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High Surf Warning issued for Kaua'i and Ni'i'hau Jan. 2 to Jan. 3

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a High Surf Warning for north- and west-facing shores of Kaua'i and Ni'i'hau in effect Jan. 2 at midnight to Jan. 3 at 6 a.m. The warning may be extended, dropped, or modified as conditions develop.

The NWS forecasts north-facing surf rapidly rising 20 to 30 feet, and west-facing shores rising 15 to 20 feet.

Entering the water in these areas during the High Surf Warning is very hazardous and could cause serious injury or death. Beachgoers are also advised to use extreme caution, as large breaking waves could make it dangerous for those standing along the shoreline.

For updated information on ocean and weather alerts, visit the NWS website, www.weather.gov/hfo.

For up-to-date information about Kaua'i ocean conditions and ocean safety, please speak to a county lifeguard at any lifeguard station, visit www.hawaiibeachsafety.com, or call the Ocean Safety Bureau at 808-241-4984.

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