



**International Tsunami Symposium Commemorating
50th Anniversary of the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System**

**Making the Pacific Ready for the Tsunami Threat
20-21 April 2015**

NOAA Inouye Regional Center, Ford Island, Oahu, Hawaii
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International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG),
and the Government of the United States of America

**SYMPOSIUM LOGISTICS NOTE - FINAL
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INFORMATION WEB SITES

General information, including Circular Announcements are posted to the Symposium web site:

<http://itic.ioc--->

unesco.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1911:international---tsunami-symposium&catid=2153:its&Itemid=2596

Meeting documents, including presentations, abstracts, and posters are posted to the Symposium Meeting Documents web site:

http://itic.ioc-unesco.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1934:ptws-50th-meeting-docs&catid=2153:its-2015&Itemid=2596

ARRIVAL

Upon your arrival at Honolulu Airport, ground transportation is available to Waikīkī. The Speedi Shuttle is located outside of baggage claim at a cost of \$15 - \$20 at <http://www.speedishuttle.com>. Alternatively, taxi cost is about \$50 to Waikīkī.

SYMPOSIUM CHECK-IN AT THE ROYAL HAWAIIAN HOTEL (RHH) and BUS TRANSPORTATION

For all participants staying in Waikiki hotels, early symposium check-in at the RHH lobby will be available on Sunday, April 19th from 15:00 - 18:00. You will be provided a nametag, Navy base access pass, tourist information, and other symposium materials. Visit our check in table as follows:

Sunday, 19 April: 15:00 – 18:00	If possible, everyone should check in on Sunday at RHH
Monday, 20 April: 06:30 – 07:30	Buses depart promptly at 07:45 from the adjacent Sheraton Waikīkī Hotel Aloha Landing to Symposium
Tuesday, 21 April	Report directly to buses, which depart promptly at 07:45 from the adjacent Sheraton Waikīkī Hotel Aloha Landing to Symposium

Bring your passports, nametags, and Navy base access passes everyday!

Taking the courtesy bus to the NOAA Inouye Regional Center (IRC) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam (JBPHH) Military Base is **required** for international-registered participants, and highly recommended for US citizens staying in Waikīkī. *Please report by 07:30 for the 07:45 daily bus departure*, especially if you are not staying at the RHH. The IRC is located on Ford Island on JBPHH, about a 45-minute drive from Waikīkī, and requires possession of special base access passes, which will be available at check-in. Carry minimal items to the IRC due to limited auditorium theatre-style seating space. The bus will return at the end of each day after evening receptions. If you miss the bus, you will have to take a taxi at your own expense – be sure to check that the taxi driver (Charley's Taxi or The Cab) is carrying credentials to drive onto JBPHH, or you will be dropped at the entrance and have to walk about 1.8 miles (3 km) to the IRC.

For Hawaii and US participants driving themselves to Pearl Harbor, base passes will be emailed to you, which you present to the Ford Island bridge security along with a driver's license, and if asked, car rental agreement. Those with Federal CAC, military IDs, or a Gold Pass do not need a base pass. Please pick up your Name Tags at the IRC check in table on the left side of the entrance.

For registration questions, contact jacqueline.kubo@noaa.gov. For emergencies, please contact Edward.Young@noaa.gov, or his mobile phone number (+1) 808-286-3474. Texting preferred.

Note: Registration for the ICG/PTWS---XXVI is separate and independent. Please visit http://www.ioc---tsunami.org/index.php?option=com_oe&task=viewEventRecord&eventID=1598

POSTERS AND EXTENDED ABSTRACTS, AND OTHER TSUNAMI MATERIALS:

We invite you to showcase the work of your country, organization, and/or research at the Symposium. You are welcome to bring a hard copy Poster for display during the Poster Sessions, and/or an Extended Abstract (10 pages maximum) or other materials. Poster displays will be set up in the Atrium of the IRC. **Update: Poster size should be no larger than 3 feet by 4 feet.** Tables will be available where materials can be placed for distribution.

All posters and abstracts will be posted to the Symposium Meeting Documents web site, along with Symposium speaker presentations. Please advise if you are bringing a poster or handouts. We encourage you to send your files ahead of time, and preferably by 15 April, to ensure that they are posted in time for the April 20 start of the Symposium to Tammy.Fukuji@noaa.gov, with copy to Laura.Kong@noaa.gov. Posters can be dropped off at the check-in table at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel on April 19th, or the IRC check-in table on April 20th, and will be hung on foam core backing and placed on easels on Monday morning.

SYMPOSIUM DAILY SCHEDULE

The Agenda will start at 0900 each day and end between 1700 and 1730, and be followed by receptions. We are expecting about 175 persons in attendance. The Symposium will be held in the IRC Auditorium on ground floor, where seating space is limited. Wireless Internet will be available. You will have to operate your computer on the top of your lap, using battery power. Entering and exiting the IRC building will be primarily through the front doors by the security desk. Use of the rear door requires a Federal employee escort to re-enter the building. Food and beverage (except for bottled water) are not allowed in the auditorium. Bottled water is available for purchase or you may bring your own.

On Monday and Tuesday, starting at 1730, there will be a Poster and Information Session, and accompanying receptions hosted by the USDHS/FEMA National Disaster Preparedness Training Center (NDPTC) of the University of Hawaii, and the University of Washington, Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Ocean, respectively. Concurrently, a 3rd floor tours of PTWC (Pacific Tsunami Warning Center) and ITIC (International Tsunami Information Centre), and Science on a Sphere globe presentation on the ground floor will be conducted.

Bus transports back to Waikīkī will leave after the reception, arriving at approximately 20:30.

LUNCH AND MORNING TEA & COFFEE:

Complimentary morning and afternoon tea and coffee will be provided by the organizers near the cafeteria starting at 8:15 am. Do not bring food and drinks into the auditorium.

Each day, a buffet lunch will be available from the Green Tea Café. There is an option to pre-pay for lunches for April 20th and April 21st, at a cost of \$10, per day. It is highly recommended to pre-pay if possible **online with a credit card at <http://www.greentreecafehawaii.com/order-online.html> by 19 April. Please look for the green square labeled, “Tsunami Symposium,” and click twice on Monday & Tuesday Lunch.** However, lunches can also be ordered and paid with cash upon check-in Monday at 8:30 am at the IRC Symposium registration table. There are no other lunch facilities nearby.

BATHROOMS: There are two sets of bathrooms across from each other, near the cafeteria entrance.

ATTIRE:

The dress code is casual business attire (e.g., coat and tie are not needed). The climate is tropical, mostly pleasant with occasional passing showers, and the temperature ranges from 22 during the night to 29 degrees Celsius in the day (low---70s to mid---80s degree F); humidity is relatively low.