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Aircraft Accident

WAHIAWA (WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD), Hawaii—Two Soldiers were killed as a result of a helicopter hard landing at approximately 3:30 p.m. today on the airfield at Wheeler Army Airfield.

The two Soldiers were the only individuals on board the OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopter and were conducting a general maintenance test flight.

The names of the deceased are being withheld until 24 hours after the families of the victims have been notified.

Our prayers and condolences are with the families of the pilots.

The cause of the accident is under investigation.

We will release more information as it becomes available.