



RED HILL

HIGHLIGHTS

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New Webpages Coming Soon

In response to community feedback, Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill will launch two new webpages. These pages will enhance the public's ability to access information on the Navy's drinking water well reactivation plans and additional drinking water resources.

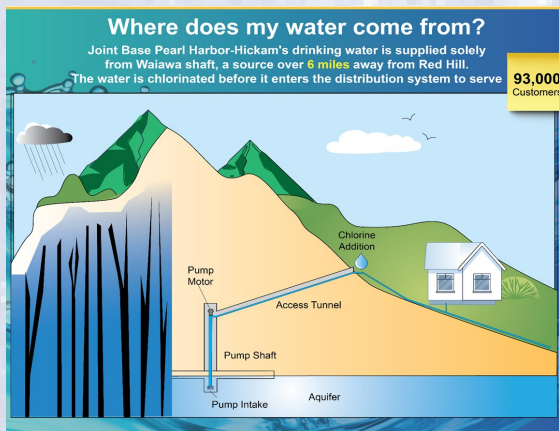
Look for these upcoming changes on [the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Safe Waters website](#).

JBPHH Drinking Water Production Wells: Status Update

The Navy has three source water wells that supply drinking water to the base—Red Hill, Waiawa, and the Navy Aiea-Halawa shafts. Two of the shafts—Red Hill and Navy Aiea-Halawa—were disconnected from the JBPHH system in November and December 2021.

Since December 2021, all drinking water supplied to the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) drinking water system comes solely from the Navy's Waiawa Shaft.

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill continues working with regulators to fulfill requirements to reactivate the disconnected shafts and restore water resiliency, which will help manage water service and pressure of the system in the event of a water line break.



NCTF-RH Methodically Manages Testing, Disposal of Tank Cleaning Wash Water

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill has a deliberate process in the management, testing and disposal of wash water generated from pressure washing which is part of [the four-step tank cleaning process](#).

Per a Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) permit, wash water is tested for a full spectrum of analytes beyond the normal hazardous waste characterization required by the Environmental Protection Agency. Wash water consists of approximately 1% fuel and 99% wash water.

Once the wash water is tested, NCTF-RH oversees the transport of it to a DOH-approved disposal facility on island where it is managed in accordance with their permit.





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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY Draft Environmental Assessment Red Hill Water Treatment Facility

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the Draft
Environmental
Assessment](#)



Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the United States Department of the Navy (the Navy) gives notice of availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and requests public comment on the proposed construction and operation of a new water treatment facility to reconnect water from the Navy's Red Hill Shaft to the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) drinking water system and discontinue the discharge of water into Halawa Stream. The Proposed Action would include the construction of a new, permanent water treatment facility and the associated utilities, infrastructure, and site improvements, as well as the connection of an interim, modified granular activated carbon (GAC) water treatment facility that is currently under installation at Red Hill to the Navy drinking water system. Both the permanent water treatment facility and the interim water treatment facility would treat water from the Red Hill Shaft to meet National Primary Drinking Water Regulations and State of Hawaii Department of Health Safe Drinking Water Standards. The Navy anticipates the project would result in less than significant impacts on the quality of the human or natural environment.

The Draft EA is available for public review and download at the following website: <https://pacific.navfac.navy.mil/About-Us/National-Environmental-Policy-Act-NEPA-Information/>. Hard copies of the Draft EA are available for review at the Aiea Public Library and the Hawaii State Public Library.

Written comments on the Draft EA may be provided by mail to: ATTN: Red Hill Water Treatment Facility EA Project Manager, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Hawaii/EV21, Building 55, 400 Marshall Road, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, HI 96860-3139, or by email: RedHillEA@hhf.com. **Written comments must be received or postmarked by April 20, 2025 to be considered in the Final EA.**

[Click here to submit comments](#)



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UPCOMING EVENTS: FTAC (April 9) | Ewa Neighborhood Board (April 10)