



Community Announcement

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Aircraft noise advisory for central Oahu

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Hawaii – Central and south central Oahu residents may experience an increase in noise, mid-January through the end of the month, as aircraft assigned to the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, 25th Infantry Division arrive on island following the unit's yearlong deployment to Afghanistan.

More than 60 aircraft, ranging from OH-58 Kiowas, UH-60 Black Hawks, and CH-47 Chinooks will fly a route from Pearl Harbor's West Loch area and head north along the west side of Kunia Road toward Wheeler Army Airfield.

The aircraft are scheduled to fly as early as Jan. 18 and may continue until Jan. 29. Aerial aircraft convoys typically move in groups of no more than three.

Aircraft will fly only during daytime hours and will avoid heavily populated areas when possible.

Flight plans are subject to change due to weather conditions. However, the aircraft will stay at or above 1,500 feet, when possible, to lessen potential noise impacts on the surrounding community.

The routes and procedures comply with Federal Aviation Administration regulations.

"The returning aircraft represent a great capability coming back to the State of Hawaii, as the 25th CAB will again be here to assist the local government with fire control, medical evacuation, and search and rescue operations," Lt. Col. Derrick Cheng, 25th Infantry Division Public Affairs added. "We appreciate the community's understanding, and we will do our best to mitigate the effects."

To report concerns related to noise, community members can call the Army's designated noise concern line at (808) 656-3487. The USAG-HI Public Affairs Office responds to all reported concerns during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.