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Upcoming Events

- **Drinking Water Info Booth:** July 14 at JBPHH Newcomers Fair, JBPHH Memorial Chapel, 1600 Frederick St., from 1-1:30 p.m.* Base access required
- **Medium Landing Ship Homeporting Public Meeting:** July 13 at Oahu Veterans Center, Ballard Hall, 1298 Kukila St., from 4-7 p.m.



4th of July Fireworks at JBPHH Illuminate Night Sky

More than 20,000 spectators turned out to watch the night sky over Pearl Harbor come alive with a stunning fireworks show celebrating the United States' 250th birthday and Independence Day. The 15-minute pyrotechnic display powered by 2,500 fireworks was the highlight of the annual celebration at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam that featured games, a petting zoo, custom rides, giveaways, food and entertainment.

2026 Annual

Water Quality Report Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Water System

(Waianae, Navy Aiea-Haalea & Red Hill Sources)

This report meets federal and state requirements for Consumer Confidence Reports. This report is updated annually and reflects monitoring data collected from Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2025.

The Navy is pleased to provide you with this year's annual Water Quality Report for the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Drinking Water System.

This pamphlet provides information about the water delivered to you during the 2025 calendar year. It gives information on where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to established standards for safe drinking water.

All drinking water for JBPHH comes from the Waianae Shale during this reporting period.

The Navy's goal is to provide you with safe and dependable drinking water.

Water Provider

Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii operates the water system servicing your area. As the Navy water provider in the State of Hawaii (State), we primarily supply water to military installations and housing.

Drinking Water Standards

To protect public health, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the number of certain contaminants in tap water provided by public water systems. The

Potential Contaminants

Contaminants are any physical, chemical, biological, or radiological substance or matter in water.

Contaminants that may be present in your source water include:

Microbial contaminants - such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants - such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or burning.

Pesticides and herbicides - which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential use.

Organic chemical contaminants - including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radionuclide contaminants - which can be naturally occurring

2026 Annual Water Quality Reports Available for Review

The Navy's 2026 Water Quality Reports, also known as Consumer Confidence Reports, were published last week and confirm that water provided to consumers from water systems on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH), Camp Stover, Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific, and Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) on Kauai is safe to drink and meets all applicable federal, state, and Navy regulations and requirements. The reports can be viewed on the JBPHH and PMRF websites.



USS Illinois Successfully Undocks at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility successfully undocked Virginia-class fast-attack submarine USS Illinois (SSN 786) on June 24, completing an important milestone in the submarine's scheduled lifecycle maintenance period. Undocking signifies the completion of major hull and foundational work, bringing the submarine closer to returning to its mission. Undocking is a 10- to 12-hour process that involves flooding the dry dock, removing massive structural gates, and guiding the submarine into open water.



Largest Advanced Manufacturing Demonstration at RIMPAC 2026

The Naval Postgraduate School's (NPS) Consortium for Advanced Manufacturing Research and Education is supporting Exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2026 with what is described as the largest advanced manufacturing demonstration ever conducted by the U.S. Department of War. NPS students, faculty and partners will deploy advanced manufacturing systems aboard ships and at locations across Hawaii to produce replacement parts, support distributed logistics, and evaluate new technologies designed to improve fleet readiness.



Italian, Peruvian Commanding Officers Reunite During RIMPAC

Two Naval officers who graduated together 19 years ago reconnected during Exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2026. In 2002, Midshipman Eder Arnaldo Suclla Ardiles from the Peruvian Navy, joined the Italian Naval Academy as part of an international training program. Also attending the program was Midshipman Antonio Bufis from the Italian Navy. The two officers graduated in 2007. Commander Bufis now has command of ITS Giovanni delle Bande Nere and Commander Suclla Ardiles serves on the RIMPAC staff.



On This Day: July 8, 1920

The USS South Carolina (BB-26) and the USS Michigan (BB-27) tie up to the 1010 pier at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard. Both ships were visiting Pearl Harbor with a contingent of midshipman aboard conducting a training cruise, including visits to the West Coast ports of Seattle, San Francisco, San Pedro, and San Diego. The photo at left is one of the earliest taken of the newly operational naval base at Pearl Harbor.



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