



# Wahiawā Freshwater State Recreation Area Wahiawā, Oahu

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# HISTORY

- Located in a residential community; on the Southfork of the Kaukonahua Stream
- In 1965, the State of Hawai'i received 66 acres from the US Army
- The park provided access to the freshwater fishing and outdoor recreation within a natural setting.
- 1975 Wahiawā Freshwater Park Master Plan included outdoor recreation
  - Fishing
  - Hiking
  - Biking
  - Camping
  - Boating
  - Green areas for passive recreation

# RECREATIONAL VALUE

- The only public freshwater fishing on O‘ahu
- Convenient for the nearby elderly community to exercise
- Provides a recreational opportunity for students to go fishing after school
- Provides passive recreation: walking, biking, frisbee, geocaching
- Provides recreational opportunity for nearby Lanakila Pacific, Senior Citizen Center, Wahiawa Middle School
- Opportunity for native reforestation

# CURRENT OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL USE

- Walking
- Biking
- Hiking
- Geocaching
- Nature watching
- Forest bathing
- Frisbee golf
- Fishing from the edge of the water
- Fishing and tours on the lake
- Picnic and BBQ's



# COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

- DAY AT THE LAKE event
- Fishing Tournaments
- Military participation to clean up the lake
- DAR's partnership with Wahiawa Middle School to house the fish hatchery



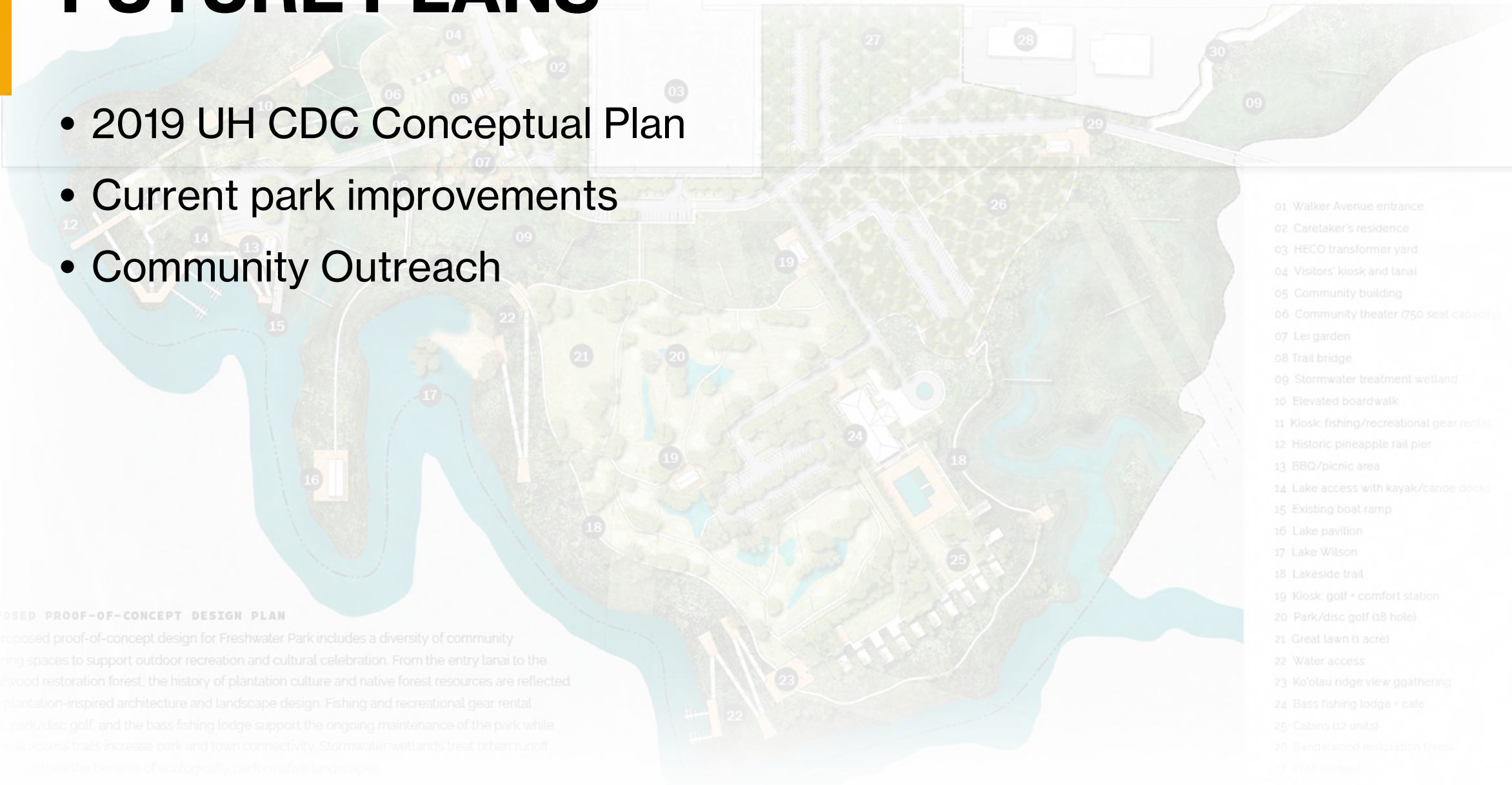
- Community Concerns:
  - Water level prevents fishing in areas around the lake
  - Safety for boats to launch at the ramp

# FUTURE PLANS

- 2019 UH CDC Conceptual Plan
- Current park improvements
- Community Outreach

## PROPOSED PROOF-OF-CONCEPT DESIGN PLAN

The proposed proof-of-concept design for Freshwater Park includes a diversity of community gathering spaces to support outdoor recreation and cultural celebration. From the entry lanai to the sandalwood restoration forest, the history of plantation culture and native forest resources are reflected in the plantation-inspired architecture and landscape design. Fishing and recreational gear rental kiosk, park/disc golf, and the bass fishing lodge support the ongoing maintenance of the park while the trail access trails increase park and town connectivity. Stormwater wetlands treat urban runoff and demonstrate the benefits of ecologically performative landscapes.

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- 01 Walker Avenue entrance
  - 02 Caretaker's residence
  - 03 HECO transformer yard
  - 04 Visitors' kiosk and lanai
  - 05 Community building
  - 06 Community theater (750 seat capacity)
  - 07 Lei garden
  - 08 Trail bridge
  - 09 Stormwater treatment wetland
  - 10 Elevated boardwalk
  - 11 Kiosk fishing/recreational gear rental
  - 12 Historic pineapple rail pier
  - 13 BBQ/picnic area
  - 14 Lake access with kayak/canoe docks
  - 15 Existing boat ramp
  - 16 Lake pavilion
  - 17 Lake Wilson
  - 18 Lakeside trail
  - 19 Kiosk golf • comfort station
  - 20 Park/disc golf (18 hole)
  - 21 Great lawn (1 acre)
  - 22 Water access
  - 23 Ko'olau ridge view gathering
  - 24 Bass fishing lodge • cafe
  - 25 Cabins (12 units)
  - 26 Sandalwood restoration forest
  - 27 Fruit orchard

# MAHALO

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