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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 in conjunction with state and local public health authorities, Pearl Harbor National Memorial will increase access to the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center, museum and grounds. The National Park Service (NPS) is working with these entities to closely monitor the COVID-19 pandemic and will use a phased approach to increase access on a park-by-park basis service-wide.

Beginning June 19, visitors will be able to access the park's two world-class museums, wayside exhibits and enjoy a panoramic view of Pearl Harbor and the USS *Arizona* Memorial from across the harbor. The USS *Arizona* Memorial program, which provides access to the Memorial itself, will resume at a later date and will be announced by the park through an additional press release and posted on the park website and social media.

Acting Superintendent Kathi Palacio said, "As we approach the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II, we're proud to resume limited operations at Pearl Harbor National Memorial so we can continue to share the history of the events leading up to, including and following December 7, 1941 along with the stories of the brave American men and women who served, suffered and sacrificed on that infamous day. Our partner sites are poised to welcome visitors as well and we encourage the public to safely explore this critical time in American history."

The health and safety of our visitors, employees, volunteers, and partners continue to be paramount. At Pearl Harbor National Memorial, our operational approach will be to routinely examine and monitor each facility's function and service to ensure our operations comply with current public health guidance. We continue to work closely with the NPS Office of Public Health and the CDC to ensure our facilities are safe and clean for visitors, employees, partners, and volunteers.

More specific 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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