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Temporary Hunting at PTA this Weekend

POHAKULOA TRAINING AREA, Hawaii — U. S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Command will open portions of the training area, here, to local archery hunters this weekend, Dec. 17-18, in a continuing conservation initiative to eliminate the wild goat and sheep population in PTA conservation areas.

Licensed hunters will be issued temporary hunting passes and maps at designated check-in/check-out stations beginning at 5 a.m. and check-out no later than 7 p.m. on both days.

The Kilohana hunter check-in/check-out station has been relocated between mile marker 43 and 44 on Saddle Road. The Huluhulu hunter check-in/check-out station is located across from the Mauna Kea and Saddle Road junction, near mile marker 28. Check-in stations will be monitored by State of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources personnel.

Archery mammal hunting is restricted to training areas 1-4.

No fire arms, ATV's, dirt bikes or any recreational vehicles will be allowed with the temporary access. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages will be allowed in the training or hunting areas.

Big Island hunters are being encouraged to monitor the PTA Hunter's Hotline at 969-3474 or click on the following link http://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/pta/default.htm.