

KUAOKALA / MOKULEIA AREA

Note to Mountain Bikers: Always yield to hikers, and do not slide around corners or slide down the trail. This damages the trail and causes erosion. If accidents are reported or damage to the trail is extreme, the trail will be closed to mountain bikes.

1. Kuaokala Trail (2.5 mi/4.0 km)

Getting There: Drive up the Waianae coast toward Kaena Point on Farrington Highway until you get to Yokohama. Turn right and check in with your permit at the security guard station. Proceed up the road until you get to the intersection with the second guard shack on the left. Turn right at the stop sign and proceed past the Kaena Point Tracking Station. Once past the tracking station, the road curves to the left and you will pass another intersection on the right. Adjacent to the next intersection is a large dirt parking area. Park in this dirt parking area located to the left of the paved road that descends down into Manini Gulch. The trail starts directly to the right side of the road.

Route: The trail contours the left side of the ridge, leads into a saddle, and then continues by traversing the ridge. The route proceeds along Makua Rim. The trail then goes down along a row of lemon gum eucalyptus and up again until it gets to a dirt road intersection. The right intersection leads to Mokuleia Forest Reserve. The left intersection takes you along a dirt road, down a gulch, up the other side and goes along a ridge. Keep taking the left route at any intersections you encounter. It will finally take you down into Manini Gulch, and becomes paved on the final climb back up where you will return to the large dirt parking area.

Other: A permit is needed to access this trail via the Kaena Point Satellite Tracking Station (KPSTS), and this permit is issued by the Division of Forestry and Wildlife. This trail traverses a public hunting area. Caution should be exercised when hiking.

2. Kuaokala Access Road (7.3 mi/11.75 km)

Getting there: Drive on Farrington Highway until you get to Yokohama Bay. Turn right and check in with your permit at the security guard station. Proceed up the road until you get to the intersection with a second guard shack on the left. Turn right and go past the Kaena Point Tracking Station. The road curves to the left and you pass another intersection on the right. The next intersection you encounter will be on the right and is the road that leads down to Manini Gulch.

Route: Turn right on this road, once you reach the bottom it will shift from a paved road to a dirt road. The road will turn left approximately 1/4 mile in. The road then turns right. Follow this road and it will lead you along a ridge, then down a gulch, and up again. The road then goes cross country to the Mokuleia Forest Reserve. It also leads you to the Mokuleia Trailhead and Peacock Flats campground.

Other: A permit is needed to access this road via the Kaena Point Satellite Tracking Station Road, and to camp at the campground. Permits are issued at the office of the Division of Forestry and Wildlife. The road traverses a public hunting area. Exercise caution when using this road. The road can be very slick during rainy weather. Again, exercise caution and common sense.

3. Mokuleia Trail (2.0 mi/3.22 km)

Getting There: Travel on the Kuaokala Access Road until you get to a paved road. Turn left until you get to the forest reserve gate. Prior to the gate, there is a road that turns right and is adjacent the Peacock Flats camping area. This road also leads to the beginning of the Mokuleia Trail.

Route: The trail goes through the Mokuleia Forest Reserve and the Pahole Natural Area Reserve (NAR) and then crosses the forest reserve boundary and goes into private land.

Other: The trail traverses a public hunting area. Proceed with caution. A permit is needed to hike this trail and is issued by the Division of Forestry and Wildlife. The Pahole NAR is a sensitive ecosystem, and the Division of Forestry and Wildlife is attempting to restore the native vegetation that occurs in this area. Before using this trail, please make sure the soles of your shoes are free of seeds. Seeds transported in this manner inadvertently spread unwanted vegetation.

4. Kealia Trail (2.3 mi/3.7 km)

Getting there: There are two ways to reach this trail. **1.** Proceed along the Kuaokala Access Road from the KPSTS. The Kealia trail is approximately 2.8 miles from the parking area and will appear on the left. **2.** From Farrington Highway, after passing Camp Mokuleia, turn left into the 3rd entrance to Dillingham Airfield. Proceed straight ahead 0.4 mi. to parking area near airfield tower. From the parking area, walk along the gravel road toward the Pali. Proceed through the gate at the fence. The trail climbs up the hill on the left.

Route: From the bottom, the trail switchbacks above Dillingham airfield. At approximately 1.0 mile the trail crests the Pali, becomes a dirt road and proceeds upward along the ridge - connecting with the Kuaokala Access Road.

Other: The bottom access is open from 7:00 AM to ½ hour after official sunset.



5. Mokuleia Access Road (3.5 mi. 5.6 km)


- * Currently, public use of this road consists only of hiking and bicycling. If the gates are open and you proceed up with a vehicle, you may be locked in.
- * Bicyclists should exercise caution. Watch for hikers, cattle, debris, "blind curves", occasionally slippery road surface, and service vehicles.
- * Bicycles are NOT allowed on the Mokuleia trail in Pahole Natural Area Reserve due to the sensitivity of the native species.
- * Hikers and bicyclists may not exit via the Kaena Point Satellite Tracking Station road. However, you may enter or exit via the Kealia trail located above Dillingham Airstrip.
- * Hunting is not allowed along the access road.
- * Stay on the access road. There is private property on both sides until you reach the top gate at the Forest Reserve boundary.
- * A permit is needed for camping at Peacock Flats campground. No fires are allowed on the ground.
- * Please report any hazards on roads or trail: 587-0166

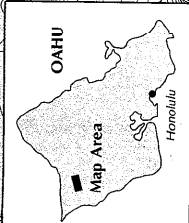
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FACILITIES

-  Camping Area
-  Shelter

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