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Marine Corps Base Hawaii cancels BayFest due to Tropical Storm Ana

MARINE CORPS BASE HAWAII - BayFest, Oahu's premier family festival--scheduled for October 17-19--has been cancelled due to emergency preparations in advance of Tropical Storm Ana. Tropical Storm Ana is currently tracking a direct path to hit the Hawaiian Islands this weekend.

As Ana trends toward hurricane strength, the safety of military and civilian personnel is the first priority of Marine Corps Base Hawaii. As the state of Hawaii readies for its second large-scale storm this hurricane season, MCB Hawaii must prepare for emergency operations, as needed, on base and throughout the state.

For 22 years, the mission of BayFest has been to foster and enhance relations between the military and civilian communities, and MCB Hawaii looks forward to hosting BayFest again in future years. MCB Hawaii is now shifting focus from the planning and execution of a community relations event, to planning emergency support for on-base personnel and their families, as well as the neighboring community, should it become necessary.

Pre-purchased tickets will be refunded. For refund information, call Information, Tickets and Tours at 254-7563. Visit the BayFest website www.bayfesthawaii.com for updates and information.