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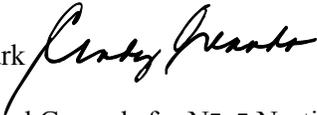
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To: All Employees and Cooperators, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park  
From: Superintendent, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park   
Subject: Temporary Closure of 'Āinahou Ranch House and Grounds for Nēnē Nesting Season

Due to the onset of Nēnē breeding season, access to the grounds of the 'Āinahou Ranch House is now restricted until nesting and gosling rearing are complete. This temporary area closure ensures that human activity does not disturb Nēnē during this sensitive time and may last until May, 2012.

The entire 'Āinahou house and grounds will be closed. No access by vehicle, bicycle, horse, or foot is allowed. Time sensitive administrative access by park staff, partners and sister agencies must first be approved by the Superintendent. All other research and discretionary maintenance should be deferred until breeding activity is complete.

Nēnē staff will keep users informed of the status of breeding activities at the house. Please contact Rhonda Loh at 985-6098 with any questions or concerns.

