



DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

## Media Advisory

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### **NFL TEAMS UP WITH LOCAL AND NATIONAL PARTNERS TO "GREEN" PRO BOWL**

#### **TREE PLANTING TO HELP HAWAI'I'S ENVIRONMENT, HONOR VETERANS**

**WHEN:** Friday, February 8, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

**WHAT:** DEUCE LUTUI, NFL Hawai'i Ambassador and Arizona Cardinals guard, will assist community groups and volunteers in planting more than a dozen large trees, native hibiscus and gardenias at the O'ahu Veterans' Center. The native trees were selected for their environmental benefits. The trees will also provide much needed shade at the Veterans' Center. There will be a traditional Hawaiian blessing of the trees.

**WHERE:** The Oa'hu Veterans Center is located at 1298 Kukila Street, Honolulu 96818 – a few blocks from Aloha Stadium.



**WHO:**        **DEUCE LUTUI**, NFL Hawai'i Ambassador and Arizona Cardinals guard  
                  **JACK GROH**, Director, NFL Environmental Program  
                  **BRANDI CRABBE**, Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.  
                  **STATE REPRESENTATIVE** and House Minority Leader Lynn Finnegan  
                  **GREG SEVERINO**, Paradise Landscape Maintenance Inc.  
                  **WAYNE OGASAWARA**, Mililani Agriculture Park  
                  **CHRIS HUDNALL**, HISCO Inc.

**SANDY BALLARD**, Executive Director, O'ahu Veterans Center  
**MARK MOSES**, Executive Director, State Office of Veterans' Services  
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**MILITARY VETERANS**

**VOLUNTEERS** from Tripler Army Hospital and ROTC students from the Air Force, Army, Navy and Marines.

More information

NFL officials and community volunteers will also plant trees at the Salvation Army Family Treatment Center in Kaimuki (845 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave.) on Thursday, Feb. 7, 10:00 a.m.

The National Football League has teamed up with numerous local and national organizations to address to support the environment. Partners include Department of Land and Natural Resources' Kaulunani Urban and Community Forestry Program; Friends of Hawai'i's Urban Forest; the U.S. Forest Service; Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Paradise Landscape Maintenance, HISCO, Inc. The Home Depot Foundation and RBF Consulting (Irvine, CA).

In addition to planting trees, other “green” practices will be used at Aloha Stadium and at the NFL Tailgate Party. Prepared, but unserved food from Pro Bowl events will be given to local shelters. Beverage containers will be recycled in the stadium parking lot on game day.

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