



# NAVY RAPID RESPONSE TEAM

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The Navy's Rapid Response Team (RRT), together with the Drinking Water Long-Term Monitoring (LTM) team, sample water from the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) drinking water system to determine whether water meets state and federal drinking water standards. Please call the JBPHH Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at **808-449-1979** if you would like to request testing.



## RAPID RESPONSE PROCESS

**STEP 1:** The resident calls the EOC with a water concern. The EOC takes the resident's information and provides this to the RRT.

**STEP 2:** Within 24 hours, the RRT contacts the resident to gather additional information and to schedule a date and time to collect samples. The RRT will also schedule sample collection for the Drinking Water LTM team. Bottled water is also offered for the resident's household - 1 to 2 gallons of bottled water per person/pet each day.

*Rapid Response testing screens for total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in gasoline (TPH-g) and in diesel (TPH-d). LTM testing screens for TPH-g, TPH-d, and TPH-o (in oil), and more than 60 other drinking water analytes.*

**STEP 3:** On the scheduled date, the RRT and the LTM team visit the home to inspect the drinking water and collect drinking water samples. The Navy continues to offer bottled water to the resident.

**STEP 4:** Samples collected by the RRT are sent to the Navy lab on-island, which typically returns results within 24 hours. Samples collected by the LTM team are sent to a lab certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency off-island the same day samples are collected, with a typical turnaround time of 14 days.

**STEP 5:** The Navy lab processes Rapid Response samples and, once results are received, a member of the RRT informs the resident.

**STEP 6:** The Navy continues to offer bottled water until LTM results are provided to the resident. Once results are provided, and results demonstrate the water meets all federal and state safe drinking water standards, bottled water is discontinued.

Our highest priority is the health of our people, families, neighbors, and the island of Oahu.