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**STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS**

P. O. BOX 1879
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December 3, 2014

(Lessee Name)

Subject: Notification of Possible Uncleared, Unexploded Ordnance at
Kuhio Village; Puukapu Agriculture and Pastoral Lots; Lalamilo;
and Kawaihae Residence Lots

Aloha mai Kakou:

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands invites you to an informational community meeting that will be held on December 16, 2014, at Kuhio Hale, 64-759 Kahilu Road in Waimea, at 6:30 p.m., to discuss the potential presence of unexploded ordnance in the areas of Puukapu, Kuhio Village, Lalamilo, and Kawaihae Residence Lots. Representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be available to answer questions and provide important safety information regarding unexploded ordnance.

The Puukapu, Kuhio Village, Lalamilo, and Kawaihae Residence Lots homesteads are within the boundary of the 100,000-acre, formerly used defense site known as the Waikoloa Maneuver Area. The Waikoloa Maneuver Area encompasses the vast majority of the district of South Kohala. As of September 30, 2014, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have cleared unexploded ordnance from approximately 27,200 acres within the Waikoloa Maneuver Area. As with many of the lands that have been conveyed to the department, complete disclosure of prior uses and the potential for ongoing issues have not been shared as a condition of transfer. While we are unsure of the full extent of impacts due to previous uses, we will continue to pursue a complete assessment of the lands to determine their ability for use by this department and the native Hawaiian beneficiaries we serve.

As a precautionary measure to ensure the safety of you and your family, the department has chosen to do the following:

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- Offer relocation to those lessees who make such a request;
- Record this information on lease documents as transfers, successorships, etc. as they take place; and,
- Continue to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine next steps.

In the meantime, you should exercise caution on your lot, especially when performing ground-disturbing activities. Should you come across suspected unexploded ordnance on your lot, contact 911 immediately. Please do not attempt to remove or dispose of such objects yourself. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Niniau Simmons, NAHASDA Manager, at Niniau.Simmons@hawaii.gov, or by telephone at (808) 620-9513.

We hope you will make time to attend and participate in this informational meeting.

Aloha,



Jobie M. K. Masagatani, Chairman
Hawaiian Homes Commission

c: Mr. David Kaapu,
West Hawaii Commissioner

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December 4, 2014

(Lessee Name)

Subject: Notification of Possible Uncleared, Unexploded Ordnance at Makuu Farm Lots

Aloha mai Kakou:

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands invites you to an informational community meeting that will be held on December 18, 2014, at Keaau Community Center, 16-186 Pili Mua Street, Keaau, at 6:30 p.m., to discuss the potential presence of unexploded ordnance in the area of the Makuu Farm Lots and the recent lava flow activity. Representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be available to answer questions and provide important safety information regarding unexploded ordnance.

The Makuu Farm Lots are located in a formerly used military target site known as "Popoki." As with many of the lands that have been conveyed to the department, complete disclosure of prior uses and the potential for ongoing issues have not been shared as a condition of transfer. While we are unsure of the full extent of impacts due to previous uses, we will continue to pursue a complete assessment of the lands to determine their ability for use by this department and the native Hawaiian beneficiaries we serve.

As a precautionary measure to ensure the safety of you and your family, the department has chosen to do the following:

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In the meantime, you should exercise caution on your lot, especially when performing ground-disturbing activities. Should you come across suspected unexploded ordnance on your lot, contact 911 immediately. Please do not attempt to remove or dispose of such objects yourself. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Niniau Simmons, NAHASDA Manager, at Niniau.Simmons@hawaii.gov, or by telephone at (808) 620-9513.

We hope you will make time to attend and participate in this informational meeting.

Aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jobie M. K. Masagatani", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jobie M. K. Masagatani, Chairman
Hawaiian Homes Commission

c: Mr. Wallace Ishibashi,
East Hawaii Commissioner