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PTA to open several training areas for bird hunting this weekend

POHAKULOA TRAINING AREA, Hawaii – Army officials are opening several training areas for bird hunting, here, Jan. 11-12, from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Training areas 2, 10 and 11 will be open to shotgun bird hunting only. The use of shotgun slugs is not permitted. Hunting is subject to state hunting rules and bag limits.

All hunters must check in and check out at one of the following hunter's check-in stations: Kilohana, located on Saddle Road between mile markers 43 and 44, or Pu'u Huluhulu, located at the intersection of Mauna Kea Access Road and Saddle Road near mile marker 28. Check out time is no later than 7:30 p.m. each day.

Hunting passes will be provided at the check-in stations beginning Friday after 5 p.m. These passes must be signed and placed on the vehicle's dashboard. Hunters who do not have a signed hunting pass on their dashboard will be barred from hunting for 30 days.

Hunter access to training area 2 is through gates 1-5, and access to training areas 10 and 11 is through gates 1-6.

Parking is allowed in designated areas only. Firearms, alcoholic beverages, all-terrain vehicles, dirt bikes and/or recreational vehicles are not allowed in the training and hunting areas.

For more information, call (808) 969-2411, or visit www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/pta and click on the "Hunting" tab, or refer to instructions on the hunting pass.