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ANTICIPATED EIS'S (Proposed actions for which EIS Preparation Notices have been received)

Kuhio Ave. Widening (DPW, City/County); Waimanalo Village (HHA); Kalaniana'ole Hwy. Transportation Corridor (DOT); Zone Change, Halawa (Queen's Medical Center, et. al.); Planned Development-Housing, Kahaluu (Ahuimanu Investment Co. & Valley of the Temples Corp.); Tourist Recreational & Food Service Facility at Iao Valley, Wailuku, Maui (Nordic Maui, Inc.)

COMMUNITY PLANNING PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING

As reported in the previous issue of the EQC Bulletin, Community Planning, Inc. filed with the Commission on August 13 a petition for declaratory ruling. The petition was not fully in compliance with Section 1:22 of the EQC's Rules of Practice and Procedure, and a revision was therefore required.

On September 2, Community Planning filed that revision, requesting a declaratory ruling on the "Necessity of Environmental Impact Statement on Subdivision Application for Bougainville Drive."

Later that day, representatives of Community Planning appeared at an on-going Commission meeting and were granted permission to give an oral presentation of their case. By motion unanimously approved, the Commission determined that, prior to making a declaratory ruling on the matter at issue, an invitation will be extended to the City and County Department of Land Utilization-which has returned the subject subdivision application pending favorable processing of an EIS "in conjunction with (a) request for change in zoning of the site" -- to appear at the next EQC meeting and present its side of the case.

Despite the possible in-person appearance by DLU and Community Planning, the next EQC meeting is not to be construed as a hearing. The appearance of the two parties is requested not simply to determine the facts of the case but also to give the Commission a notion of how approving agencies and applicants are interpreting the newly established EIS Regulations.

MEMORANDUM

The next DMC meeting has been set for Monday, August 15, 4:30 p.m., Room 413, 2000 Capitol Mall. In addition to the items on the agenda, the agenda items include discussions on the applicability of Chapter 226, including permits and general plan amendments; EQC legislation proposals for the next legislative session; and BIS work items. The public is welcome to attend.

AGENCY EXEMPTION LISTS

The Commission approved at its August 13 meeting the following exemption lists, which were filed by the Designated agencies as required under Section 1.33 of the EIS Regulations.

Department of Transportation Exemption List:

1. Resurfacing, sealing and repairing roadway pavements and utilities in pavements, shoulders, parking areas, airfields, and harbor storage and container areas.
2. Guard rail replacements, and fencing.
3. Bridge repairs.
4. Landscaping.
5. Installation of sprinkler systems.
6. Upgrading existing highway lighting systems, and security lights.
7. Minor spot safety improvements, traffic signal installation, traffic striping, and traffic signs.
8. Repair or replacement to frame, siding, floors, fireplaces, windows, fire protection system, roofing, minor renovations, roll-up doors, and minor additions or modifications not exceeding 20% of the floor area.
9. Routine preventive maintenance such as repainting, caulking, and sand blasting of launch ramps.
10. Repair or replacement of fender systems, pipelines, and utilities.
11. Repair or improvements to hatch frames and covers, catwalks, subsideways, and other deck and mooring facilities.
12. Replacement of bollards, pilings, and piers.
13. Rehabilitation of piers and buildings.
14. Spraying and other pest control treatment.
15. Repair and replacement of manholes and navigational aids.
16. Repairs to rockwalls, curbing, perimeter concrete, groins, dikes, breakwaters, and launch ramps.
17. Removal of silt and debris from above high water mark.
18. Installation of reefer outlets.
19. Sand replenishment to existing beaches.
20. Utility service connection and installation along and across state highways or roads.
21. Construction of bus shelters, telephone booths, and sidewalks.
22. Temporary parking on highway remnant properties.
23. Temporary storage of construction equipment and materials on highway remnant properties.

Department of Public Works, City and County of Honolulu Exemption List:

1. Operations, Repairs or Maintenance Class
 1. Abandoned Vehicle Pickup
 2. Building Exterior Painting
 3. Building Exterior Repair
 4. Geopool Pumping
 5. Chemical Control of Vector

6. Incinerator Repair and Maintenance
7. Litter Container Pickup
8. Manhole and Junction Boxes Cover Adjustment
9. Parking Lot Cleaning
10. Pavement Resurfacing and Striping
11. Refuse Collection Schedule Changes
12. Reroofing
13. Roadside Maintenance
14. Sanitary Sewer Cleaning
15. Sanitary Sewers Leak Sealing by Chemical Grouting
16. Silt and Other Debris Removal from Canal and Stream
17. Street Repair and Cleaning
18. Storm drain Cleaning
19. Vehicle Repair, Testing and Maintenance
20. Wilson Tunnel Repair and Cleaning

B. Replacement or Reconstruction Class

1. Berms, Replacement, and Repair.
2. Bridge Repair.
3. Building Modification (no change in use)
4. Drainage Structure Replacement and Repair
5. Driveway Replacement
6. Equipment Replacement
7. Exterior Door Replacement
8. Footbridge Replacement and Repair
9. Guard Rail Replacement and Repair
10. Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement and Repair
11. Stream Retaining Wall Replacement and Repair
12. Storm Drain Line Replacement and Repair
13. Telemetering Equipment Replacement and Repair
14. Underground Fuel Tank Replacement

C. Construction, Alteration, Modification and Installation (of Facility or Structure) Class

1. Air Conditioning and Ventilation Installation
2. Carports
3. Emergency Electric Generator Installation in Existing Sewage Pump Station
4. Equipment Installation in Existing Buildings
5. Existing Storm Drain Extension
6. Expansion of Existing Sewage Pump Station to Master Planned Capacity (Additional Pumping Equipment and Appurtenances)
7. Fencing
8. Field Office
9. Guard Rail
10. Minor Modification of Incinerator
11. Minor Local Sewage Pump Station
12. Minor Local Storm Runoff Pump Station
13. Modification, Required to Conform to Federal, State and Local Regulations or Codes
14. Loading Areas
15. Sewer Improvement District
16. Sidewalk and Covered Walkway
17. Storm Drain Line Modification
18. Utility Connection (Electric, Gas, Water)
19. Street Improvement (Ordinance No. 2412)
20. Window Modification

1. Drainage, Erosion Control, Water, or Vegetation Class

1. Drainage
2. Manual Control of Vegetation
3. Bridge Wash
4. Topsoil
5. Ground Improvements
6. Landscape and Sprinkler System
7. Seepage Basin
8. Shoulder

E. Basic Data Collection and Research Class

1. Ecology
2. Biological and Ecological Study and Survey
3. Chemical and Bacteriological Laboratory Analysis
4. Coliform Bacteria Decay Rate
5. Fish Survey
6. Fresh and Saline Water Sampling
7. Industrial Waste Sampling and Analysis
8. Monitoring Device Installation
9. Oceanographic Survey
10. Receiving Waters Monitoring Program
11. Recycling of Wastewater Study
12. Effluent Study and Survey
13. Storm Water Runoff Sampling and Analysis
14. Stream Study and Survey
15. Subsurface Exploration Soil Boring
16. Virus Study and Survey

F. Administrative Activities Class

1. Actions Necessary for Compliance with CMAA Requirements
2. Purchase of Supplies
3. Personnel-Related Action

G. Construction Accessory to Existing Facility Class

1. Exterior Lighting
2. Portable Buildings
3. Underground Fuel Tank and Dispenser

H. Interior Alteration Class

1. Partition
2. Plumbing
3. Electrical
4. Door
5. Window

I. Demolition Class

1. Architectural Features Removal
2. Demolition of Sanitary Sewer and Storm Drain and Their Appurtenances
3. Demolition of Abandoned Vehicles
4. Demolition of Street Improvements Prior to Street Widening or Adjustment
5. Demolition of Abandoned Building and Structure

Zoning Variance Class
1. Building Set-Back

Department of Transportation Services, City and County of Honolulu Exemption List:

1. Modernization of an existing highway by resurfacing, widening less than a single lane width, adding shoulders, adding auxiliary lanes for localized purposes (weaving, climbing, speed changes, etc.) and correcting substandard curves and intersections.
2. Lighting, signing, pavement marking, signalization, freeway surveillance and control system, and fire alarm systems.
3. Safety projects such as grooving, glare screen, safety barriers, and energy attenuators.
4. Reconstruction of existing cross road and existing stream crossings.
5. Highway landscaping, rest area projects and installation of sprinkler systems.
6. Construction of bus shelter, telephone booths, sidewalks and covered walkways.
7. Alterations to existing buildings to provide noise attenuation and installation of noise barriers.
8. Repair, installation, and replacement of manholes, waterlines, meters, hydrants, valves, sewer lines and utility lines along and across roads and streets.
9. Demolition work: Curbs, sidewalks, pavement, driveways, and buildings.
10. Fencing.
11. Park and ride facilities and loading areas.

County of Hawaii Exemption List:

1. Traffic control devices, i.e. traffic signal installation, traffic signs, traffic striping.
2. Highway lighting systems.
3. Play area and play courts.
4. Fencing.
5. Roofing.
6. Repair and maintenance of existing structures.
7. Demolition, except as provided in E.I.S. Regulations.
8. Pedestrian walkways and or sidewalks.
9. Guardrail installation.
10. Interior alterations involving such things as partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances.
11. Construction or placement of minor structures accessory to existing facilities.

EIS NOTICES

Environmental Impact Statements listed herein are available for review at the following public depositories: the Honolulu, Kaneohe, Pearl City, Hilo, Waipahoehoe, and Waihee Regional Libraries; State Main Library; and the University of Hawaii 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 the Commission's office.

Requests for material listed herein may be placed by telephone or letter. If the latter, please include name and telephone number of a contact person. Charges for the material may be assessed to cover mailing and reproduction costs. See EGC Bulletin I-5 for the schedule of charges.

DETERMINATIONS

I. EIS PREPARATION NOTICES, AGENCY ACTION

proposed action -- proposing agency project description

deadline for response to be consulted project

1. Honolulu Rapid Transit System -- Previously reported in EGC Bulletin I-5
Dept. of Transportation Services,
City & County

Sept. 22

contact: Brian Binderer, DES, Mass Transit Division, Honolulu Municipal Building, 650 S. King Street,
Third Floor, Honolulu, 96813, phone 523-4156.

2. Second Entrance Road to Mahiava Previously reported in EGC Bulletin I-5
Dept. of Transportation

Sept. 22

contact: Kenneth Au, DOT, Highways Division, Planning Branch, 600 Kapiolani Blvd. #301, Honolulu, 96813,
phone 548-3839

3. Zailua High School, 2nd Entrance Previously reported in EGC Bulletin I-5

Sept. 22

Dept. of Accounting and
General Services

contact: Rodney Chang, DACS, P.O. Box 119, Honolulu, 96810, phone-548-4561.

landmark boundary.

contact: Chris Hart, Maui Historic Commission, 200 S. High St., Mailuku, Maui, 96793, phone 244-7735.

2. Whaler's Wharf Project, Lahaina, Maui--
Whaler's Wharf Limited/
Maui County Historic Commission

Proposed project involves a commercial development for shops and restaurants, consisting of 2-story buildings with basements and a total floor area of 70,000 sq. ft. Project site, located on Front St. opposite the Banyan Courtyard, is within the Lahaina national historic landmark boundary.

Oct. 8

contact: Chris Hart, Maui Historic Commission, 200 S. High St., Mailuku, Maui, 96793, phone 244-7735.

3. 483 Acres at Poipu/Koloa, Kauai--
Moana Corporation/
Planning Commission, Kauai County

An amendment to the county general plan is sought to place 483 acres within a Project District classification. The land, owned by E. and A. Knudsen Trusts, is located for the most part mauka of Poipu Road across from the Poipu area hotels. The subject amendment is requested for purposes of developing a residential community including: 300 single family homes; 1,150 condominium units; a 100,000 sq. ft. commercial center; recreational areas, including a 7,000 yd. golf course, swimming pool, tennis center, and amphitheater.

Oct. 8

contact: Jim Bell, Belt Collins & Assoc., Suite 514, 745 Fort St., Honolulu, 96813

III. NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS, AGENCY ACTIONS

proposed action--proposing agency

Project description

1. Acquisition of Land for Addition
to the Mailua River State Park,
Kaunualii Area, Island of Kauai--
Dept. of Land & Nat. Resources

DLNR proposes to acquire 2 parcels of land fronting on the Mailua River (TRK: 4-1-04:9 & 19) for expansion of the Mailua River State Park. The acquisition of these 2 parcels would result in the formation of a contiguous park on the north bank of the river upstream from the Kubio Hwy. Bridge.

2. 202nd Air Traffic Control Flight
Facilities, Barking Sands, Kauai--
Dept. of Defense

Proposed project consists of the construction of operations, maintenance, and training facilities--including a 2,400 sq. ft. building and another measuring 4,000 sq. ft.--to house the 202nd Air Traffic Control Flight. Project site is a 3 acre parcel at the Pacific Missile Range Facility at Barking Sands.

3. BAK-12 Aircraft Arresting System
on Runway 08, Hickam Air Force Base--
Dept. of Defense

Attendant with the Hawaii Air National Guard's conversion from the F-102 to the F-4c aircraft effective April 1976, an aircraft arresting system will be required to provide for emergency arrests. The proposed system would consist of an arresting cable and two 30 h.p. engines for rewinding the cable after deployment.

4. Walter State Refuse Processing & Transfer Station, Honolulu--
Dept. of Public Works, City & County

Proposed station would effect the compacting and transfer of refuse from four 20-25 cubic yard trucks onto one 65 cubic yard trailer, thus reducing travel time and cost associated with the transport of refuse to disposal sites. Additionally, the station would institute a refuse shredding process to facilitate handling and disposal, with provisions to provide for resource recovery. Proposed site for the station is 5.73 acre parcel of State land located at the Middle St.-Himelz intersection.

contact: Chew Iun Lau, DPW, 650 S. King Street, Honolulu, 96813, phone 523-4150.

5. Waiaheke and Intermediate School, Site Selection--
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

A new school is planned for Waiaheke, to meet projected population increases stemming from a new residential community proposed for the area. Subject project consists of selecting a 30 acre site for the school, which is scheduled to open in September 1981.

contact: Herbert Ishida, DAGS, P.O. Box 119, Honolulu, 96810, phone 548-5703.

6. Lualualei Elementary School, Site Selection--
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

A new school is planned for Lualualei Valley, Oahu, to meet projected population increases stemming from a proposed 1,600 unit residential development in the area. Subject project consists of selecting a 10 acre site for the school, which is scheduled to open in September 1979.

contact: Herbert Ishida, DAGS, P.O. Box 119, Honolulu, 96810, phone 548-5703.

7. Kalaheo Intermediate School, Site Selection--
Dept. of Accounting and Gen. Services

Proposed project consists of selecting a minimum 9 acre site for a new intermediate school for the Nakawao-Pukalani-Kalaheo area. The school is tentatively scheduled to open after 1980.

contact: Harold Sonomura, DAGS, P.O. Box 119, Honolulu, 96810.

II. EIS PREPARATION NOTICES, APPLICANT ACTIONS
proposed action--applicant/approving agency

project description deadline for response to be consulted party

1. Lahaina Plaza Commercial Development, Lahaina, Maui--
Harry Reinberg/
Maui County Historic Commission

A commercial complex is proposed, consisting of 1-and 2-story structures with a total floor area of 51,708 sq. ft. Approximately 30 shops and 4 restaurants would be located in the complex. Project site, located at the intersection of Front & Papalaua Streets, is within the Lahaina National Historic

Sept. 8

4. Keelii Marina Project--
Dept. of Transportation

Proposed project consists of relocating a marina facility to a point on Sand Island Rd. that is ewa of the Keelii Dry Dock. The facility would consist of: 33 5/8' x 25' floating wooden piers, anchored by 70 engine blocks; a small boat dry storage area; a clubhouse; caretaker's quarters; parking area. Marina capacity will be 73 sailboats up to 33' in length.

5. Shafter Flats Development,
Increment III, Koanaiua, Honolulu--
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

This project, located within DAGS' service and maintenance complex at Shafter Flats, is part of a continuing program by DAGS to relocate its operations from its former Kewalo site, which has been redesignated by the State for food distribution purposes. Proposed project would include: construction of 2 storage facilities measuring 19,000 and 3,000 sq. ft.; construction of a 30,000 sq. ft. employee parking lot; acquisition of a roadway access easement from Hawaiian Electric Company and construction of a second access for the Shafter Flats complex into Mokuaua St.

6. Pearl City Educational Cluster,
Consolidation and Resubdivision--
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

Proposed project consists of consolidating and resubdividing lands at Waimano Training School and Hospital (WTSH) into the following parcels: Parcel A for WTSH; Parcel B for Pearl City Educational Cluster (PCEC); Parcel C for roadway purposes; Parcel D as a remnant, subsequently to be consolidated with the adjoining Momiiani Subdivision properties. This action is required to set aside for school use that portion of the WTSH lands occupied by PCEC and to officially establish the existing roadway that provides the main access to PCEC as a public road.

7. Kalama Uka Elementary School, First
Increment--
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

Proposed project consists of constructing 16 classrooms, a library, cafeteria, and parking for the subject school, located at the corner of Kealahola and Mokuhanu Streets in Hawaii Kai, Oahu. The school is scheduled to open in Sept. 1977 with 350 students from residential developments in Kalama Valley.

8. Waimanalo Community School Library--
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

To meet the library needs of both the Waimanalo community and Waimanalo Elementary and Intermediate School, the Dept. of Education proposes to construct a 1-story, 8,000 sq. ft. library on the school site.

9. Subdivision of Land as a Result of
Widening of Hanakuli Avenue from Kawahai
Avenue to Piileau Avenue, Hanakuli, Oahu--
Dept. of Hawaiian Home Lands

DHHL proposes to effect a subdivision of land to correct the lease documents for properties affected by the 1971 widening of Hanakuli Ave. The resultant roadway parcels would then be conveyed to the City and County.

10. Radio System (Antenna Tower and Radio Building located at TKK; 5-6-06 1, lot 34, por. Kahuku, Lale, Oahu)---
Building Dept., City & County

11. Installation of Water Mains---
Government Road, Lakeke Place, Kona and Hanaohao Streets, Terrace Drive and Seaview Avenue, Oahu---
Board of Water Supply, City and County

12. Paukukalo Drainage Project, Paukukalo, Maui---
Dept. of Hawaiian Home Lands

13. Lahainaluna Intermediate School, First Increment---
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

14. Pest Control Facility, Department of Agriculture---
Dept. of Accounting & Gen. Services

15. 201st Air Traffic Control Flight Facilities, Zana, Hawaii---
Dept. of Defense

A 100-ft. high radio antenna and a 1-story, 100 sq. ft. radio building are proposed for construction within the Lale Corporation tract. The structures would be integrated into the City and County's Radio and Communication System for ambulance, medical, police, and fire services coverage from Kahuku to Ahulimanu.

Proposed project involves the installation of 8" water mains and appurtenances along the subject roadways to upgrade water and fire protection service to lots fronting these roadways.

Proposed project involves the development of a storm drainage system and a DRHL development at Paukukalo. The drainage system, to be approximately 2,560 lin. ft. of pipeline serving 43.57 acres of the home lands development, would alleviate flooding conditions by diverting part of the discharge would be into Paukukalo Swamp, but provide additional water basin.

Proposed project involves the construction of a 100,000 sq. ft. Lahainaluna Intermediate School in Lahaina, Maui. The school is adjacent to Lahainaluna High School. The new intermediate school is scheduled to open in Sept. 1977 with 750 students from Kona and Hilo. Eventually, Kama III school would be phased out and relocated to the Lahainaluna cluster.

A pest control facility is proposed for construction at the Dept. of Agriculture site at 16-E. Laukaula St., Hilo. The proposed facility would consist of a 16' x 30' greenhouse and a 12' x 20' lean-to attached to the existing Insectary Plant. Piles and other debris to attack the kamakani weed, which chokes out vegetation on which birds, would be raised in the subject facility for release in controlled quantities.

Proposed project consists of the construction of operations, training and training facilities --including a 2,460 sq. ft. building and measuring 4,900 sq. ft. --to house the 201st Air Traffic Control Project site is a 3 acre parcel at Neenole Airport.

16. Alteration of Building 620--
Dept. of Defense

An 840 sq. ft. addition is proposed to an existing helicopter hangar at General Lyman Field, Hilo.

IV. NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS, APPLICANT ACTIONS

proposed action--applicant *approving agency* *project description*

E. Special Permit, Waikiki--
Green International Corporation

Dept. of Land
Utilization, City
& County

Applicant proposes a 3-story addition to Breakers Hotel, located at 245-A Saratoga Rd. The addition would contain 6,529 sq. ft. of floor area and would house 5 hotel guest rooms and a special Japanese Suite. Approx. 562 sq. ft. of recreational space would also be provided. A special permit is required to permit joint development on separate lots under common leasehold.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS

Environmental Impact Statements, AGENCY ACTIONS
EIS's (filed in accordance with new EIS Regulations)

title--proposing agency

project description

*deadline for
comments*

H. Honokohau Harbor--
Dept. of Transportation

Previously reported in EQC Bulletin I-5. Correction to that report: the proposed harbor would be within rather than adjacent to the 1000 acre National Historic landmark. (Also available at the Hoolualoa and Kailua-Kona Branch Libraries.)

Sept. 19

Draft EIS's (filed in accordance with NEPA requirements only or by agreement with the EQC)
title--proposing agency

project description

*deadline for
comments*

I. Hilo Bayfront Highway, Waialoa River
to Kahlo Wharf--
U.S. and State Dept. of Transportation

Proposed project involves the construction of a 4-lane divided highway with 40 and 50 mph design speeds, extending 1.3 miles from a point west of Waialoa River to the junction of Kalamianaole Ave. and Silva St. The proposed highway improvement would use existing highway right-of-ways--largely those of Kam/Kal. Turnues--as well as non-highway lands that would be purchased. Also under this project, a new bridge over Waialoa River would replace the existing bridge at approximately the same location.

Oct. 6

2. Interchange at Castle Junction--
H.I. and State Departments of
Transportation

To improve traffic flow and safety, a highway interchange
is proposed at Castle Junction, Oahu, to replace the existing at-
intersector.

FINAL EIR'S (Filed in compliance with applicable requirements only or as complete processing of statements filed
no effective date of EIR resolution.)

State--Proposing agency

Project description

Hahulau Intersect--
H.I. Dept. of Agriculture

Previously reported in EGC Bulletin I-1

SUPPLEMENTAL EIR'S

Accepted
Governor
Aug. 28

State--Proposing agency

Project description

1. Coordinated Supplemental EIR,
Phase II--Project Design:
Flood Control and Allied
Purposes, Kaneohe Kailua
Area, Oahu, Hawaii

This authorized project, consisting of a
detention dam and reservoir in the headwaters
of Kaneohe Stream and 1,274 ft. of allied channel
improvements at the stream outlet to Kaneohe Bay,
will provide flood protection for the highly
urbanized coastal area. Additionally, lands within
the project limits will be used for recreational
purposes, including fishing, camping, hiking,
and picnicing.

On behalf of
Mayor Earl K. Wilson
Honolulu, Hawaii
The City of Honolulu
accepted this
on August
1967
having for its
lands.