

## Media Release

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## **PTA Wildfire Continues to Burn**

**POHAKULOA TRAINING AREA (PTA), Hawaii**— The wildfire at the U.S. Army's Pohakuloa Training Area continues to spread northeast of Saddle Road and has now engulfed between 600-1000 acres. It remains uncontained and Saddle Road is closed in the vicinity.

Currently four helicopters are being used, along with equipment and crews from the PTA Fire Department, Hawaii County, and the state's Division of Forestry. Four bulldozers are cutting firebreaks in order to contain the blaze, with a fifth arriving today.

The fire began sometime approximately 9:30 a.m. Sunday about a 1/4 mile east of PTA's main gate in the vicinity of Mauna Kea State Park. No Army training activity was taking place on the eastside of Saddle Road at that time.

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