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**Kailua (Oahu) and Marine Corp Base Hawaii Recognized as StormReady and TsunamiReady**



Kailua (Oahu) Representatives



Marine Corp Base Hawaii Representatives

On Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012, the National Weather Service Forecast Office in Honolulu recognized Kailua and Marine Corp Base Hawaii as both StormReady and TsunamiReady. The ceremony was the capstone on more than one year of effort by the communities. The ceremony included dignitaries from the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii State Civil Defense, the Marine Corp, and both the Hawaii State Senate and House of Representatives.

Both the Marine Corp Base and Kailua both met the standards set forth by the National Weather Service’s StormReady/TsunamiReady program. In addition to ensuring weather and tsunami alerting and dissemination equipment was in place, each group enhanced community preparedness and action plans.

This recognition ceremony doesn’t signal the end to the efforts made by the community groups. In fact, their tremendous work has laid the groundwork for increased safety, awareness, and hazard resilience for years to come. The NWS would like to especially thank Hawaii State Civil Defense and the City and County of Honolulu Department of Emergency Management for their support and expertise throughout the process.

Kailua represents the first city recognized as StormReady and TsunamiReady in the Pacific, while Marine Corp Base Hawaii is the second military installation recognized in the Pacific. Currently, all of the counties in Hawaii are recognized.

