



ACUB Fact Sheet

U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii



Background

US Army Garrison, Hawaii (USAG-HI) is an essential power projection platform for the Pacific theater, due to its minimal westerly deployment time.

USAG-HI sub-installations include the Schofield Barracks and Pohakuloa Training Area training range communities (~161,786 acres) and its principal function is as a training center for soldiers of the 25th Infantry Division (Light). In addition to the 25th Infantry Division (Light), USAG-HI training areas support other Army, Army Reserves, US Marines, and Hawaii Army National Guard units stationed in Hawaii. Occasionally, other US forces stationed in the Pacific Region also use USAG-HI training areas.

The Kahuku Training Area (KTA) is an important training range essential for maintaining the military readiness of the 25th Infantry Division (Light). It supports a wide variety of battalion level mission-essential training scenarios. KTA borders several parcels of land that if developed would encroach on the Army's ability to train. If developed, these areas would likely infringe on the training capability of KTA due to complaints from noise, dust, and over flight helicopter activity.

Objective

USAG-HI supported by other services in Hawaii (Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Navy Station Pearl Harbor, and Hickam Air Force Base) initiated ACUB efforts to partner with state agencies and local conservation and land trust organizations in 2004. The Hawaii ACUB Team is reviewing several properties located on the island of Oahu that border the Army's training sites. The preferred parcel is

located on the North Shore of Oahu adjacent to the KTA. Other parcels on the island are also being evaluated for consideration.

Partners

The Trust for Public Land

The Trust for Public Land is a national, nonprofit, land conservation organization that conserves land for people to enjoy as parks, community gardens, historic sites, rural lands, and other natural places, ensuring livable communities for generations to come. For further information on the Trust for Public Land, call 404 873-7306 or visit <http://www.tpl.org/>.

North Shore Community Land Trust

The North Shore Community Land Trust is a grassroots organization dedicated to protecting open space on the North Shore of Oahu. For further information on the North Shore Community Land Trust, call 808-638-0338 or visit <http://www.northshoreland.org/>.

State of Hawaii

In May 2005, the Hawaii legislature approved the Legacy Land Act to provide \$3.5M in annual funding for land conservation. The possibility of federal participation in buffer initiatives was a key motivator behind this state commitment. For further information on the State of Hawaii, Department of Natural Resources, call 808-587-0400 or visit <http://www.hawaii.gov/dlnr/>.

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