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Persons interested in obtaining additional information should contact the Office of Environmental Quality Control at 550 Halekauwila Street, Tani Office Building, Room 301, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813 or call 548-6915.

ANTICIPATED EISS

Kaneohe Civic Center (site selection); Kalaniana'ole Hwy. Transportation Corridor; Puuloa Interchange Park (General Plan Amendment); Quarry at Kailua-Kona; Wailuku-Alenaio Watershed; Realignment of a Segment of the Monoapiilani Hwy., Kahana, Maui.

EIS NEWSLETTER, III-4

REQUEST FOR DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENTS AND NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS

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Office of the Governor
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EIS REGISTER

Environmental Impact Statements listed herein are available for public review at the following depositories: Office of Environmental Quality Control; State Main Library; State Archives; DPED Library; Bishop Museum Library; Legislative Reference Bureau Library; State Kaneohe, Pearl City, Hilo, Kailuku, and Lihue Regional Libraries. Statements are also distributed to State Libraries that are in proximity to the site of a proposed action (indicated with project description).

Due to limited request, Negative Declarations are available only at this Office.

DETERMINATIONS
NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS

1. Consolidation and Resubdivision of State Lands at Ft. Ruger, Kapahulu, Oahu - Dept. of Land and Natural Resources

This project involves the consolidation and resubdivision of parcels 18, 27, and 30 of TWK 3-1-42 into 2 parcels of approximately 2.2 and 4.3 acres. Both parcels will be leased on a long term basis, the smaller to the School for Retarded Children and the larger to the Variety Club School and the Special Education Center. These organizations will submit EIS's prior to commencement of construction on the site.

2. Commercial Fishing Vessel Moorings, Piers 15-18, Honolulu Harbor - Dept. of Transportation

Proposed project includes the replacement of Piers 16 and 17, demolished several years ago, to provide additional mooring space for commercial fishing vessels. The project will be divided into 2 phases. Phase I, scheduled for 1975, includes the construction of a 36' x 445' pier (Pier 17) and a 28' x 116' roadway between this pier and the existing Pier 18. A backup area at Pier 18 will also be constructed and one of 2 sheds at Pier 18 will be demolished. Pile driving will be required to provide support for the pier and roadway, but no dredging will be done. Phase II, to commence when the need arises, includes dredging the basin to a depth of -20'. (Water depth between Piers 15-18 originally averaged 20' and 30'; present depth, as a result of siltation from Nuuanu Stream

3. Liholiho Street Bridge Over
Makiki Ditch, Makiki, Oahu,
Hawaii - Dept. of Public
Works, City & County

varies from 5' to 37'.) Approximately 21,000 cubic
yards will be removed by dredging and disposed of
3.2 nautical miles offshore. In addition, a 361' x 377'
Pier (Pier 16) and a 28' x 150' roadway connecting the
proposed Piers 16 and 17 will be constructed under Piers.

Proposed project involves the replacement of the
deteriorated reinforced concrete bridge on Liholiho
Street with a 12' x 18' box culvert. Adjustments will
also be made to the ditch, utilities, and approach roads.

4. Ahuimannu 272' Reservoir -
Board of Water Supply,
City & County

Proposed project consists of constructing a 1 million
gallon reinforced concrete water reservoir that will
measure 93' in diameter and 20' in height. The reservoir
will be located at the 252' elevation on the center
slopes of Ahuimannu Valley, presently zoned I-2 Residential.
The reservoir will be linked to the distribution system
in the Ahuimannu residential area through 245' of 12" water
mains.

5. Nanakai Gardens Subdivision -
Hawaii Housing Authority

Commissioners of the HHA have approved the acquisition
of 10 completed dwellings in the subject subdivision,
which contains 250 homes. The ten properties are
located on the makai side of Farrington Hwy. approximately
1 mile west on the H-1 Freeway from the Barbers Pt.
Industrial Park overpass. The houses are one-story
single family frame dwellings.

6. Happy Valley Flood Prevention
Measure, Tri-Isle Road Project
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

Proposed project will provide land treatment and
structural measures within a 900 acre watershed located
in Happy Valley, Maui, where average annual flood volume
sediment, and erosion damages is estimated at \$100,000.
Land treatment measures will include permanent agriculture,

tree planting, and irrigation water management. Structural measures, to be installed on 12 acres of sugar cane land and 1500 sq. ft. of a vacant residential lot, will include a debris basin, a reinforced concrete lined channel, an energy dissipator, a grassy waterway, and 5 large diversions. These structures will transport floodwaters safely to Iao Stream.

7. Kahului Community Park, Phase II, at Kahului, Maui, Hawaii - Dept. of Parks & Recreation, County of Maui

Proposed project, the 2nd of 4 phases of this 55 acre park development, will encompass 10 acres and provide the following improvements: asphalt-concrete roadway and parking area for 17 cars; 81 wide asphalt-concrete pathways; park benches and drinking fountains; 2 tennis courts with chain link fencing; 2 wooden bridges for pedestrians; underground irrigation system; landscaping; and children's play area.

8. Nawiliwili Harbor View Estates Offsite Drain, Nawiliwili, Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii - Dept. of Transportation

Nawiliwili Harbor View Estates is a 148 unit townhouse development proposed by Nawiliwili Joint Venture, Inc. for construction on a 14 acre site adjacent to Nawiliwili Harbor (TMK 3-2-05:8). The proposed project for which this negative declaration has been made consists of construction; a series of drain inlets and pipes to convey storm runoff from the development site and from above-lying areas to Wilcox Road. Along Wilcox Road, a concrete box culvert will be constructed to carry the runoff to an existing ditch that enters into a box culvert emptying into Nawiliwili Harbor. Currently, the existing ditch and culvert collect storm runoff from approximately 125 acres of cane land. This runoff is estimated at 230 cfs. The proposed box culvert will add 50 cfs to the existing ditch and culvert for a combined total of 280 cfs.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS, APPLICANT ACTIONS

Title-Proposer Approving Agency Project Description

Status

1. Palehua PD-H Dept. of Land Utilization Previously reported in EIS Newsletter. (Also available at Waianae & Kaipahu Libraries.) Public review period over EIS under evaluation by DLU.

2. "Palama Gardens" Planned Development Housing Project - LRRI Development One Dept. of Land Utilization, City and County Previously reported in EIS Newsletter. (Also available at Kahuku & Kailua Libraries.) Public review period over EIS under evaluation by DLU.

3. Kahe-Malawa Rights-of-Way for High Voltage Transmission Circuits in the Conservation District & Through State of Hawaii Owned Lands, Island of Oahu - Hawaiian Electric Co., Inc. Dept. of Land & Natural Resources Previously reported in EIS Newsletter. (Also available at the Aiea Library.) Public review period over EIS under evaluation by DLNR.

4. Excavation & Quarrying Use at Waihee, Oahu - R.H. Towill Dept. of Land & Natural Resources Previously reported in EIS Newsletter. (Also available at Kahuku & Malama) Accepted by DLNR. Feb. 4

5. Neia Kea-Pine Tree Junction Right-of-Way for High Voltage Transmission Circuits in the Conservation District at Kaneohe, Island of Oahu - Hawaiian Electric Co., Inc. Dept. of Land & Natural Resources Previously reported in EIS Newsletter. Accepted by DLNR. Feb. 10

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS, AGENCY ACTIONS

Draft: EIS's

<p>1. <u>Title-Proposer</u> Kulamann Street Relief Drain Dept. of Public Works, City & County</p>	<p><u>Project Description</u> Previously reported in EIS Newsletter. (Also available at Waikiki-Kapahulu Library.)</p>	<p><u>Deadline for</u> <u>Comments</u> Feb. 17</p>
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<p>2. <u>Title-Proposer</u> Hanapepe Refuse Transfer Station at Hanapepe, Kauai, Hawaii - Dept. of Public Works, Kauai County</p>	<p><u>Project Description</u> Proposed project will provide a station where County pickup units and the public may dispose of refuse for compacting and depositing in a 65 cubic yard trailer. When filled, the trailer will be taken to the Kekaha Sanitary Landfill for unloading. The Station will be constructed on a 1.2 acre parcel bounded by Lele Rd., Hanapepe Drain Ditch, and the future County of Kauai Base Yard. This site is within the open zone area of the Kauai General Plan, but a Special Use Permit has been granted. Completion of the project will enable the County to eliminate the open dump at Port Allen. (Also available at the Hanapepe, Kapae, and Waimea Branch Libraries.)</p>	<p>March 10</p>
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<p><u>Final EIS's</u> <u>Title-Proposer</u> 1. Keaahala Stream Flood Control Project - Dept. of Public Works, City & County</p>	<p><u>Project Description</u> Keaahala Stream, located in the Kaneohe Bay drainage basin, has had 6 major floods since 1957. This proposed project will alleviate the flooding problem, attributed to the stream's small cross sectional area (120 sq. ft. ave.) and irregular alignment, by providing a 20' wide rectangular concrete channel of varying height (14' max.). Project limits are from Waiiale Rd. to Kahakuli Hwy. The project has been divided into 2 units. Phase I of Unit I, extending 1500' from Waiiale Rd., was completed in FY 1972. Phase II of Unit I, which will extend from there to the midpt. of Pahia Rd., is scheduled to start in FY 1975. Unit II construction is tentatively scheduled for FY 1978. (Also available at Kaitiua Library.)</p>	<p><u>Status</u> Currently being processed by Dept. of General Planning, City & County</p>
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- 2. Sand Island State Park
Dept. of Land & Natural Resources

This proposed park will encompass 140 acres, stretching along the makai shoreline of Sand Island from the Bascule Bridge to the Fisheries Research Center. Long range plans for the park include the establishment of 3 general park themes: boat park with launching ramp along the lagoon shore; beach park along the ocean shore; and passive park along the reef and ocean and harbor shore. Mauka alignments for roadways and parking have been planned, with drop-off zones extending to various makai areas. Bike and walk paths will be provided. Seventy additional acres will be held in land bank for deployment later. First 2 increments of the park development will consist primarily of a passive recreational area (walkways, sitting areas, and extensive landscaping) and a 15 unit campground.
(To be distributed.)

Currently being processed by this Office.

- 3. Construction of a Roadway
Entrance to Leeward Community College, Waipio & Halaia, Ewa, Oahu
Dept. of Accounting and General Services

Previously reported in FIS Newsletter.
(Also available at Aiea, Ewa Beach, and Kaipahu Libraries.)

Currently being processed by this Office.

- 4. North Kona Flood Control Project (Holualoa Drainage System), Holualoa, Hawaii
Dept. of Public Works, Hawaii County

Previously reported in FIS Newsletter.
(Also available at Holualoa and Kailua-Kona Libraries.)

Pending Governor's acceptance.

- 5. Coconut Island Sewage Disposal Force Main, Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, Hawaii
Dept. of Accounting and General Services

Previously reported in FIS Newsletter.

Accepted by Governor Ariyoshi, Feb. 7

EQC RULES AND REGULATIONS

On February 10, the Environmental Quality Commission tentatively approved a recently completed draft of Rules and Regulations that incorporates comments and recommendations received at public hearings. The attorney retained by the EQC to assist in rule-making was requested to make a number of "housekeeping" changes in the draft. When he has completed this task, the EQC will meet to review these changes and to approve the Rules and Regulations for submission to Governor Ariyoshi for final approval.

EIS LEGISLATION

Three measures have been introduced in the Legislature thus far this session that merit the attention of those who are interested in or affected by the State's EIS process.

House Resolution No. 362, offered by Representative Kinau Boyd Kamalii, resolves that "the Environmental Quality Commission is urged to promptly issue rules governing the submission and approval of environmental impact statements and to submit a progress report to the House of Representatives concerning adoption of the rules prior to adjournment of the 1975 Regular Session."

House Bill No. 48, introduced by Representative Ben Cayetano, proposes to amend Chapter 343, HRS by extending the EIS requirement to actions that increase the depletion of energy resources. A hearing on this bill has been scheduled by the Environmental Protection and the Transportation Committees, February 22, 8:30 a.m., State Capitol, Room 310. Thirty copies of testimony must be submitted 24 hours in advance by those who wish to testify.

Finally, Senate Bill No. 103, introduced by Senator Francis Wong, calls for the repeal of Chapter 343, HRS--the enabling statute for the EQC and the present EIS process. Under Senator Wong's proposal, there would be established a statewide Comprehensive Planning Council composed of eight members (the director of Planning and Economic Development, who would serve as Planning Coordinator; the chairman of the Land Use Commission; the director of Finance; the director of OEQC; and the chief planning officer of each county). This Council would advise the Legislature with respect to statewide comprehensive general planning and the adoption of comprehensive state planning policies. The policies that are subsequently adopted would be advisory to all State and county agencies. In addition, these policies would require consideration in EIS's.

Under S.B. No. 103, EIS's would be required only when a change in land use classification or general plan designation is requested (whereas Chapter 343, HRS requires EIS's for actions proposing certain amendments to county general plans or affecting public lands or funds or certain geographical areas). EIS's would be filed with the Planning Coordinator and OEQC, each of whom would submit comments to the Land Use Commission or county planning department, as the case may be, prior to the public hearing on the proposed project. Persons would be allowed to submit EIS's in opposition to the project. Rules governing content and procedural requirements would be promulgated by the Land Use Commission and the planning departments of the individual counties.

A hearing on this bill has been tentatively scheduled for February 26 by the Senate's Energy, Environment, and Recreation Committee. Call the office of Senator Jean King, chairperson of the EER Committee (548-7887), for particulars.