Ordnance Found on Lava Field

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Big Island, Hawaii A civilian exploring the lava fields of Mauna Loa found an the aft end of an ordnance sticking out of the lava. Wondering if the ordnance had gone through the wall of the lava tube, the man entered the tube and saw the front end protruding through the ceiling.



After his discovery, the man met with officials from the state Department of Land and Natural Resources (CLNR) to report the find and share coordinates. DLNR reported the find to the military for technical support.

The man later told reporters following the find, "I took a photo and some video, then I got out of the immediate area." The man also told reporters that he believed the ordnance was from 1942 when the military used bombs in an attempt to divert the lava flow.