



NAVY

Hawaii-Southern California Training and Testing EIS/OEIS

Proposed Action and Alternatives

Proposed Action

To conduct military training and testing activities including the use of active sonar and explosives, within existing Navy range complexes around the Hawaiian Islands and off the coast of Southern California.



Military readiness requires specialized locations where personnel can learn, through practical hands-on experience, the skills necessary to effectively plan, conduct and succeed in combat. It is necessary for the U.S. Navy to test new and existing equipment in an environment where it will be used.



Purpose of and Need for the Proposed Action

To achieve and maintain Fleet readiness by conducting military training and testing activities to:

- ◆ Meet the requirements of Title 10 of the U.S. Code
- ◆ Attain compliance with applicable environmental authorizations, consultations and other requirements

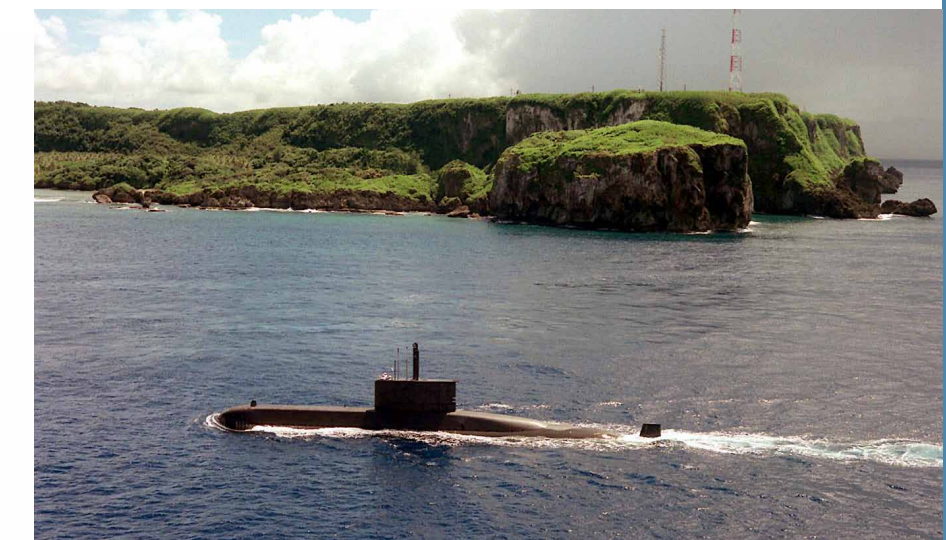
Evaluating the Alternatives

No Action Alternative –
Continues current (baseline) training and testing activities and force structure requirements



Alternative 1 –
The No Action Alternative, plus:

- ◆ Adjustments to study area boundaries
- ◆ Updates and/or adjustments to locations and levels of current activities
- ◆ Changes to training and testing requirements necessary to accommodate:
 - Force structure changes
 - Development and introduction of new vessels, aircraft and weapons systems



Alternative 2 –
Alternative 1, plus:

- ◆ Increased levels of training and testing activities
- ◆ Additional range enhancements and infrastructure requirements

