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## **Pohakuloa Training Area Re-opened to Hunting**

**POHAKULOLOA TRAINING AREA, Hawaii** — Army officials are opening approved hunting areas, here, for bird hunting, Jan. 9-10.

Bird hunters must check in and out at the Department of Army police post, across the PTA main gate. Check in begins at 5 a.m., and latest check out is 7 p.m.

Hunting has been temporarily suspended at Pohakuloa, since Dec. 18, due to an incident involving vandalism, theft and destruction of government property. Although the incident is still under investigation, the Army is lifting the suspension for bird hunters, taking into consideration the limited amount of time left in the bird-hunting season.

“We will continue to work with the Department of the Army police, in cooperation with state agencies in order to finalize the investigation in a timely manner,” said Lt. Col. Warline Richardson, PTA commander. “Subsistence and sport hunting is deeply rooted in Hawaii’s history, and we regret that it was interrupted due to wanton theft and vandalism.”

Hunting guidelines and updates on the temporary hunting suspension are available by calling the PTA Hunters’ Hot line at (808) 969-3474.

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