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INCREASED ACCESS TO PEARL HARBOR NATIONAL MEMORIAL

Honolulu, HI – Following guidance from the White House, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and state and local public health authorities, Pearl Harbor National Memorial will resume access to the USS *Arizona* Memorial. The National Park Service (NPS) is working servicewide with federal, state, and local public health authorities to closely monitor the COVID-19 pandemic and is using a phased approach to increase access on a park-by-park basis.

Beginning July 10, Pearl Harbor National Memorial will resume a limited number of USS *Arizona* Memorial programs. The 45-minute program will consist of a brief orientation from NPS staff, followed by a boat ride to the memorial on U.S. Navy vessels. Although there will be fewer programs, visitors will be provided a longer duration time on the memorial to pay their respects to the fallen Sailors and Marines.

If you visit

The U.S. Navy requires the use of face coverings for all visitors while transiting to and from the USS *Arizona* Memorial. Tours will be limited to 50 people per vessel and only available by making online reservations during the early phases of reopening. To obtain tour tickets, individuals will need to make a reservation at www.recreation.gov prior to arrival and present a paper copy or digital reservation confirmation to NPS staff for validation no sooner than 30 minutes prior to their program time.

Tickets for specific tour dates will be made available in two waves: seven days prior and one day prior to the selected program date. For example, tickets for July 10 will first be available on July 3. A second group of tickets for July 10 will be available on July 9. Both releases occur at 3:00 pm HST each day.

“The service and sacrifice of Americans who have answered the call to duty is readily apparent today just as it was during World War II,” **said Acting Superintendent Kathi Palacio.** “We encourage the public to visit Pearl Harbor National Memorial and our historical partner sites to pay their respects to the thousands of Americans and their families who served, suffered and sacrificed during that fateful period in world history.”

The health and safety of our visitors, employees, volunteers, and partners continues to be paramount. At Pearl Harbor National Memorial our operational approach will be to examine each facility function and service provided to ensure those operations comply with current public health guidance and will be regularly monitored. We continue to work closely with the NPS

Office of Public Health using CDC guidance to ensure public and workspaces are safe and clean for visitors, employees, partners, and volunteers.

The [CDC has offered guidance](#) to help people recreating in parks and open spaces prevent the spread of infectious diseases. We will continue to monitor all park functions to ensure that visitors adhere to CDC guidance for mitigating risks associated with the transmission of COVID-19 and take any additional steps necessary to protect public health.

Details and updates on park operations will continue to be posted on our website <https://www.nps.gov/pearlharbor> and frequently asked questions page <https://www.nps.gov/pearlharbor/faqs.htm> along with our social media channels.

Information and updates on visiting the Pearl Harbor Historic Sites to include Pacific Historic Parks, Battleship *Missouri* Memorial, USS *Bowfin* Submarine Museum & Park and Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum can be found at www.pearlharborhistoricsites.org

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