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## **USACE hosts public meetings for WMA Program munition response sites Sector 16 and 17**

**FORT SHAFTER, Hawaii**, (Oct. 18, 2023) - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, responsible for managing restoration efforts at the Former Waikoloa Maneuver Area, South Kohala, Island of Hawaii, is holding two public meetings Wednesday, Oct. 25 to present the remedial investigation plans for Munitions Response Sites Sector 16 and Sector 17.

**Sector 17 A-F, Project 21:** Oct. 25 at 10 a.m. at the Mauna Kea Resort, Kauna'oa Ballroom (62-100 Kauna'oa Drive, Kohala Coast, HI 96743) *A virtual option is available.*  
(See attached map)

**Sector 16 A-E, Project 20:** Oct. 25 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Waimea Elementary School Cafeteria (67-1225 Hawai'i Belt Rd. Waimea, HI 96743) *A virtual option is available.*  
(See attached map)

During this phase of the CERCLA process, contracted field teams will be collecting data to determine the nature and extent of munitions use. Activities will include vegetation clearance to facilitate access and use of digital geophysical mapping and handheld metal detectors. Hand digging of potential items may be necessary in some areas which may require resident evacuations. USACE and contract representatives will present details on the remedial investigation schedule and methodology. Representatives from Hawai'i Department of Health and the contractor will also be available to answer questions. The public is encouraged to attend in-person or online.

A link to the online meeting format and access instructions will be posted here:  
<https://poh.usace.afpims.mil/Missions/Environmental/FUDS/Waikoloa.aspx>

**To attend online:** <https://usace1.webex.com/meet/richard.h.tanaka>

Select the "Join from your browser" or "Join as a guest"

**To join by phone:** +1 (844) 800-2712

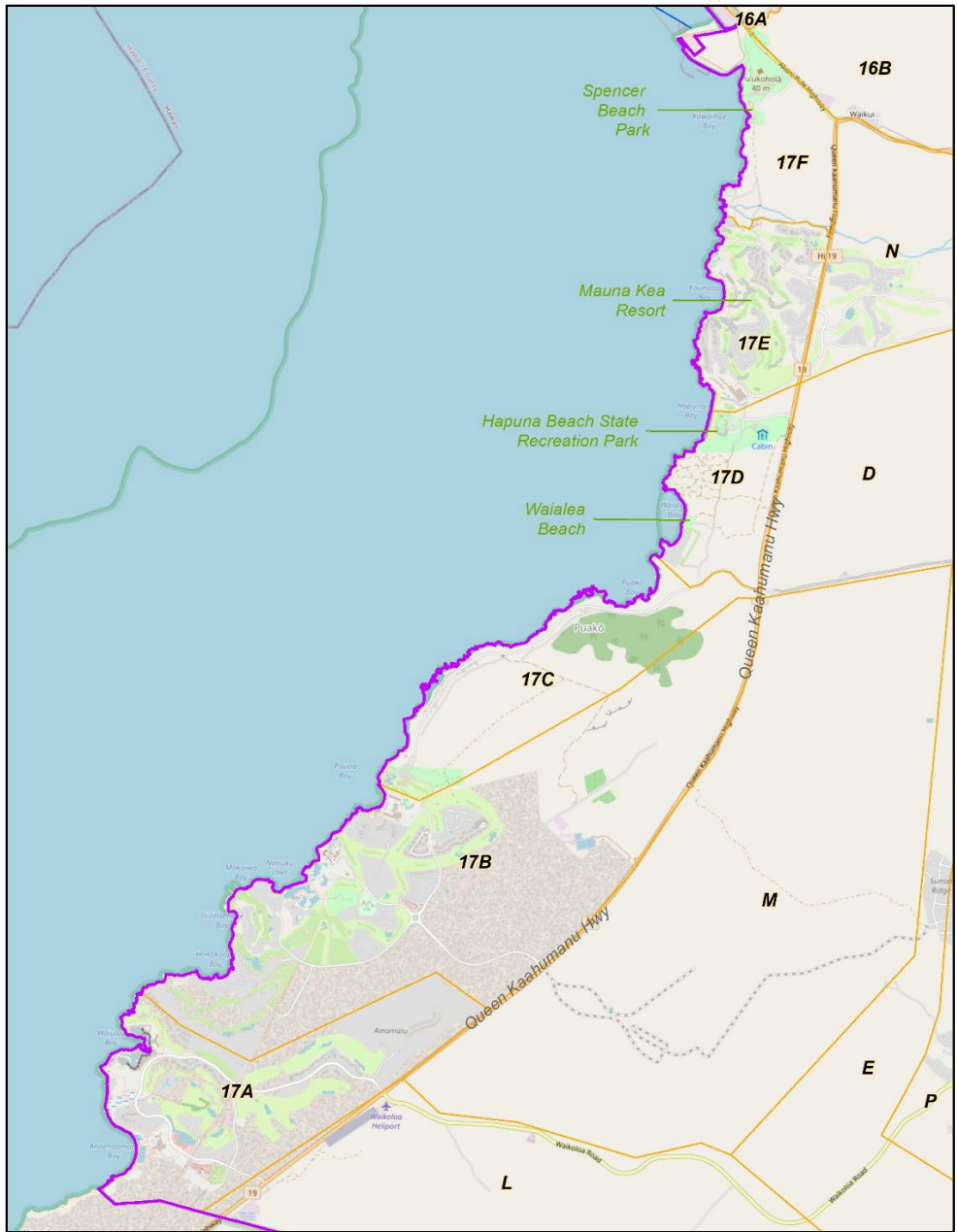
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**For questions regarding the meeting or project, contact:**

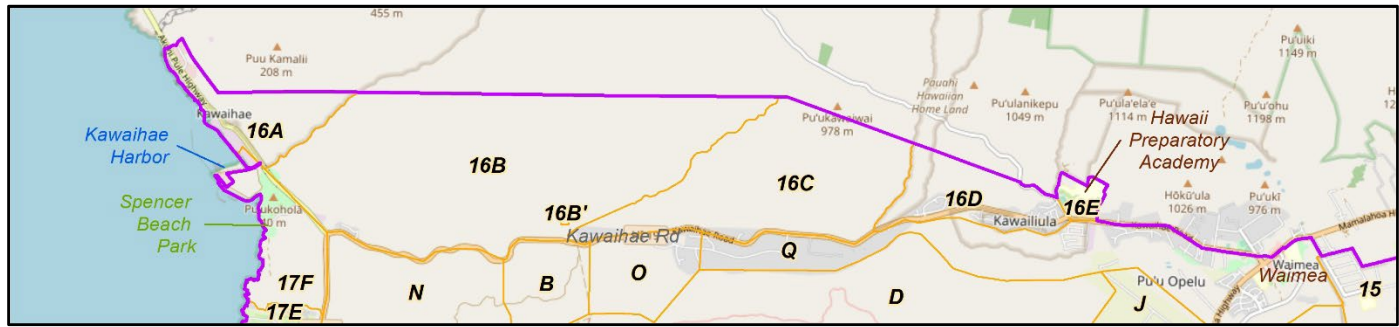
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*ABOUT: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for the cleanup of properties eligible under the Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) Program under the direction of the Department of the Army and the Department of Defense. Together in consultation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and in partnership with state agencies USACE is making progress at the WMA and is committed to the environmental restoration of lands due to past DoD activities. A list of FUDS properties within the state of Hawai'i can be found at [www.fuds.mil](http://www.fuds.mil).*

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**Sector 17 Map:**  
 Sector 17 A-F, Project 21, a Formerly Used Defense Site, is 6,874.6 acres in the western area of the Former Waikoloa Maneuver Area, bounded to the west by the Pacific Ocean, to the east by Queen Ka’ahumanu Highway, to the north by Kawaihae Road, and extends south to Anaeoomalu Bay.



**Sector 16 Map:**  
 Sector 16 A-E, Project 20 a Formerly Used Defense Site, is 6,600.9 acres in the northwest section of the WMA adjacent to Kawaihae Road which forms the southern boundary. The northern boundary is the Kohala foothills. The western extent is at Kawaihae Harbor and the Pacific Ocean to the east the town of Waimea.

