



NEWS RELEASE

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TRANSITION OF COMMAND OF THE MILILANI MAUKA WILDFIRE

UPDATE: The Mililani Mauka Incident Management Team has suspended operations at the wildland fire above Mililani Mauka due to impending darkness. The fire continues to burn in a remote, mountainous area with steep, dangerous terrain on private lands and within the O'ahu Forest National Wildlife Refuge. The fire is 90% contained; only isolated smoldering pockets remain. At this time, there have been no reports of injuries. For the duration of the incident, no evacuations or threats to structures and homes are expected.

The majority of the involved area is within the O'ahu Forest National Wildlife Refuge, managed by the U.S. Fire and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Due to diminished fire activity and no current threat to the Mililani Mauka community, command of the incident will transition from unified command with Honolulu Fire Department to the USFWS.

The HFD is committed to serving and protecting the community and will, thus, remain available to support the USFWS if the fire situation changes.

The significant progress that has been made in the mitigation of the incident is due to the collective effort of Federal, State and City agencies. Mahalo to all of our partner agencies and community for their continued support.

This will be the last news release distributed by the Honolulu Fire Department for the Mililani Mauka Wildfire. Please direct all future media inquiries for this incident to 2023.mililani@firenet.gov or visit inciweb.nwcg.gov



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