

Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Response Update
January 24 – February 6, 2016

- **Detections**
 - On Base (All DOD property on O‘ahu; including Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH))
 - 20 adults/0 larvae detected of 2290 adults/1135 larvae total detected since 12/23/2013.
 - Off Base:
 - 2 adults/0 larvae detected of 966 adults total detected since 12/23/2013.
- **Surveillance**
 - A palm survey is underway in the Nanakuli along with 21 new traps deployed in the area.
 - A palm survey and observation of tree-trimming activity was completed at Barber’s Point Golf Course.
 - 32 new traps were deployed on the Pearl City Peninsula after an assessment of extensive green waste site observed there.
 - Investigation into possible breeding sites continues within established buffer zones.
 - Over 2,740 CRB traps are currently in active service on O‘ahu.
- **Mitigation**
 - A social media campaign to build public awareness was launched by the Hawai‘i Invasive Species Council (HISC) on Instagram (@HISC808).
- **Research**
 - A CRB research center is being prepared at UH Manoa with an anticipated completion date of February, 2016. Site inspections and permits must be obtained before it can be used.
 - Research is still underway to better understand the cyclic nature of weekly, monthly, and annual trap capture rates.
- **Beetle Fact**
 - Gressit (1953) states that *O. rhinoceros* prefers tall, mature palms, but when lacking will attack young palms.

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