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Draft “EIR” for Hawaii Kai

The draft “Environmental Impact Report” compiled by Hawaii Kai developers to support a settlement of law suits with the City has been published and circulated for review. The document describes the developers’ plans for more than 1,700 new homes, a hotel, commercial development and a golf course from Kupapa Pond to Makapu’u Point. The land developers hope that the City Council will give the OK to this massive development plan in return for dropping pending litigation and transferring ownership of 30 acres near Sandy Beach to the City.

“EIR” Does Not Follow State Law

Both the developer and City lawyers claim that they need not follow the State Environmental Impact law (HRS Chapter 343) and thus they have prepared an “EIR” instead of an EIS. Jane Howell, Deputy Corporation Counsel for the City stated in a letter to the OEQC “This Environmental Impact Report (EIR) process is not regulated under Chapter 343, HRS, nor is it covered by the content and processing guidelines described under Title 11, Chapter 200, of the State Department of Health’s Administrative Rules.” Howell went on to say that the EIR would “be processed in a manner generally mirroring the normal environmental review process.”

Public’s Rights Avoided

State law and the EIS rules clearly lay out the rights and responsibilities of both the developer and the public. Under the law the public has a right to comment on a Draft Environmental Impact Statement and the developer has the responsibility to respond. Under the law, a developer must disclose the impacts of a project under clear criteria set forth in the rules. The public has the power to sue in court if an EIS is flawed in content or if proper procedures were not followed. The developers and the City are avoiding these well established rights and responsibilities by refusing to follow the law.

The OEQC will not process the “EIR” as if it were a real environmental review under the law. This article in no way provides the kind of notice that a bonafide Draft Environmental Impact Statement requires. The public may contact the City Corporation Counsel for more information.

Attention Pesticide Users

The State Department of Agriculture is coordinating the proper collection and disposal of unwanted pesticides. DOA is conducting a survey to identify waste and surplus pesticides, and their potential users. The eleven most wanted pesticides are: Paraquat, DDT, Aldrin, Dieldrin, Chlorodane, 2,4,5-T, Silvex, DBCP, EDB, DD, and Phosdrin. If you possess any of these unwanted chemicals please fill out a survey. Call DOA at the following numbers for more information.


OEQC is Moving

As we go to press with this issue, our office is stacked high with cardboard boxes and file cabinets. We are moving and taking 25 years of environmental documents with us. Our library of EISs and EAs will be out of order until the first week in December. Our new home will be the State Office Tower, 235 S. Beretania St., Room 702 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-2437. We will be in the space used by the House of Representatives as a chamber during the Capitol renovations. We will let you know if we find our new office is haunted. In the meantime please send mail to the new address. Phone numbers remain the same.
Draft Environmental Assessment

A project or action that may affect the environment cannot be implemented until an Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared in accordance with HRS §343. If the lead government agency anticipates that the project will have no significant environmental impact, then a Draft EA is written and public notice is published in this bulletin. The public has 30 days to comment on the Draft EA from the date of the first notice.

Final Environmental Assessment and FONSI (Negative Declaration)

If, after the lead agency reviews the public comments, it feels that the project will have no significant effect on the environment, then it will prepare a Final EA and issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) formerly called a Negative Declaration. The Final EA must respond to all public comments. An Environmental Impact Statement will not be required and the project may now be implemented. The public has 30 days from the first notice of a FONSI in this Bulletin to sue in court to require the preparation of an EIS.

EIS Prep Notice

If the lead agency decides that a project may have a significant environmental impact, it must prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prior to implementing the project. The first step in preparing an EIS is publishing an EIS Preparation Notice (Prep Notice) in this Bulletin. Agencies, groups or individuals have 30 days from the first publication of an EIS Prep Notice to request to become a consulted party and to make written comments regarding the environmental effects of the proposed action. The draft EIS must respond to these comments.

Draft EIS

If a project is likely to have a significant environmental impact, the lead agency or private applicant must prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) prior to project implementation. This document must completely disclose the likely impacts of a project. Secondary and cumulative impacts must be discussed along with measures proposed to mitigate them. The public has 45 days from the first publication date in this Bulletin to comment on a Draft EIS.

Final EIS

After considering public comments filed during the Draft EIS stage, the agency or applicant must prepare a Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS). The Final EIS must respond to all comments from the draft stage. If deeper analysis was required, it must be included in this document. If the project is from a private applicant, the lead agency is authorized to accept the FEIS. If the project is public, the Governor or Mayor is the accepting authority. Only after the EIS is accepted, may the project be implemented.

EIS Acceptance Notice

If the accepting authority accepts a Final Environmental Impact Statement, a separate EIS Acceptance Notice will be published in this Bulletin. The public has 60 days from the date of first notice of acceptance to sue in court to challenge the acceptance of an EIS.

NEPA

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is the law that requires federal projects to prepare an EIS. It is similar to Hawaii’s law. Some projects require both a state and federal EIS and the public comment procedure should be coordinated. Although not required by law, the OEQC publishes NEPA notices in this Bulletin to help keep the public informed of important actions.

Special Management Area Permits

The Special Management Area (SMA) is along the coastlines of all our islands. Most development in this area requires a Special Management Permit (SMP). The Counties regulate development of this area. On Oahu, the County law requires an EA be prepared to accompany a permit application. This Bulletin posts notice of these SMP applications to encourage public input.

Shoreline Certifications

State law requires that Hawaii shorelines be surveyed and certified when necessary to clearly establish the regulatory building setback (usually 40 feet inland from the shoreline). The public may participate in the process to help assure accurate regulatory boundaries. Private land owners often petition to have their shoreline certified prior to construction. This Bulletin publishes notice of both shoreline certification applications and of final certifications or rejections.

Environmental Council

The Environmental Council is a fifteen-member citizen board appointed by the Governor to advise the State on environmental concerns. The council makes the rules that govern the Environmental Impact Statement process. The agendas of their regular meetings are published in this Bulletin and the public is invited to attend.

Exemption Lists

Government agencies must keep a list describing the minor activities they regularly perform that are declared exempt from the environmental review process. These lists are reviewed and approved by the Environmental Council. This Bulletin will publish an agency's draft exemption list for public comment prior to Council decision making.

Conservation District Permits

Use of land in the State Conservation District requires a Conservation District Use Application (CDUA). These applications are reviewed and approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR). Members of the public may intervene in the permit process. Notice of these permit applications is published in this Bulletin.
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Draft Environmental Assessments

(1) Armstrong Manor - Commercial Activities

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-9-12:14
Applicant: Lisa M.L. Chang (949-7875)
2426 Armstrong Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Land Utilization
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Dana Teramoto (523-4648)

Consultant: Environmental Communications
P.O. Box 536
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Fred Rodriguez (528-4661)

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The applicant is proposing to conduct commercial activities not permitted in the underlying zoning district, which is R-7.5 Residential District, unless a Conditional Use Permit (CUP), Type 2 is obtained. Under Section 4.40-18 of the Land Use Ordinance, the CUP provides an incentive for owners of historic structures to retain them by allowing uses not otherwise permitted in the underlying zoning district. The existing two-story dwelling, Armstrong Manor, has been listed on the Hawaii Register of Historic Places since May 20, 1995. The type of commercial activities include using the Armstrong Manor as a place for annual fund raising events, meetings and gatherings. Guest parking will be available on-site. No overnight accommodations will be provided on the property.

(2) Honolulu Police Department 800 MHz Communication System Upgrade, Pali & Wilson Tunnels

District: Honolulu, Koolaupoko, Koolauloa
TMK: State highways rights-of-way
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Building Department
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Clifford Morikawa (527-6350)

Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Building Department
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Clifford Morikawa (527-6350)

Consultant: Gerald Park Urban Planner (942-7484)
1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 876
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.
The Building Department, City and County of Honolulu, is proposing to improve the city’s public safety radio system in the vicinity of the Pali and Wilson Tunnels where radio signals are weak and coverage is poor both in the tunnels and on the Honolulu side of the tunnels.

At the Pali Tunnel, approximately 1,080 LF of 1" diameter radiating cable will be run through the Kailua outbound tunnel No. 1 and 1,000 LF of 1" radiating cable through the Honolulu inbound tunnel No. 1. Both sets of cable will be routed into a bi-directional amplifier to be installed inside the electrical equipment building adjacent to the Honolulu inbound portal.

A 6-foot diameter grid dish antenna will be attached to the exterior wall of the electrical building. On the Honolulu side of the Honolulu inbound portal, an 18" W x 18" H corner reflecting type antenna will be mounted outside of and above the center of the portal about 30 feet above road grade. This antenna will provide radio coverage, both receiving and transmitting signals, to the area leading to the tunnel entrances on the Honolulu side of the tunnel.

At the Wilson Tunnel, approximately 1,900 LF of 1" diameter radiating cable will be run through the Kaneohe outbound tunnel No. 1 and 1,900 LF of 1" diameter radiating cable through Honolulu inbound tunnel No. 1. Where it emerges from the Kaneohe portals, both sets of cable will be routed into an electrical equipment building between both portals. The cables will connect to a new radio amplifier to be installed inside the building. Because of the length of both tunnels, a second amplifier will be installed about mid-way inside the Kaneohe outbound tunnel.

On the Kaneohe side of the tunnels, a 6-foot diameter grid dish antenna will be mounted approximately 32 feet above road grade. On the Kailhi side, an 18" L x 18" W corner reflecting antenna will be mounted above the portal of the Honolulu inbound tunnel about 23 feet above road grade.

The cost of the project is estimated at $50,000.00 for improvements at the Pali Tunnel and $100,000.00 for improvements at the Wilson Tunnel. The project is funded by the City and County of Honolulu.

(3) Kamakee Street Realignment

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-3-01:por. 1
Applicant: Victoria Ward, Ltd.
1210 Auahi Street, Suite 115
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: H. Mitchell D'Olier (591-8411)

Accepting Authority: Hawaii Community Development Authority
677 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 1001
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Alex Achimore (587-2870)

Consultant: Group 70 International, Inc.
925 Bethel Street, 5th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Jeffrey Overton (523-5866)

Public Comment
Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The proposed action is the realignment of the segment of Kamakee Street between Ala Moana Boulevard and Auahi Street. The intersection of Kamakee Street with Ala Moana Boulevard will be relocated approximately 115 feet Ewa of its existing location. The proposed action will create a four-way signalized intersection including Ala Moana Park Drive, providing greater movement of traffic within and through Kakaako.

The proposed action will require relocation of the Kewalo Basin Diamond Head entrance 200 feet Ewa of its present location, including its signalized T-intersection with Ala Moana Boulevard. Kamakee Street is located within the boundaries of the Kakaako Community Development District (KCDD). The proposed action requires an amendment to the KCDD Mauka Area Plan.

(4) Pali Tunnel Communication Site

District: Honolulu
TMK: State highway right-of-way
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Applicant: Western PCS II Corp.
99-860 Iwae Street
Aiea, Hawaii 96701
Contact: Harvey Luke (487-0061)

Accepting Authority: State Department of Transportation
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Bob Itagaki (887-2187)

Consultant: Analytical Planning Consultants, Inc.
84 North King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
Contact: Donald Clegg (536-5695)

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The applicants are PrimeCo Personal Communications L.P., Pocket Communications Inc., Western PCS II Inc., Honolulu Cellular Telephone Co., GTE Moblenet, and Hawaii Wireless Inc. They are proposing to construct a transmitter/receiver installation between the entrance and exit bores on the Honolulu side of the Pali Tunnels. The installation will be used to facilitate PCS and Cellular wireless telephone communications, and paging on the Honolulu approach to the Tunnel and within the tunnel itself.

Six grid paraflagator antennas, 68 inches wide and 36 inches high will be placed on the top 28 feet of a 90 foot triangular lattice construction tower 3 feet on a side. An AM/FM antenna to be used by the State will be placed at the 50 foot level. All equipment cabinets will be placed inside the control building, hence not be visible to the public.

Communication inside the tunnels will be provided by four "yagi" antennas three feet long with an approximate width of six inches. These antennas will be mounted in a row in the upper corner of each tunnel. There will be no impact from radiation as the exclusion distance for the panel antennas is 7.2 feet. This contour is well above the height of any vehicles using the tunnel. The proposed structure is replacing an existing antenna tower. Like the existing tower, the new tower will be a lattice structure and the antennas will be a grid design. Both of these designs present a "see through" appearance such that the trees behind the structures will be visible. The tower and the antennas will be painted to match the background. This together with the "see through" design will largely mitigate any visual impacts.

(5) Royal Kinau

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-1-40-27
Applicant: Royal Kinau Partnership
1816 Makiki Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822
Contact: Alvin Wong (949-7246)

Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu Department of Housing and Community Development
650 South King Street, 5th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Rae Gee (527-5088)

Consultant: Stanley Yim and Associates, Inc.
1001 Bishop Street, Suite 410
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Jason Yim (533-1885)

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The Royal Kinau site is located in the Hawaii Capitol Special District and is owned by the Royal Kinau Partnership. The parcel is bounded by the dead end portion of Lunahililo Street along the north, Kinau Street along the south, the H-1 Freeway Kinau off ramp along the east, and a State owned vacant lot on the southeast side.

The Royal Kinau project will make available 48 one bedroom units for senior affordable housing and 36 units (24 two bedrooms and 12 one bedrooms) for market sales. The project will also have a private park with picnic tables and barbecue facilities. The park site will be fenced and landscaped. Parking will be available on two levels for 55 total stalls which includes 27 full sized stalls, 25 compact stalls, 2 handicap stalls and 1 loading stall.

The project's building plans call for the construction of a 12 story residential apartment building with a lower floor level and the two floors of parking. The lower floor level will have the senior housing amenities, the laundry area, the electrical and mechanical rooms, the building manager's studio and office, 31 parking stalls, the loading stall, and the trash facility.
A new emu retaining wall is to be built along the east side of the residential tower to accommodate grade differences at that location.

There will also be improvements and modifications to the sidewalk areas along the Lunalilo Street frontage and the Lunalilo & Kinau Streets intersection.

The communications systems utilizing the site serve a community function as public utilities by supplying needed portable communications for public use. In addition the systems will provide essential communications in the event of disaster.

(7) Varona Village Phase II

District: Ewa
TMK: 9-1-17:68 (por.), 69 (por.), and 75 (por.)
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Housing and Community Development
650 South King Street, 5th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Avis Kamimura (523-4437)

Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Housing and Community Development
650 South King Street, 5th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Avis Kamimura (523-4437)

Consultant: PBR Hawaii
1001 Bishop Street, Suite 650
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Vincent Shigekuni (521-5631)

Public Challenge
Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

In the Spring of 1990, the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) embarked on a project to provide home ownership opportunities for the tenants that reside in the Ewa Plantation villages of Renton, Tenney and Varona. This project has been referred to as the Ewa Villages Revitalization Project.

Much of the originally planned additions and improvements have been completed. The remaining area of Ewa Villages west of Kaloi Channel is around the existing Varona Village and the development of this area is referred to as the Varona Village Phase II project. As a logical completion of the Ewa Villages project, the master Plan represents compatible uses for an existing and growing urbanized area (the Ewa region).
The Varona Village Phase II areas are divided into three areas referred to as Area E (approximately 25 acres), Varona Village Expansion Area (approximately 27 acres), and Makai Area (approximately 9 acres).

The Varona Village Expansion Area is located immediately north and west of the existing Varona Village. The Varona Village Expansion Area is bounded by the proposed North-South Road, the western boundary of Ewa Villages and the 75-foot wide 138kV Hawaiian Electric Company power line easement, and the OR&L railroad right-of-way. The boundaries of the Varona Village Expansion Area will not be accurately defined until the North-South Road alignment is finalized. Approximately 157 single-family units are planned to be developed in the Varona Village Expansion Area.

The Makai Area is located south of the existing Varona Village and is bounded by Renton Road, the recently channelized Kaloi Channel, and the OR&L railroad right-of-way. This area will be used for community-type facilities (such as a YMCA orYWCA) and/or residential use. If the Makai Area is developed entirely for residential use, similar to what is proposed for the Varona Village Expansion Area, it would yield approximately 52 single-family units (or 110 multi-family residential units).

Area E is located between the proposed North-South Road and the Ewa Villages Golf Course. The boundaries of Area E will not be accurately defined until the North-South Road alignment is finalized. With its golf course frontage, Area E is intended to be developed with market single-family and/or up to 252 multi-family residential units.

**Consultant:** Analytical Planning Consultants, Inc.
84 North King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
Contact: Donald Clegg (536-5695)

**Public Challenge**
**Deadline:** December 23, 1996
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The applicants are PrimeCo Personal Communications L.P., Pocket Communications Inc., Western PCS II Inc., and Hawaii Wireless Inc. They are proposing to construct a transmitter/receiver installation between the entrance and exit bores on the Nuuanu side of the Wilson Tunnel. The installation will be used to facilitate PCS wireless telephone communications and paging on the Honolulu approach to the Tunnel and within the tunnel itself. The installation is located on State land in the highway right of way.

The primary impact of the installation will be the visual impact of the 12 panel antennas, the 6 1/2 foot high fifty foot long extension wall above the existing wall and the circular staircase between the existing building and the Honolulu lanes. These will be visible only to occupants of cars approaching the tunnel from Honolulu. Occupants of automobiles exiting the tunnel Honolulu bound will be beyond these structures by the time they are able to see them.

There have been concerns expressed about the effects of the electromagnetic radiation from the antennas. There is no impact as the radiation exclusion distance for the panel antennas is 7.2 feet. This contour is well above the height of any vehicles utilizing the tunnels.

The telephone systems involved serve a community function as public utilities by supplying needed portable communications for public use. The systems will provide essential communications in the event of disaster and emergency communications for occupants of cars stranded at night on Likelike Hwy.

The new CMU wall will have a brick facade to match the exiting wall and the antennas will be painted to match the natural background. The staircase will be visually screened for most of its height from occupants of automobiles Kaneohe bound by an existing tree.
Special Management Area

(9) Kang Office/Retail Building (Draft Environmental Assessment)

District: Waianae
TMK: 8-7-23:57
Applicant: Paul Yamada (395-2549)
223 Nomilo Place
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Land Utilization
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Dana Teramoto (523-4648)

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: SMA/DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority and OEQC.

The applicant, Paul Yamada, proposes to construct a two-story concrete masonry unit office/retail building. The building will contain approximately 4,426 square feet of floor area. A parking lot for 24 vehicles will be provided. Landscape plants will be placed along the side and front property lines of the property.

The project is located across Farrington Highway from Ulehawa Beach Park in Maili.

Notice of Withdrawal

(10) University of Hawaii Kennedy Theater Addition and Parking Structure

The University of Hawaii’s Facilities Planning Office has withdrawn the draft environmental assessment for the Kennedy Theater Addition and Parking Structure at the U.H. Manoa campus.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Ralph Morita, Department of Accounting and General Services at 586-0486.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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◆ Honolulu Zoo Master Plan

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Parks and Recreation
650 South King Street, 9th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Daniel Takamatsu (527-6301)

Accepting Authority: Same as above.

◆ Kunia Interchange Improvements, Interstate Route H-1

Applicant: Department of Transportation, Highways Division
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Julius Fronda (587-2246)

Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Public Comment Deadline: December 9, 1996

◆ Waipahu Wells IV

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Board of Water Supply
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843
Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Public Comment Deadline: December 9, 1996
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Amfac Commercial and Park

Applicant: Amfac/JMB Hawaii, Inc.
700 Bishop Street, 21st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Timothy Johns (543-8929)

Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Planning Department
650 South King Street, 8th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Lin Wong (523-4485)

Public Comment Deadline: December 9, 1996

Makaha 242 Reservoir No. 2

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Board of Water Supply
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843
Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

Accepting Authority: Mayor, City and County of Honolulu
530 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Status: FEIS currently being reviewed by the Mayor, City and County of Honolulu.

Draft Environmental Impact Statements

Nimitz Highway Improvements from Keehi Interchange to Pier 16 (Awa Street)

Applicant: Department of Transportation, Highways Division
600 Kapiolani Boulevard, Room 304
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Ronald Tsuzuki (587-1830)

Accepting Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control
220 South King Street, Suite 400
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Public Comment Deadline: December 13, 1996

Waialua-Haleiwa Wastewater Facilities

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Wastewater Management
650 South King Street, 3rd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Jared Lum (523-4654)

Accepting Authority: Mayor, City and County of Honolulu
Planning Department
650 South King Street, 8th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Status: FEIS currently being reviewed by the Planning Department, City and County of Honolulu.

Final Environmental Impact Statements Pending Acceptance

Kailua 272 Reservoir

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Board of Water Supply
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843
Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)
Draft Environmental Assessments

(1) Lower Kula and Waiohuli Water System Improvements

District: Kula
TMK: 2-2-02:56 (por.); 2-3-04:32
Applicant: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
P.O. Box 1879
Honolulu, Hawaii 96805
Contact: Patrick Young (586-3818)

Accepting Authority: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
P.O. Box 1879
Honolulu, Hawaii 96805
Contact: Patrick Young (586-3818)

Consultant: R.T. Tanaka Engineers, Inc.
871 Kolu Street, Suite 201
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Kirk Tanaka (242-6861)

Public Comment
Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

The proposed project involves the construction of three (3) concrete reservoirs and appurtenant pumping facilities serving the proposed Kula Residence Lots, Unit 1 project to satisfy the subdivision's water storage requirement imposed by the Maui County Department of Water Supply. The reservoirs will store potable water for the domestic needs and fire flow requirements of the subdivision.

Sufficient governmental control as mandated by the Maui County Code, State Health Regulations and Soil Conservation requirements will be enforced to mitigate any adverse environmental impact.

In accordance with the Rules and Regulations, the proposed project does not have significant adverse effects upon the environment.

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National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

(2) Kahului Light-Draft Navigation Improvements (FONSI)

District: Kahului
TMK: 3-7-1:21 and 23
Applicant: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Honolulu Engineering District
Building 230
Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440
Contact: Robert Moncrief (438-2259)

Accepting Authority: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Honolulu Engineering District
Building 230
Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440
Contact: Robert Moncrief (438-2259)

Public Comment
Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: NEPA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Maui Notices

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District, and the State Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation plan to construct commercial light-draft navigation improvements within the Kahului deep-draft harbor located on the north coast of the island of Maui, Hawaii. The project will consist of deepening the existing turning basin; deepening and lengthening the existing entrance channel; modifying the existing entrance channel; modifying the existing one-lane concrete launch ramp into a three-lane concrete launch ramp, including 180 feet of new concrete catwalks; and the construction of a new 130-foot long breakwater structure.

The Corps completed the Final Detailed Project Report and Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) which was circulated to the public in July 1989. The study was accomplished under the authority of Section 107 of the River and Harbor Act of 1960, as amended.

The FEIS concluded that the proposed project would have no significant adverse effect on human health and welfare, no effect on any endangered or threatened species, and no significant effect on other biological resources. There are no surface archaeological sites or other historic features in the project area and no prime agricultural land will be affected by the project.

The purpose of the Environmental Assessment (EA) is to address the currently proposed light-draft navigation improvements at Kahului Harbor and to update and supplement the findings of the 1989 FEIS.

The EA concludes that there have been no substantial changes in the proposed project and the environmental conditions in the project area have not changed substantially since the FEIS was circulated in 1989. There are no significant adverse impacts likely to result from construction or operations and maintenance of the project. The construction documents contain provision for full compliance with required environmental controls and mitigation measures by the contractor. In accordance with 33 CFR 230 and following, a supplemental EIS is not required. Instead, an updated Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact have been prepared.

Comments on the EA and FONSI should be provided in writing by December 23, 1996 to: Commander, U.S. Army Engineering District, Honolulu, Building 230, CEPOD-ET-PP, Fort Shafter, HI 96858-5440.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

Lahainaluna Road Parking Lot

Applicant: 844 Front Street, A Hawaii General Partnership
1818 Davies Pacific Center
841 Bishop Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: John Pyles (521-0754)

Accepting Authority: County of Maui, Planning Department
250 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Ann Cua (243-7735)

Public Comment Deadline: December 9, 1996
Draft Environmental Assessments

(1) Hawaiian Ocean View Volunteer Fire Station

District: Kau
TMK: 9-2-31:19
Applicant: County of Hawaii
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Lloyd Narimatsu (961-8373)

Accepting Authority: County of Hawaii, Office of the Mayor
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Virginia Goldstein (961-8288)

Consultant: Ron Terry, Ph.D. (982-5831)
HCR 9575
Keauu, Hawaii 96749

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The parcel was dedicated by deed to Hawaii County for public purposes when the subdivision was created in 1965. The parcel has been graded and already supports a storage building for a fire truck. The fire station will require a Special Permit because of its location within the Agricultural District.

(2) Keauhou Fire Station

District: North Kona
TMK: 7-8-007-053
Applicant: County of Hawaii, Planning Department
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Norman Olesen (961-8565)

Accepting Authority: County of Hawaii, Planning Department
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Norman Olesen (961-8565)

Consultant: Ron Terry, Ph.D. (982-5831)
HCR 9575
Keauu, Hawaii 96749

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

The County of Hawaii proposes to purchase a turn-key fire station from the Kamehameha Investment Corporation (KIC) with $1.275 million, using General Obligation bond funding. Hawaii County officials plan to recover two-thirds of the cost over the next ten years through an impact fee charged to all new construction within a five-mile radius.

The rapid growth of the area between Kealakekua and Kailua over the last three decades has increased the demand for fire protection. Currently, the area relies on service from fire stations on Palani Road in Kailua and in Captain Cook. As these are both about 7 miles distant from Keauhou, much of the Kona area is outside the 5-mile radius criteria used by the Hawaii Fire Insurance Rating Bureau. The rating for Keauhou is currently 10 - the lowest rating. Having a fire station within a five-mile radius will boost the rating for hundreds of homes and businesses to a 5 or 6, which can yield considerable savings on fire insurance.

The facility closely resembles the South Kohala Station on Queen Kaahumanu Highway, with 4,460 sq. ft. in a one-story structure. A two-bay apparatus room for vehicles (with the ability to expand to three bays), an equipment storage and maintenance room, utility rooms, offices, a kitchen, a dining room, bathing facilities and a dormitory are included. The exterior will be a combination of metal siding and concrete block. Landscaping will be provided through planters skirting much of the building and at various locations around the station yard. Outdoor facilities include driveways, a paved recreation area, a fuel tank area, and fifteen parking stalls. Twelve to fifteen personnel will be assigned to the station, on three shifts.

Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

(3) Duarte Single Family Residential Lot

District: South Kona
TMK: 8-7-19:33

Applicant: Stephen and Alberta Duarte (244-8228)
122 Ikea Place
Pukalani, Maui, Hawaii 96768

Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809

Consultant: Moores Enterprises
P.O. Box 1101
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743
Gregory Moores (885-6839)

Public Challenge Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The applicants propose to build a two-story, 2,400 square feet, single-family residence with septic system, water catchment system, and landscaping in a residential subdivision. The lot is partially within the State Conservation District and abuts the shoreline near Ili-Ili Beach.

This property is part of the Kona Paradise Subdivision in South Kona. Access to the lot is provided by Road "M" via Kaole Road.

Draft Environmental Impact Statements

(4) Hilo Judiciary Complex

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-6-15:1, 2; 2-6-16:2; 2-4-49:18, 19; 2-2-15:33; 2-4-1:12; 2-3-36:3; 2-3-32:1; 2-4-57:1

Applicant: Department of Accounting and General Services
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Ralph Yukumoto (586-0488)

Accepting Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control
220 South King Street, 4th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
A new judiciary complex is proposed for Hilo to service the East Hawaii Area of the Judiciary’s Third Circuit on the island of Hawaii. The Hilo Judiciary Complex will replace the existing, inadequate facilities which are currently housed in three separate locations. According to the Judicial System Master Plan, “The existing Hilo Circuit Courthouse should be abandoned by the Court and replaced with a more functional facility.” The new building will be designed to accommodate the judiciary needs of East Hawaii until 2010.

In 1994, a series of meetings conducted by the Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) identified seven candidate sites for the new Judiciary Complex: Site A (TMK: 2-6-15: 1, 2 and 2-6-16: 2) is located on the north edge of Hilo adjacent to Highway 19; Site B (TMK: 2-4-49: 18, 19) is located on the south edge of Hilo along Volcano Highway, a portion of which contains the Hawaii Community Correction Facility’s Hale Nani Annex; Site C (TMK: 2-2-15: 33) is the former J. C. Penney building located on the corner of Aupuni and Pauahi Streets; Site D (TMK: 2-4-1: 12) is located adjacent to the Sunrise Estates subdivision; Site E (TMK: 2-3-36: 3) is adjacent to Ponahawai Street mauka of Hilo’s downtown area; Site F (TMK: 2-3-32: 1) is situated along Waianuenue Avenue across from Hilo Hospital; Site G (TMK: 2-4-57: 1) is located at the intersection of Kapioi and Kawili Streets, across from Waiakea High School and the University of Hawaii at Hilo. These sites are described and evaluated in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Site Selection Study.

(5) Keaau High School

District: Puna
TMK: 1-6-03: por. 3, 15, 68

Applicant: Department of Accounting and General Services
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Brian Isa (586-0484)

Accepting Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii
O/0 Office of Environmental Quality Control
220 South King Street, 4th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Consultant: Group 70 International, Inc.
925 Bethel Street, 5th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: George Atta or Mary O’Leary (523-5866)

Public Comment Deadline: January 7, 1997
Status: DEIS First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The State Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) is proposing to construct a new high school on the island of Hawaii to alleviate crowded school conditions at Waiakea High School. The new school would serve Grades 9 through 12 and have a standard design enrollment of 1,400 students and a year-round, multi-track design enrollment of 2,100 students. The first increment of the high school is targeted to open by September 1999.

The continued growth in the Waiakea High School enrollment and constant increase in the Puna District’s general population have raised the need to create a new high school. The proposed Keaau High School would accommodate students from Keaau, Kurtistown, Mountain View, Hawaiian Paradise Park, Orchid Land Estates and portions of Waiakea.

The new high school would be located on the edge of Keaau Town and along the makai side of Keaau-Pahe Road. The school site would encompass a total of 50 acres.

The site is currently comprised of fallow sugar cane lands, a macadamia nut orchard and a nursery plant operation. The landowner has been made aware of the project and has notified the tenant farmers.

The high school is proposed to be developed in four increments. The first increment is estimated to cost $30 million and the start of construction is estimated to begin in the fall of 1997 and take 24 months to complete. The first
increment work includes on-site and off-site improvements, grading, general classrooms, administration building, library, food service building with conventional kitchen and dining room, playfields, covered playcourts, covered walkways, locker and shower facilities, specialty classrooms, access roads and parking areas. Future increments would have additional general and specialty classrooms and support facilities such as a gymnasium and parking areas.

National Environmental Policy Act

(6) Alii Drive Shore Protection Project (FONSI)

At the request of the Mayor of Hawaii County, the Corps proposes to construct improvements to the existing 700-foot long seawall along Alii Drive. The seawall was originally constructed on a foundation of boulders approximately 5 feet in diameter. Waves are free to progress through the large cavities between the boulders and have eroded the soil material behind the seawall, damaging the sidewalk and roadway behind the seawall. The proposed project consist of placing geotextile bags within the oceanside interstices of the seawall rock foundation and pumping concrete directly into the bags. Pumping operations are expected to be conducted from Alii Drive. This initial phase of construction will close the larger voids and prevent escape of concrete fines into the ocean during the second phase pumping operations. The second phase grouting operation would consist of drilling holes up to 6 inches in diameter at intervals of 5-10 feet along the length of the seawall in order to pressure inject grout to fill the voids in the seawall foundation and to prevent further movement of the material from behind the seawall.

Please submit comments by November 30, 1996 to:
District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Honolulu, Attention: CEPOD-ET-PP/Mr. Lennan, Building 230, Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440.
Draft Environmental Assessments

(1) Niumalu Single Family Residence and Attendant Structures

District: Lihue
TMK: 3-2-001, por, 001
Applicant: Okada Trucking Company, Ltd.
2065 South King Street, Suite 105
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826
Contact: Walton Hong (245-4757)

Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Sam Lemmo (587-0386)

Consultant: Walton Hong (245-4757)
3133-A Akahi Street
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

Public Comment Deadline: December 23, 1996
Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

Construction of a single family residence, with attendant garage and storage shed, and clearing of approximately 12,500 square feet to provide lawn and landscaped area for proposed residence, on parcel of land containing the Alekoko (Menemune) Fishpond. The parcel is approximately 55.408 acres in size, the proposed use will entail about 0.3 acre on the northeastern portion of the property, away from the fishpond itself.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

• Nawiliwili Water Reservoir and Transmission Line

Applicant: County of Kauai, Department of Water
4398 Pua Loke Street
Lihue, Hawaii 96766
Contact: Ernest Lau (245-5400)

Accepting Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment Deadline: December 9, 1996

• Wailua Automobile Recycling Facility

Applicant: County of Kauai
Department of Public Works
4444 Rice Street
Lihue, Hawaii 96766
Contact: S. Oliver (241-6600)

Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Sam Lemmo (587-0386)

Public Comment Deadline: December 9, 1996
Shoreline Notices

November 23, 1996

Shoreline Certification Applications

Pursuant to §13-222-12, HAR the following shoreline certification applications are available for inspection at the DLNR District Land Offices on Kauai, Hawaii and Maui and at Room 220, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, Oahu (Tel: 587-0414). All comments shall be submitted in writing to the State Land Surveyor, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 210, Honolulu, HI 96813 and postmarked no later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the public notice of the application.

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Shoreline Certifications and Rejections

Pursuant to §13-222-26, HAR the following shorelines have been certified or rejected by the DLNR. A person may appeal a certification or rejection to the BLNR, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, HI 96813, by requesting in writing a contested case hearing no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the date of public notice of certification or rejection.

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<td>Por. of R.P. 3817, LCAw 5244 to Kalaikuiwa, Kaumualii, N. Kona, Hawaii (77-6392 Alii Drive)</td>
<td>Wes Thomas Assoc. for William J. Connolly, Jr.</td>
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<td>OA-371</td>
<td>Certified</td>
<td>Lot 61 of Ld Cl App 1052, Makaha, Waianae, Oahu (84-923 Moa St)</td>
<td>DJINS Surveying &amp; Mapping, Inc. for David Cooper</td>
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<td>OA-603</td>
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<td>Lots 17-B &amp; 17-C Pupukea-Paumaui Beach Lots being a Por Grant 7453 to Alexander D. Lamach at Pupukea-Paumaui, Koolauloa, Oahu (59-551 &amp; 59-555 Ke Pi Rd)</td>
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Department of Health Permits

The following is a list of some pollution control permits currently being reviewed by the State Department of Health. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate branch or office of the Environmental Management Division at 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu.

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<td>Waialua Wastewater Treatment Plant, Kauai</td>
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<td>Discharge Secondary Treated Domestic Wastewater to the Ocean</td>
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<td>Clean Air Branch (586-4200), Noncovered Source Permit</td>
<td>Grace Pacific Corporation, Permit # 0203-01-N</td>
<td>Manawaui Quarry, Molokai</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>120 TPH Asphalt Plant</td>
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<td>CAB (586-4200), Covered Source Permit</td>
<td>Maui Electric Company, Limited, Permit # 0030-01-C</td>
<td>Miki Basin Generating Station, Lanai</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Fuel Limit Increase for Six 1.0 MW Diesel Engine Generators</td>
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<td>CAB (586-4200), Covered Source Permit</td>
<td>Chevron USA Products Company, Permit # 0079-01-C</td>
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<td>Comment Deadline: Dec. 8, 1996</td>
<td>Petroleum Storage Tanks and Loading Rack with Vapor Combustion System</td>
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<td>CAB (586-4200), Covered Source Permit</td>
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Environmental Council Notices

November 23, 1996

Environmental Council Meeting Dates (Tentative)

Any person desiring to attend the meeting and requiring an accommodation (taped materials or sign language interpreter) may request assistance provided such a request is made five working days prior to the scheduled meeting. This request may be made by writing to Mr. Harlan Hashimoto, Chairperson, Environmental Council c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control or by Fax at (808) 586-4186.

Environmental Council

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, December 11, 1996 at 4:00 p.m.

Exemption Committee

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, December 11, 1996 at 3:00 p.m.

Cultural Impacts Committee

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, December 11, 1996 at 3:00 p.m.

Annual Report Committee

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, November 27, 1996 at 12:00 noon.

Please call on or after November 14, 1996 for the final agenda and confirmation of meeting location, date and time.

Federal Notices

Midway Islands

In an October 31, 1996, order, the President of the United States transferred jurisdiction of the Midway Islands, Hawaiian group, and their territorial seas, from the Department of the Navy to the United States Department of the Interior (see, 61 F.R. 56875, November 4, 1996).

Keaau FM Station

Effective December 9, 1996, the Federal Communications Commission has allotted Channel 286C2 to Keaau, Hawai‘i, as that community’s first local aural transmission service, in response to a petition filed by Deborah Takehiro Ombac. The window period for filing applications for Channel 286C2 will open on December 9, 1996, and close on January 9, 1997 (see, 61 F.R. 57335, November 6, 1996).

Pesticide Cancellations

If no objections are received by FEBRUARY 4, 1997, the Environmental Protection Agency plans to order the cancellation of certain pesticide registrations (see, 61 F.R. 57416, November 6, 1996).

Experimental Use Permits

EPA has granted pesticide experimental use permits to Dekalb Genetics Corporation, Discovery Research, 62 Maritime Drive, Mystic, CT 06355-1958. This experimental use permit allows the use of 730 grams of the Bacillus thuringiensis &lt;greek-d&gt;endotoxin in seeds to evaluate the control of the European corn borer, southwestern corn borer, fall armyworm, and corn earworm. The program is authorized only in various states (including Hawai‘i) from May 2, 1996 to April 30, 1997 (see, 61 F.R. 58190, November 13, 1996).