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**SHORELINE CLEAN-UP PLANNED AT FORMER SKEET RANGE IN KAILUA**

HONOLULU – The public is invited to an informational meeting being presented by The Hawai'i State Department of Health, Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response (HEER) Office and the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) regarding the former Honolulu Skeet Club (Kaimalino Beach) lead shot removal project. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Aikahi Elementary School Cafeteria, 281 Iliha Street in Kailua on Oahu.

The former Honolulu Skeet Club operated as a skeet shooting range between mid-1930 and 1970 on the area now known as the Kailua Bay Estate subdivision. A recent study conducted by the HEER Office revealed that lead shots appear intermittently along the sandy areas of the beach and in the coral tide-pools. Because the shots pellets could pose a risk for children who consume them, the HEER Office and DLNR are planning a cleanup. The lead shot cleanup plans include employing a sluice box separator in the sandy walkway areas and the use of a shop-vac for the rocky tide-pools.

"The shoreline at Kaimalino Beach is a popular recreation area that's enjoyed by the neighbors," said Keith Kawaoka, manager of the DOH Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response Office. "This joint agency response will reduce the likelihood that any children playing along the shoreline will encounter pellets that could harm them." Kawaoka has made this effort a priority. For more information, please contact the Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response Office at 586-4249.

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