

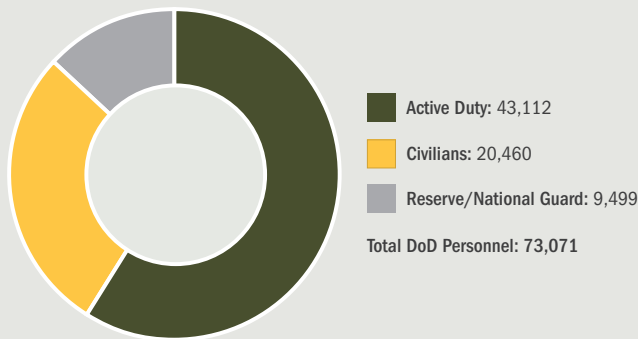
OVERVIEW

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, the state of Hawai'i received \$10.0 billion in Defense spending, which provides direct funding for the Department of Defense (DOD) personnel salaries, defense contracts, and construction of military facilities in the state. This spending by DOD personnel, contractors, and their families creates significant economic activity, attracts related industries and investments, and generates important state and local government tax revenues.

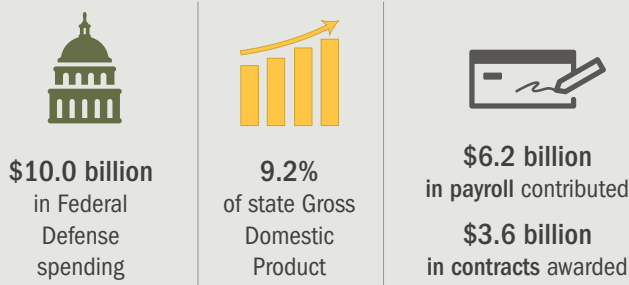
The Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program is a key tool used by DOD and its partners to protect the military's ability to train, test, and operate in the state. The Department created the REPI Program in response to the development of lands and loss of habitat in the vicinity of or affecting its installations, ranges, and airspace that can lead to restrictions or costly and inadequate training and testing alternatives. Through the REPI Program, DOD works with state and local governments, conservation organizations, and willing private landowners to address these challenges to the military mission and the viability of DOD installations and ranges. The REPI Program has benefited from broad bipartisan support both in the U.S. Congress and among groups representing state and local officials. From FY 2006 through FY 2024, DOD and its partners have contributed nearly \$182.2 million to REPI projects supporting six installations in Hawai'i.

DOD IN HAWAI'I

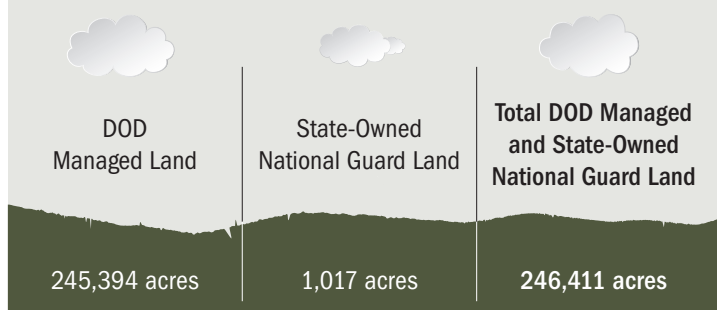
DOD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2023)



Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact
 (in FY 2023)

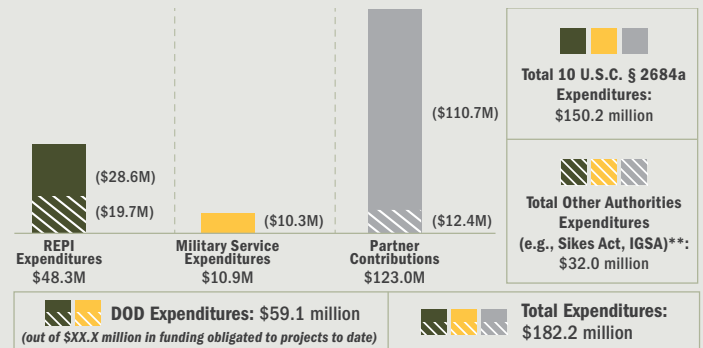


Acres of DOD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land (as of 30 Sep 2023)



ANNUAL REPI PROJECTS* IN HAWAI'I

Funding Summary (from FY 2006 through FY 2024)

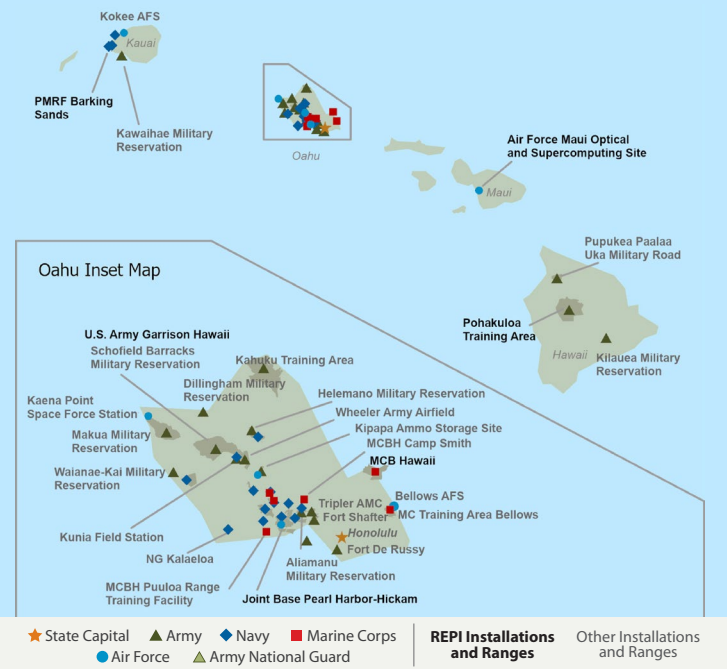


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* REPI projects refer to any action authorized by 10 U.S. Code (U.S.C.) § 2684a to include the acquisition of real property interests in land from willing landowners to prevent incompatible development or improve military installation resilience.

** In addition to the real property transactions reported here, this project has expended REPI funds under authorities other than 10 U.S.C. § 2684a, including natural resources management activities under 10 U.S.C. § 2679, also known as Intergovernmental Support Agreements (IGSA), or 16 U.S.C. § 670c-1, commonly referred to as the Sikes Act.

Total Acres Protected (FY 2006 through FY 2024): 15,830



MILITARY PRESENCE

- U.S. Army Garrison – Hawai‘i is responsible for the day-to-day operations and services offered at 22 Army installations and sub-installations on the islands of O‘ahu and Hawai‘i, and includes a workforce comprised of **more than 820 civilian employees**.
- **Hawai‘i is the only location in the world hosting the headquarters for the largest U.S. combatant command (USINDOPACOM)**, the Pacific component commands for the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force, and combat ready land, sea, and air forces.
- Hawai‘i’s population includes **more than 116,800 veterans**, of which nearly 17,000 are military retirees; this represents 11% of Hawai‘i’s population.
- The Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard is **Hawai‘i’s largest industrial plant**, employing more than 4,600 engineers and skilled technicians to service naval surface ships and submarines based in Hawai‘i, and responding to emergency repair calls throughout the Pacific.
- The Pacific Missile Range Facility on Kaua‘i is the **world’s largest multi-dimensional testing and training range**, and it is the only range in the world where submarines, surface ships, aircraft, and space vehicles can train and be tracked simultaneously.

ANNUAL REPI PROJECTS

Installation	County	Congressional District
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	Honolulu	1st, 2nd
Marine Corps Base Hawai‘i	Honolulu	2nd
PMRF Barking Sands	Kaua‘i	2nd
U.S. Army Garrison Hawai‘i with Pōhakuoa Training Area	Honolulu and Hawai‘i	2nd

For all REPI Project Profiles visit: www.repi.mil/BufferProjects/ProjectList.aspx



Soldier overlooks the O‘ahu National Wildlife Refuge, adjacent to the Army’s East Range, during a field exercise near Schofield Barracks. Training across a myriad of landscapes is critical for soldiers to improve their capabilities as jungle experts for America’s Pacific Division.

Key REPI Partners

- Bishop Museum
- Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
- Hawai‘i Agribusiness Development Corporation
- Hawai‘i Association of Watershed Partnerships/ University of Hawai‘i
- Hawai‘i Conservation Alliance
- Hawai‘i Department of Land and Natural Resources
- Hawai‘i Invasive Species Committees
- Hawai‘i Land Trust
- Kāko‘o ‘Ōiwi
- Kekaha Agricultural Association
- Kua‘āina Ulu ‘Auamo
- MA‘O Organic Farms
- Maui County
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- North Shore Community Land Trust
- Office of Hawaiian Affairs
- Parker Ranch
- Trust for Public Land

**This list includes but is not limited to the partners in the list above*

Data Sources

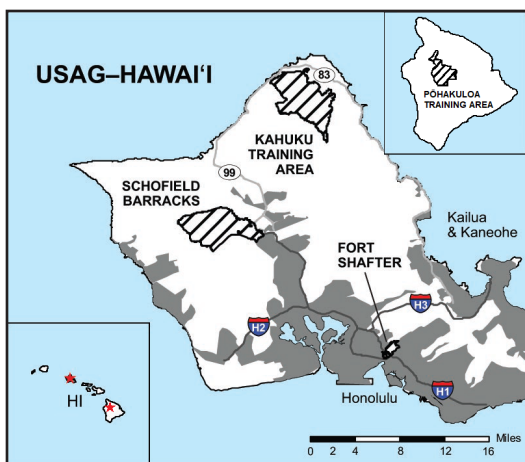
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- **For Land Information:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment, Real Property, Business Systems & Information Directorate: “Base Structure Report – FY24 Baseline” (as of 30 Sept 2023)
- **For Federal Spending and Personnel Information:** Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation: “Defense Spending by State – Fiscal Year 2023”: www.oldcc.gov/dsbs-fy2023
- **For REPI Projects Information:** “2025 REPI Report to Congress”: www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2025RTC.pdf



U.S. ARMY GARRISON-HAWAII WITH PŌHAKULOA TRAINING AREA

An important platform for the Pacific theater, U.S. Army Garrison–Hawaii (USAG-HI) can quickly mobilize soldiers in support of combat operations and disaster relief missions.

The Army’s ability to station, train, and deploy the 2/25th Stryker Brigade Combat Team in Hawaii is essential to our nation’s defense transformation. Land conservation actions protect the Schofield Barracks, the Pōhakuloa Training Area (PTA), and the Kahuku Training Area (KTA), where diverse indigenous species populations reside near critical training areas.



To protect USAG-HI and neighboring habitats, its partners have undertaken various projects with shared benefits over the past several years. In a key success on the lush O’ahu North Shore, a broad coalition of partners—including community and environmental groups and state and Federal agencies—preserved Pūpūkea

Paumalu, a vast swath of beach-front open space slated to become a residential development. Another project is working to mitigate wildfire risk on state lands with an emphasis on firebreak development and road improvements on lands adjacent to the Army installations.

Additionally, the partners worked together to protect the habitat-rich 3,592-acre Honouliuli Preserve, a lowland forest on the eastern slope of the Wai’anae Mountain Range. The preserve contains 35 threatened and endangered species, including the endangered O’ahu ‘elepaio, and 16 species found nowhere else in the world. Altogether, the installation’s efforts are protecting not just valuable open space and habitat, but also drinking water resources, tourism, and recreational resources, all while ensuring the vitality of USAG-HI’s defense mission.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Supports existing regional planning efforts
- Provides habitat for endangered species
- Helps improve water quality

MILITARY

- Preserves live-fire and ground maneuver training capacity
- Preserves training realism by preventing the need for workarounds
- Prevents the loss of training days



A mortar team prepares to fire a round from a 120mm mortar system at Pōhakuloa Training Area, Hawaii (top). Military training is conducted across USAG Hawaii ranges and installations, such as Schofield Barracks (bottom).

KEY PARTNERS

- AES Hawaii, LLC
- Bishop Museum
- City and County of Honolulu
- Coastal Conservation League
- County of Hawaii
- Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
- Hawaii Land Trust
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- North Carolina Coastal Federation
- North Shore Community Land Trust
- Pacific American Foundation
- State of Hawaii Agribusiness Development Corporation
- State of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources
- The Trust for Public Land
- U.S. Department of Agriculture – Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service

CONTACT

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FAST FACTS FROM FY 2006 THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: In Progress

Authority	Transactions	Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended
10 U.S.C. § 2684a	7	13,157	\$123 million

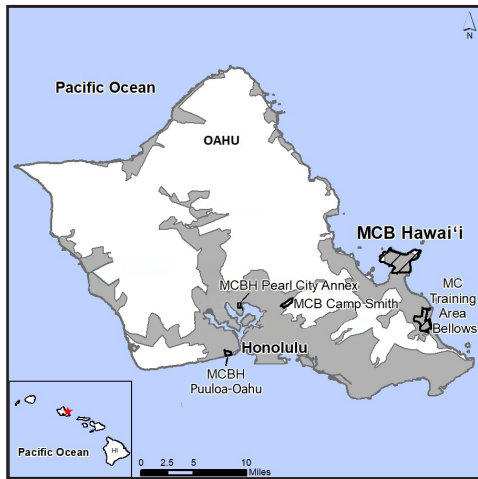
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MARINE CORPS BASE HAWAII

Consisting of seven properties on O’ahu and one on Moloka’i, Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) encompasses all United States Marine Corps installations in the Hawaiian Islands.

MCBH is home to the only Marine Corps training areas and ranges between the West Coast of the United States and Japan. Due to the scarcity of training area in the Hawaiian Islands, MCBH’s air station is also heavily used by other Military Services. The installation manages three training areas that provide specific land, air, sea, and



amphibious training capabilities to assist the U.S. and foreign Military Services in preparing for diverse operations, including large-scale joint operations.

Over 50 percent of the range complex is moderately to severely impacted by development pressures. The urbanization of O’ahu and increased pressure to convert agricultural land to residential areas are predicted to lead to limited working lands and increased noise complaints. Additionally, increased development of wind turbines and solar farms have presented disturbances to

surrounding communities, threats to endangered species, and military training obstacles. Through this REPI project, MCBH aims to improve partnerships with Native Hawaiian organizations, preserve and improve local habitats, and facilitate greater connection with the community in Hawaii through enhanced knowledge and preservation of natural and cultural resources. Shared goals and benefits include reduced noise disturbances and enhanced working lands.

MCBH will ensure a holistic approach toward stated goals through increased education and engagement with encroachment partners, local land planning agencies, and state agencies.



Army Sgt. Mikael Marcial competes in the Best Warrior competition in Waimanalo, Hawaii (top). An Army CH-47 Chinook helicopter flies toward Bellows Air Force Station, Hawaii, during Exercise Rim of the Pacific, providing a unique training opportunity (bottom).

KEY PARTNERS

- City and County of Honolulu
- Kua’āina Ulu ‘Auamo
- North Shore Community Land Trust
- State of Hawaii Agribusiness Development Corporation
- State of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources
- Trust For Public Land

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Provides habitat for endangered species
- Protects working lands that benefit the local economy

MILITARY

- Reduces the potential for lost test and training days and the need for less-realistic workarounds
- Protects live-fire training capabilities
- Increases operational safety

CONTACT

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FAST FACTS THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: Initiated

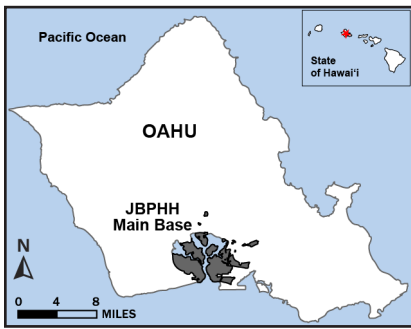
Transactions	Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended
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JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) is a strategic hub for both Air Force and Navy operations in the Pacific region and supports various tenant commands and activities.



As part of JBPHH's REPI Program, Wahiawā Annex is a facility that provides satellite-based, telephone and data communication services from antennas on the island of O'ahu, which directly support the warfighter and other government missions globally. Antennas for low-earth orbiting satellites require 360 degree, clear view angles from five degrees above the horizon, meaning any development and tall obstructions on adjacent parcels can create community

disturbances, harm surrounding indigenous habitats, and negatively impact the Department of Defense and Navy's mission.

The lands surrounding the Wahiawā Annex are former farmlands owned by Dole Food Company, which wanted to divest itself of these parcels. Even partial obstructions on property to the south of the Annex compromise the quality and efficiency of transmitting and receiving the large volumes of voice and data communications required by the Wahiawā Annex mission. Through REPI, the Navy is working with the Trust for Public Land to protect these surrounding lands from development pressures.

After acquiring the property, the Trust for Public Land will limit building heights and convey the land to the State of Hawai'i for agricultural production. These efforts bolster state plans to jump-start farming and support needed agribusiness on O'ahu. This project provides the additional benefit of maintaining undeveloped lands underneath an overflight area for operations from the nearby Wheeler Army Airfield, multiplying its value to DOD and the entire region. Additionally, this project is improving water security by enhancing groundwater recharge into the Pearl Harbor aquifer, which supplies water to the installation and the surrounding communities. Erosion control measures will be implemented as well to reduce the volume of runoff into the aquifer, improving the water quality for several threatened and endangered species.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Preserves open space and agricultural land
- Recharges water supply for surrounding communities
- Supports ongoing regional planning efforts
- Bolsters the local economy

MILITARY

- Protects communication antennae against obstructions and electromagnetic interference
- Improves operational security and reduces trespassing on military lands
- Prevents flight operations from additional noise complaints



Nearby pineapple fields and other agricultural lands (top), surround and protect the Navy's state-of-the-art Mobile User Objective System satellite dishes and narrowband tactical satellite communications system for improved ground communications for U.S. forces on the move (above).

KEY PARTNERS

- City and County of Honolulu
- MA'O Organic Farms
- State of Hawai'i Agribusiness Development Corporation
- State of Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources
- State of Hawai'i Division of Forestry and Wildlife
- The Trust for Public Land

CONTACT

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FAST FACTS FROM FY 2017 THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: In Progress

Authority	Transactions	Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended
10 U.S.C. § 2684a	8	2,409	\$27.0 million
Other (e.g., Sikes Act, IGSA)	-	-	\$24.4 million
TOTAL	8	2,409	\$51.4 million

Subtotals may not sum to combined totals due to rounding



PACIFIC MISSILE RANGE FACILITY BARKING SANDS

The U.S. Navy's Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF), located along the west coast of Kaua'i Island, is the world's largest instrumented multi-environment range.



PMRF provides premier training and testing capabilities within an 1,100-square nautical mile instrumented underwater range; 42,000 square nautical miles of airspace; and, when needed, up to 2.1 million square nautical miles of operating space. PMRF is capable of simultaneously supporting surface, subsurface, air, and space operations. Portions of the 7-mile terrestrial footprint also provide premier training and testing opportunities. Infrastructure critical to ensuring

that testing and training activities carried out at the installation are safe and effective (i.e. outdoor night lighting, communication towers, utility lines) can result in impacts to seabirds protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), such as the 'a'o, or Newell's shearwater.

In an effort to improve the ecological baseline for these protected seabirds, PMRF is working proactively with Federal, state, nonprofit, and private conservation organizations to implement landscape-level predator control at an important breeding colony site within Kaua'i's remote Honopū Valley. The project will include the placement of artificial burrows, monitoring of colony productivity, predator and invasive species removal, and a native plant restoration component to sustain a healthy ecosystem. By creating a habitat for indigenous species to be protected and monitored off-base, PMRF is also able to carry out its mission safely and effectively. This unique project is part of a larger, multi-partner effort that leverages existing species recovery plans and an island-wide predator control program, and will contribute significantly to efforts to reverse currently declining population trends.



Aerial view of Pacific Missile Range Facility Barking Sands (top). Pacific Missile Range Facility is working with partners to establish predator-exclusion fencing around one of the last remaining breeding colonies for the 'a'o/Newell's shearwater, 'ua'u/Hawaiian Petrel, and 'akē'akē/band-rumped storm-petrel (bottom).

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Protects threatened and endangered species
- Brings together new partners

MILITARY

- Improves operational safety
- Prevents additional training restrictions and unrealistic workarounds

KEY PARTNERS

- American Bird Conservancy
- Archipelago Research and Conservation
- City and County of Kaua'i
- Coastal Conservation League
- Hallux Ecosystem Restoration
- Hawai'i Division of Forestry and Wildlife
- Hawai'i Division of State Parks
- Kaua'i Island Utilities Commission
- Kekaha Agriculture Association
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Natural Resources
- North Carolina Coastal Federation
- Pacific Rim Conservation
- State of Hawai'i Agribusiness Development Corporation
- State of Hawai'i Department of Land and
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service—Kaua'i National Wildlife Refuge Complex

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FAST FACTS FROM FY 2019 THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: Initiated

Authority	Transactions	Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended
10 U.S.C. § 2684a	—	—	—
Other (e.g., Sikes Act, IGSA)	1	264	\$7.6 million
TOTAL	1	264	\$7.6 million

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