



O'ahu Training Lands: Timeline to Date

- Aug. 15, 1964 The State of Hawai'i and the federal government execute multiple 65-year leases for Army training areas on O'ahu, including approximately 1,515 acres at Mākua Military Reservation (MMR), as well as parcels at Kahuku Training Area (KTA) and Kawaihoa-Poamoho Training Area (Poamoho).
- 1970s-2000s Community and environmental groups raise concerns about training activities, particularly at Mākua. Legal challenges result in restrictions on live-fire training and requirements for cultural site access and environmental studies.
- 2001 A settlement agreement requires the Army to conduct an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Mākua and to allow cultural access under certain conditions. Live-fire training at Mākua remains suspended.
- 2015-2020 The Army continues training activities at Kahuku and Kawaihoa-Poamoho while expanding community engagement and cultural consultation. Conservation partnerships are developed to protect native species and mitigate wildfire risks.
- July 2022 The Army publishes its Draft EIS for the retention of State-leased training lands on O'ahu. Alternatives include retaining portions of KTA and Kawaihoa-Poamoho while not pursuing lease renewal at Mākua.
- May 16, 2025 The Army releases its Final EIS for O'ahu training lands.
- June 27, 2025 The Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) rejects the Army's Final EIS for O'ahu.
- Aug. 4, 2025 The Army releases its Record of Decision (ROD) for O'ahu training lands.
- Aug. 20, 2025 Secretary Driscoll issues a letter to Gov. Green outlining the Army's need to reach a new framework on military land leases in Hawai'i by the end of this year.
- Aug. 16, 2029 The Army's leases for its use of State-owned training lands at Kahuku Training Area, Kawaihoa-Poamoho Training Area, and Mākua Military Reservation expire.