



U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers
Honolulu District



Fact Sheet

Restoration Advisory Board

November 2010

Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Waikane Training Area Waikane Valley, District of Koolaupoko, Island of Oahu, Hawaii

BACKGROUND

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District will be pursuing environmental restoration activities as part of the Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP)/Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) at the former Waikane Training Area. Zapata Incorporated has been contracted to perform the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) and Environet Inc. contracted to accomplish Removal Actions and Support Functions for the former training area.

The RI/FS will characterize the nature and extent of munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) contamination at the required munitions response site (MRS) for the purpose of developing and evaluating effective remedial alternatives. A Proposed Plan and Decision Document will be prepared and submitted for review and approval.

The Removal Action will remove and dispose of MEC and munitions debris (MD) found on selected project sites. A removal report will be prepared and submitted for review providing a detailed accounting of all MEC and components encountered.

WHAT IS A RAB?

The RAB is an advisory body designed to act as a focal point for the exchange of information between Honolulu District and the local community regarding restoration activities. The RAB is intended to bring together community members who reflect the diverse interests within the local community, enabling the early and continued two-way flow of information, concerns, values and needs between the affected community and the Corps' District. RAB members will be asked to meet regularly to review and comment on technical documents and plans relating to the ongoing environmental studies and restoration activities at the former Waikane Training Area. Members will be expected to serve as a liaison with the community and be available to meet with community members and groups. Membership terms will be decided by the RAB. All RAB meetings will be open to the public. Technical support staff will be available to provide informational support and explanation to RAB members.

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HOW TO BECOME A RAB MEMBER

Community members interested in finding out more about the RAB are invited and encouraged to attend an informational meeting. The Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District will conduct a meeting on November 3, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. At the meeting, you will learn about the purpose of the RAB, membership opportunities and responsibilities, and hear the status of restoration activities and future plans. RAB membership application forms will be available at the community meeting. The community meeting will be held at the following address:

Waiahole Elementary School Cafeteria
48-215 Waiahole Elementary School
Waiahole, Hawaii
Wednesday, November 3, 2010, 6 p.m.

If you have questions about the RAB or are interested in applying for RAB membership, community interest forms may also be obtained by contacting:

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1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 928
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814
Phone: 808-955-6088
Fax: 808-942-1851
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Building 252, Attention: CEPOH-PP-E
Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440
Phone: 808-438-1232
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All Community Interest Forms must be received by **Friday, December 4, 2010**. Forms will be reviewed by the selection panel who will recommend approvals to the Honolulu District Commander. The selection panel will be coordinated and organized by the Honolulu District's Public Affairs Officer and Formerly Used Defense Site Project Manager. The selection panel members shall include representatives from the Corps of Engineers Honolulu District, state and community, as appropriate.

COMMUNITY EXPECTATIONS

Community members are expected to serve as volunteers on this RAB to provide advice to the decision-makers about restoration plans for this FUDS project only.