



# United States Department of the Interior



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
Pacific West Region  
Pu'uhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park  
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IN REPLY REFER TO

10D PUHO-VRP  
Closure Order #20-003  
July 10, 2020

Closures, restrictions and public use limits:

Closure Order – Portions of the park area: Under the authority provided to the Superintendent in 36 CFR 1.5, the following areas, programs and facilities are closed, effective immediately, until further notice and in addition to those areas previously closed in the Superintendent's Compendium for closures prior to the Covid-19 pandemic.

- Coastal Access Road and parking lot
- Day use picnic area
- Ranger led programs
- A Monday-Thursday closure of all paved parking lots and associated access roads.
- A Monday-Thursday closure of the park Visitor Center with the exception of restroom facilities.

Notice: This administrative order applies to all individuals subject to the regulatory authority of the National Park Service (NPS) within the boundaries of Pu'uhonua o Hōnaunau NHP, including park visitors, government employees, concession employees, park residents and stakeholders, except as follows: law enforcement rangers, facility and resource management staff, cooperators, partners and permit holders authorized by the park Superintendent or designee.

Individuals identified in the above exceptions must adhere to current federal, state and local public health directives regarding social distancing, gathering size and sanitation practices in order to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Finding: The NPS issues this administrative order for the purposes of maintaining public health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic emergency. This order is primarily consistent with the following state and federal public health directives and guidance:

- National Guidelines from the Office of the President "Opening Up America Again" <https://www.whitehouse.gov/openingamerica/>
- Memorandum from the Acting Director of Office of Management and Budget: "Aligning Federal Agency Operations with the National Guidelines for *OpeningUp America Again*". April 20, 2020 <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/M-20-23.pdf>

- The CDC's Guidelines "Get the Facts About Coronavirus"<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- Hawai'i Governor March 4, 2020 Proclamation relating to COVID-19<https://governor.hawaii.gov/emergency-proclamations/>
- Hawai'i Governor June 10th, 2020 Ninth Supplementary Proclamation<https://governor.hawaii.gov/emergency-proclamations/>
- County of Hawai'i Mayor's June 26th COVID-19 Emergency Rule No.9<https://www.hawaiicounty.gov/our-county/county-news>

These directives require the NPS to take the actions identified above because:

- Public health directives require social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19. Allowing visitors in confined areas and facilities where crowds would likely violate the requirement that persons stay at least 6 feet from each other.
- Public health directives allow gatherings of up to 10 persons with a maximum of 50 people indoors, and 100 people outdoors, provided that physical distancing and safe practices can be maintained.
- Public health directives state that, non-exempt, individuals traveling from outside the state of Hawaii shall quarantine for 14 days.

This order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until further notice. The effectiveness of this order will be assessed on an ongoing basis and will be modified or removed when conditions warrant.

Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Superintendent Date