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High Surf Warning issued for south-facing shores

The National Weather Service has issued a High Surf Warning for all south-facing shores of Kaua'i and Ni'ihau that is currently in effect through noon, Wednesday.

According to the NWS, a large long period south swell will bring hazardous warning-level surf to all south-facing shores overnight tonight into Wednesday. Dangerous large breaking waves of 10 to 15 feet are expected Tuesday evening, building to 12 to 16 feet overnight.

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

Additionally, a High Surf Advisory for south-facing shores will continue Wednesday afternoon through Thursday morning, with large breaking waves expected up to 10 to 14 feet.

The warning may be extended or modified as conditions develop. 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 241-4984.

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