# Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Response Update November 1-14, 2015

#### Detections

- On Base (All DOD property on O'ahu; including Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPH-HI))
  - 59 adults/0 larvae detected of 2133 adults/1135 larvae total detected since 12/23/2013.
- Off Base:
  - 2 adults/0 larvae detected of 949 adults total detected since 12/23/2013.

# • Surveillance

- > 1 CRB adult and possible larvae were found during recent palm trimming in the Ewa Beach/Iroquois Pt. area.
- > 3 CRB damaged coconut palm were confirmed in the Nanākuli area.
- > 3 trees were removed in the Barber's Point area. No CRB adults or larvae were recovered.
- Over 2,700 CRB traps are currently in active service on Oahu.

## Mitigation

- Five Air curtain burner (ACB) units are fully operational at Barber's Point NAS (2 units) and Māmala Bay Golf Course (3 units).
- > Two 40 cubic-yard In-vessel composting (IVC) units are fully operational at Kuntz Gate, JBPH-HI.

# Research

- > A CRB Research Center lab is being prepared at UH Mānoa with a projected occupancy date of January, 2016.
- Siting is being finalized for traps with experimental lights.
- Research is currently underway to better understand the cyclic nature of weekly, monthly, and annual trap capture rates.

### Beetle Fact

Ecology: Plants killed by O. rhinoceros provide additional breeding sites for future generations (Moore, 2007).

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