

# Notice of Availability of the Hawaii-Southern California Training and Testing Final Environmental Impact Statement/ Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS)



The U.S. Navy has completed a Final EIS/OEIS that analyzes the potential environmental impacts from proposed training and testing activities beginning in late 2018 conducted within the Navy's Hawaii-Southern California Training and Testing (HSTT) EIS/OEIS Study Area. The completion of the Final EIS/OEIS follows years of research, analysis, and public involvement.

## Proposed Action

The Navy proposes to conduct training and testing activities within the HSTT EIS/OEIS Study Area. These activities include the use of active sonar and explosives while employing marine species protective mitigation measures. Proposed training and testing activities are similar to the types of activities that have occurred in the Study Area for decades and are generally consistent with those analyzed in the 2013 Final EIS/OEIS and earlier environmental planning documents. The Navy follows strict guidelines and employs protective measures while training and testing to reduce effects on marine species.

The Proposed Action is needed to accomplish the Navy mission to maintain, train, and equip combat-ready naval forces capable of winning wars, deterring aggression, and maintaining freedom of the seas.

The Final EIS/OEIS will be available to the public for 30 days beginning **Oct. 26, 2018**. You can access the Final EIS/OEIS in several ways:

Visit [www.HSTTEIS.com](http://www.HSTTEIS.com) to view a copy.

View the document in California at the Coronado, San Diego Central, and Long Beach public libraries, and in Hawaii at the Lihue, Kahului, Hilo, Kailua-Kona, and Hawaii State (Oahu) public libraries.

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## Public Involvement

The Navy is committed to keeping the public informed. The Navy obtained public input at several stages and held eight public meetings throughout Hawaii and in San Diego. The Final EIS/OEIS includes responses to the public comments received during the Draft EIS/OEIS public review and comment period. Regulations provide for a 30-day wait period after the Final EIS/OEIS is published before the Navy may take action.