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projects proposed in Hawaii

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## `Aiea Sugar Mill Development

A draft EIS for a proposal to demolish the `Aiea Sugar Mill and develop a new neighborhood shopping center is available for public review and comment. The plan requires the redesignation of 13.45 acres from industrial to commercial by the City.

The applicant proposes to channelize approximately 700 linear feet of `Aiea Stream from its northern boundary (adjacent to `Aiea Intermediate School) through the downstream side of the proposed development plan roadway realignment. The `Aiea Stream was not considered a candidate for protection of aquatic, cultural and recreational resources in the *Hawaii Stream Assessment*.

The DEIS also notes that the proposed shopping center configuration would increase the imperviousness of the ground but concludes that the net amount of

additional runoff entering `Aiea Stream is not significant. Measures to mitigate sedimentation runoff include use of oil-separator manholes and directing runoff through landscaped areas to trap emission particles.

The project will require a development plan approval from the Planning Department, a change in zone approval from the Department of Land Utilization, a Stream Channel Alteration Permit from the Commission on Water Resource Management, a Corp of Engineers Stream Channel Permit, NPDES permits from the Department of Health, a CZM Consistency Certification, a 401 Water Quality Certification and construction plan approvals. The only identified unresolved issue is the historical cultural loss of the `Aiea Sugar Mill. For more, see pages 4 and 19.

## Unisyn Biowaste Facility in Waimanalo

Since 1986, Unisyn has been operating a biowaste facility in Waimanalo, Oahu. The plant converts animal manure and other wet organic wastes into fertilizer. In 1995, the company added greenwaste composting to their operations. This addition provides compost for the agricultural and landscaping industry. The facility, located on state lands, is subject to a conditional use permit type II currently under review by the City.

Unisyn believes that their facility is helping the state achieve its waste reduction goals by recycling wet organic waste and green waste and transforming them into soil amendment, irrigation water and electricity. They say it will extend the life of municipal landfills, improve the efficiency of H-Power and supply farmers with compost.

Potential environmental impacts associated with the facility include odor, air

emissions, water run-off, dust, vectors, noise and fire. The draft environmental assessment for the facility includes operating control plans to minimize these impacts. For more information, see page 3.

## 1996 Index Available

OEQC has prepared an index of all the projects listed in the Environmental Notice in 1996. The index will be a handy reference to help you keep track of projects in your area of concern. Copies of environmental assessments and impacts statements for these projects are available for review and research in our library. To obtain a copy of the index, please call OEQC.

## DLNR Free Speaker Series

Prominent Hawai'i scientists will speak on marine resource issues. See page 12 for this month's schedule of events. Free parking!

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## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) Unisyn Biowaste Technology Facility

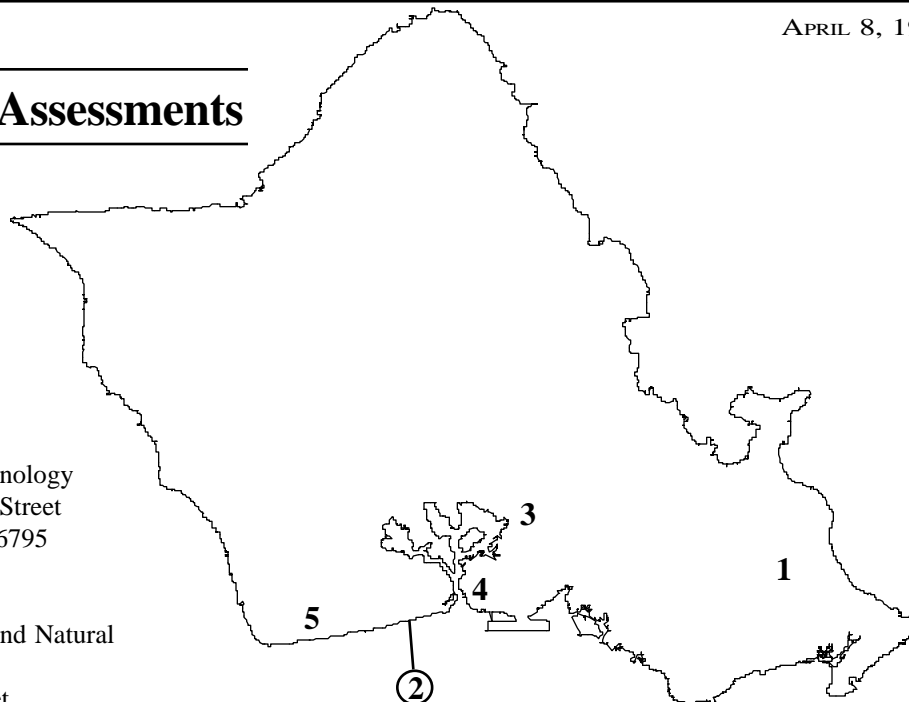
**District:** Koolaupoko  
**TMK:** 4-1-8:80 (por.)  
**Applicant:** Unisyn Biowaste Technology  
41-249 Waikupanaha Street  
Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795  
Contact: Inma Sanz

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Cecil Santos (587-0433)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority and OEQC.

Unisyn Biowaste Technology operates an organic waste processing facility on State Land at Waimanalo, Oahu. It subleases 21.25 acres from Meadow Gold Dairies, Inc. Meadow Gold leases this area from Department of Land and Natural Resources under General Lease No. S-4101. The Department of Land Utilization of the City and County has defined the operation at Unisyn as a major composting Facility and under the AG-2 zoning for this site, a Conditional Use Permit, Type II is needed. We have found that because the processing of organic waste received from sources outside of the dairy complex differs substantially from the initial operation of Unisyn where only cow manure was processed, that an Environmental Assessment is needed for the current operation there.



## Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)



### (2) Thompson After-The-Fact Seawall

**District:** Ewa  
**TMK:** 9-1-07:14  
**Applicant:** Daniel and Sandra Thompson  
98-1405 Akaaka Street  
Aiea, Hawaii 96701  
Contact: Sandra Thompson (488-4534)

**Approving Agency/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:** Ellen H. Thompson (689-4094)  
91-045 Parish Drive  
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

**Public Challenge Deadline:** May 8, 1997

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**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The applicants, Daniel and Sandra Thompson, propose to retain a 65-foot long after-the-fact concrete rubble masonry (CRM) seawall. The seawall is approximately 5 feet high.

The project is located at 91-037 Parish Drive in Ewa Beach.

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## Draft Environmental Impact Statements

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### (3) Aiea Sugar Mill Project

**District:** Ewa  
**TMK:** 9-9-05:10 and 25  
**Applicant:** Crazy Shirts, Inc.  
99-969 Iwaena Street  
Aiea, Hawaii 96701  
Contact: Dennis Taylor (487-9919)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Planning Department  
650 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Tim Hata (527-6070)

**Consultant:** Gray, Hong, Bills & Associates, Inc.  
119 Merchant Street, Suite 607  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: David Bills (521-0306)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** May 23, 1997  
**Status:** DEIS First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The applicant, Crazy Shirts, Inc., is seeking an amendment to the City and County of Honolulu's Development Plan Land Use Map for the Primary Urban Center for the proposed Aiea Sugar Mill project. The amendment request proposes to redesignate approximately 13.45 acres of land from Industrial to Commercial.

The proposed site is located in Aiea bounded by Aiea Heights Drive, Hakina Street and residential homes to the north, Ulune Street to the west, and Kulawea Street to the east. The site consists of two parcels occupied by the vacant Aiea Sugar Mill, existing Hawaii Agricultural Research Center laboratory and office and the C&H liquid sugar refinery.

The applicant proposes to develop a neighborhood shopping center of approximately 118,600 square feet, including 395 parking stalls. The applicant proposes to begin construction in the first quarter of 1999 and open the shopping center in the fourth quarter of 1999.

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## National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

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### (4) Hickam Air Force Base Construct Addition and Interior Alteration to Building 1222 (Draft EA/Draft FONSI)

**District:** Honolulu  
**TMK:** 1-1-03-01  
**Applicant:** Lt. Col. Ralph Graves  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Honolulu Engineer District  
Building 230  
Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440  
Contact: Edward Yamada (438-5421)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** 15 CES/CEVP  
Hickam AFB, Hawaii 96853-5233  
Contact: Melvin Muraoka (449-3392)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** April 21, 1997

The proposed action is to construct an addition and interior alteration to Building 1222 at Hickam Air Force Base, Oahu, Hawaii. The addition will serve as a mobility warehouse and the interior alteration will provide mezzanine space and a training room. Estimated project cost: over \$100,000.



## (5) Proposed Disposal and Reuse of Land and Facilities at Naval Air Station Barbers Point (Notice of Intent for EIS)

**District:** Ewa  
**TMK:** 9-1-13  
**Applicant:** Pacific Division  
Naval Facilities Engineering Command  
Pearl Harbor, Hawaii 96860-7300  
Contact: Fred Minato (471-9338)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Secretary of the Navy  
**Consultant:** Belt Collins Hawaii  
680 Ala Moana Boulevard, First Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Lesley Matsumoto (521-5361)

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** April 30, 1997

The U.S. Navy, in cooperation with the Federal Aviation Administration, is announcing its intent to prepare an EIS for the proposed disposal and reuse of land and facilities at Naval Air Station (NAS) Barbers Point, Hawaii. The EIS will be prepared in compliance with the 1993 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) directive from Congress to close NAS Barbers Point. The base will close in July 1999.

The proposed action is the disposal of approximately 2,100 acres of surplus property on the base. A long-term plan for reuse of the property was developed by the Local Reuse Authority — the State of Hawaii — through a planning process carried out by the NAS Barbers Point Redevelopment Commission. This plan features a general reliever airport with a crosswind runway and large areas devoted to park and recreation use. Sites are provided to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands for residential, commercial, and industrial uses. Commercial activities would include a raceway complex, marine park, and festival center. Lands are also set aside to accommodate homeless providers. Approval of the plan was granted by the Governor on January 23, 1997.

The EIS will address potential environmental impacts of the approved reuse plan and alternatives. Issues will include land use compatibility and constraints such as noise, air quality, traffic, and aviation operations, among others.

Two public scoping meetings will be held to identify potentially significant issues related to the proposed action and alternatives and to identify and notify interested and affected parties of the EIS process.

April 16, 1997, 7:00 p.m., Washington Intermediate School Cafeteria, 1633 S. King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii; and

April 17, 1997, 7:00 p.m., Paradise West Club, Lauhala Room, NAS Barbers Point, Hawaii.

Interested parties are invited to present oral and/or written comments. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes to accommodate all speakers.

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### 🗺️ Ahuwale Drainage Improvements

**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Public Works  
650 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Tyler Sugihara (523-4932)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** April 22, 1997

#### 🗺️ Kahaluu Stream Slope Repair at Hakuale Street

**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Public Works  
650 South King Street, 15th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: James Wang (523-4041)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** April 22, 1997

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## Palolo Wells Addition

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

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** April 22, 1997

### Approving Agency/Accepting

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

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

## Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices

### East Kapolei Master Plan Development Project

**Applicant:** Housing Finance and Development  
Corporation  
677 Queen Street, Suite 300  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Steve Thomas (587-0640)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** April 22, 1997



## Final Environmental Impact Statements Pending Acceptance

### Amfac Commercial and Park

**Applicant:** Amfac Property Development Corp.  
700 Bishop Street, 21st Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Timothy Johns (543-8929)

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## Final Environmental Assessments/ Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)

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### (1) Keanae Baseyard Renovations

**District:** Hana  
**TMK:** 1-1-02:10  
**Applicant:** Department of Accounting and General Services  
P.O. Box 119  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96810  
Contact: Eric Nishimoto (586-0468)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Department of Accounting and General Services  
P.O. Box 119  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96810  
Contact: Eric Nishimoto (586-0468)

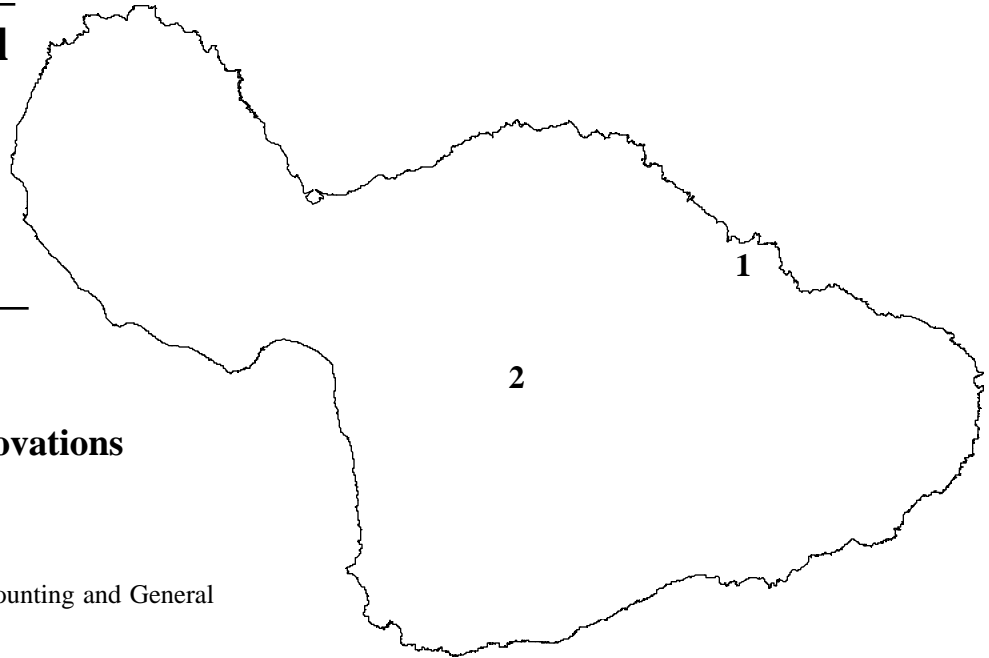
**Consultant:** Munekiyo & Arakawa, Inc.  
305 High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793  
Contact: Michael Munekiyo (244-2015)

#### Public Challenge

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The State Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) is proposing to renovate the existing State Highways Division baseyard in Keanae, Maui, Hawaii. The 3.096 acre site is situated within the State Agricultural District. The subject property abuts the easterly boundary of YMCA's Camp Keanae.

Existing baseyard facilities include a 660 square foot office building, a 560 square foot storage shed, two 160 square foot mobile trailer offices, and an underground 500 gallon fuel storage tank with aboveground dispenser. According to County real property records, the existing storage shed and the office building were constructed less than 50 years ago.



With the exception of the existing mobile trailer offices, the proposed renovation will involve the demolition of the existing, deteriorated baseyard facilities. Proposed baseyard improvements include a 3,280 square foot storage and truck shed, a 1,600 square foot office building, and two covered, aboveground 500 gallon fuel storage tanks (one for diesel and one for gasoline) and dispensers, as well as asphalt paving. Construction is anticipated to start in the third quarter of 1997 with a construction duration of approximately 10 to 12 months.

The landowner of the subject property is the State of Hawaii. The property, however, is under the control and management of the Department of Transportation, Highways Division.

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## Final Environmental Impact Statements

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### (2) Maui Upcountry Watershed Project

**District:** Makawao  
**TMK:** 2-2-var; 2-3-var

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**Applicant:** Department of Agriculture  
P.O. Box 22159  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96823-2159  
Contact: Paul Matsuo (973-9473)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Consultant:** USDA Natural Resources Conservation  
Service  
300 Ala Moana Blvd., Rm. 4316  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96850  
Contact: Dudley Kubo (541-2600)

**Status:** FEIS currently being reviewed by the Office  
of Environmental Quality Control.

This document describes a plan for agricultural water management in the Upcountry Maui Watershed, Maui County, Hawaii. Three alternatives were developed during planning, including a No Action Alternative, an irrigation water distribution system alternative, and an irrigation water distribution system with additional reservoir alternative. Alternative 2, the irrigation water system alternative is the National Economic Development Plan and was selected as the Recommended Plan. The Recommended Plan proposes the installation of a main distribution pipeline and lateral pipelines to provide untreated irrigation water to more than 169 farms with 473 acres of cropland in Upper Kula. The agricultural water system will provide 91 percent irrigation reliability. Project Sponsors will pay 48.6 percent or \$4,484,300 of the total project installation cost which is estimated at \$9,223,000. The remainder of the installation cost will be funded by PL-566 funds. Project costs are estimated to be \$901,100 on an average annual basis including operation, maintenance, and replacement costs. Estimated economic benefits exceed the costs of installation, operation, and maintenance of the Recommended Plan. Average annual economic benefits are estimated to be \$2,282,900. Environmental impacts include an increase in irrigated crop acreage, decreased demand on the Olinda Water Treatment Plant, and potential construction-related interference with captive breeding program at the Hawaii Endangered Species Propagation Facility at Olinda. Other social impacts include easing of the "Kula Rule" for farmers, agricultural water supply will be provided to Hawaiian farmers in the DHHL Keokea agricultural lots, and Prime and Other Important farmland will be better utilized.

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### 👉 Honoapiilani Highway Widening (Kaanapali Parkway to Honokowai Stream)

**Applicant:** Department of Transportation  
869 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Herbert Tao (587-2124)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** April 22, 1997

#### 👉 Mokulele Highway/Puunene Bypass

**Applicant:** Department of Transportation  
869 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Robert Siarot (877-5061)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Same as above.

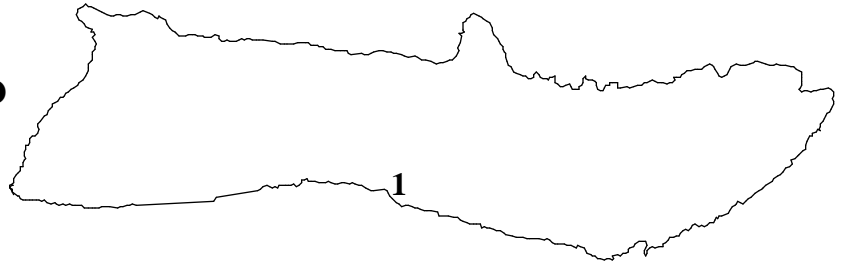
**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** April 22, 1997





## Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)



### (1) Kulana 'Oiwi Multi-Service Center

**District:** Molokai  
**TMK:** 5-2-09-12 and 30  
**Applicant:** **KULANA 'OIWI CONSORTIUM:**  
**State of Hawaii Department of Hawaiian Home Lands**  
335 Merchant Street, Room 202  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
**Office of Hawaiian Affairs**  
711 Kapiolani Blvd., Fifth Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
**The Queen Emma Foundation**  
615 Piikoi Street, Suite 701  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814  
**Kamehameha Schools Bernice Pauahi Bishop Estate**  
567 South King Street, Suite 200  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
**Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center**  
1300 Halona Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817  
**ALU LIKE, Inc.**  
567 South King Street, Fourth Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
335 Merchant Street, Room 202  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Ray Soon (586-3823)

**Consultant:** PBR Hawaii  
Pacific Tower, Suite 650  
1001 Bishop Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Yukie Ohashi (521-5631)

**Public Challenge**  
**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Kulana 'Oiwi is a proposed multi-service center at Kalamaula, Molokai on State of Hawaii land under the management of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. The consortium partnership includes: DHHL, The Queen Emma Foundation, Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estate, Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center, ALU LIKE, Inc. and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. The center is designed to house the offices and programs run by these Hawaiian organizations. The concept of a "one-stop service center" for the Hawaiian people will facilitate the coordinated delivery of government and private services more efficiently.

Kulana 'Oiwi is based on the concept of the *kauhale* or homestead. The *kauhale* was typically a complex of houses serving different purposes for the needs of the 'ohana. At Kulana 'Oiwi, each agency will be providing different services, such as child welfare, social and educational services for youth, health care services, and vocational training services geared to strengthen Hawaiian families, values and culture.

The agencies will be housed in separate buildings and share common areas including a Halau. The grounds will be landscaped with native Hawaiian plantings. Total area under roof is 28,000 sq. ft.; total project land area is approximately five acres. The building clusters will be served by three parking lots with a total of 99 parking stalls. Access to the project will be from Maunaloa Highway.

Infrastructure improvements are included in the project design. New potable water lines will tie-in to the DHHL Kalamaula Residence Lots water system located to the north of the project. A new individual wastewater system and drainage improvements will be constructed on-site. Utility hook-ups are available at Maunaloa Highway.

Construction of the project is planned to begin by mid-1997. The completion of construction is expected by mid-1998, and occupation by the agencies is anticipated between June and August 1998. The estimated cost of this project is approximately \$8 million.

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## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) Kilauea Forest and Kulani Correctional Facility Fence Construction

**District:** South Hilo, Kau  
**TMK:** 1-9-01-1; 9-9-01-7  
**Applicant:** 'Ola'a Kilauea Group  
Hawaii National Park, Resources Management  
P.O. Box 52  
Hawaii National Park, Hawaii 96718  
Contact: Tanya Rubenstein (967-7396)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Forestry and Wildlife  
P.O. Box 4849  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: William Stormont (974-4221)

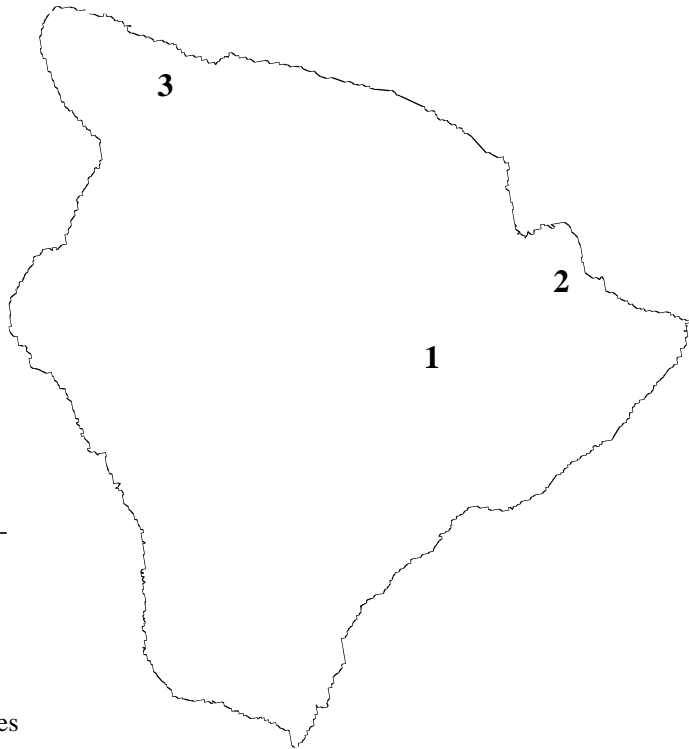
#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority and OEQC.

The 'Ola'a Kilauea Group (the Division of Forestry and Wildlife Natural Area Reserves (NAR) program, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Hawaii Volcanoes National Park (HVNP), Kulani Correctional Facility (KCF), and Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estate (KSBE)), proposes constructing a 320 yard fence line through forest on KCF lands. Project lands are within the Conservation District.

The project involves hand clearing a corridor no more than six feet wide through 320 yards of forest and erecting a fence using galvanized steel posts, one strand of barbed wire along the bottom, and thirty-nine inch hog wire.

This proposed fence will connect to existing fence and fence currently under construction to create a 2,660 acre management unit, the Pu'u Kipu Unit. This fenced unit will contain 1,746 acres of KCF and 914 acres of Kilauea Forest, owned by KSBE. The ultimate goal of the proposed fence is



to control feral pig populations within the management unit to zero density. Fencing and subsequent pig control are part of ongoing cooperative efforts to protect native forest ecosystems, and rare, threatened, and/or endangered flora and fauna found within these ecosystems.

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



### (2) Keaau Community Center Improvements

**District:** Puna  
**TMK:** 1-6-143:por. 39, 38, 18  
**Applicant:** County of Hawaii  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Glen Miyao (961-8311)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** County of Hawaii  
Office of the Mayor  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

**Consultant:** Ron Terry (982-5831)  
HCR 9575  
Keaau, Hawaii 96749

## Public Challenge

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997

**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The Keaau Community Center provides a vital meeting place for community groups and senior citizens in Puna. The Center currently lacks interior space, sufficient parking and water pressure for fire protection. The proposed project consists of three actions that would jointly improve the facilities, grounds, and infrastructure of the Center.

The Keaau Community Center addition component (using \$235,000 of federal funds) involves construction of a one-story, 2,000 sf. addition on the southeast face of the existing Center. The gabled roof, trim and grooved plywood siding of the addition matches the exterior appearance of the existing structure. This component also includes providing one handicapped accessible parking stall at the front of the building and an accessible route from the stall to the addition.

A new parking lot occupying roughly half an acre and accommodating 40-45 full-sized parking spaces is the second component (no funding source or cost estimate at present).

The third component is an extension of the adjacent street and water line (\$160,000 federal funds). The project has received clearances from the State Historic Preservation Division. The County has worked with community groups to identify, preserve and incorporate nearby ornamental trees to the project landscaping.



## (3) Puu O Umi Natural Area Reserve Fence Construction

**District:** Hamakua

**TMK:** 4-9-13-1

**Applicant:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Forestry & Wildlife  
P.O. Box 4849  
Hilo, Hawaii 96721  
Contact: Bryon Stevens (974-4221)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

## Public Challenge

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997

**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The Division of Forestry & Wildlife (DOFAW) Natural Area Reserves Program proposes construction of a fence to enclose a portion of the above parcel within the Puu O Umi Natural Reserve. This action is a part of ongoing efforts to protect native forest ecosystems and rare, threatened and/or endangered flora and fauna found within these ecosystems.

The project involves hand clearing of vegetation along a corridor no more than 6 feet wide, and erecting a fence using galvanized steel posts, 1 strand of barbed wire along the bottom, and 39" tall hog wire. Approximately 1 1/2 mile of fence will be constructed, enclosing an area of 120 acres.

The fence will surround a montane bog (a rare and fragile native plant community) and prevent feral pigs from entering the bog.

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Impact Statements

#### ► Waimea-Paauilo Watershed

**Applicant:** Department of Agriculture  
P.O. Box 22159  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96823-2159  
Contact: Paul Matsuo (973-9473)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** May 7, 1997

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## Final Environmental Impact Statements

### ► Hilo Judiciary Complex

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

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Status:** FEIS currently being reviewed by the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

### ► Keaau High School

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

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Status:** FEIS currently being reviewed by the Office of Environmental Quality Control.



## DLNR Speakers Series

*Department of Land and Natural Resources presents a free Evening Speakers Series featuring Hawaii's prominent scientists with topics on fisheries and other marine resources.*

**Time:** 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Kalanimoku Building  
DLNR Education Center, Room 130  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**April 10 (Thurs.) - NATIVE STREAM BIOTA - HOW IMPORTANT ARE THEY?** Did you know that Hawaii has some of the most unique freshwater species in the entire world? Join us for a fascinating talk on Hawaiian stream animals and why their existence and survival is important for Hawaii's marine and freshwater environment. Guest Speaker: Dr. Robert Nishimoto

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*Free parking available in the Kalanimoku Building garage. For more information or a schedule of future topics and speakers, phone 587-0393.*

## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) St. Catherine's Parish Cemetery

**District:** Kawaihau  
**TMK:** 4-6-14:por. 31  
**Applicant:** Roman Catholic Church for St. Catherine's Parish  
1184 Bishop Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Luke Yasaka (533-1791)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Land Management  
3060 Eiwa Street, Room 306  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766  
Contact: Michael Laureta (274-3491)

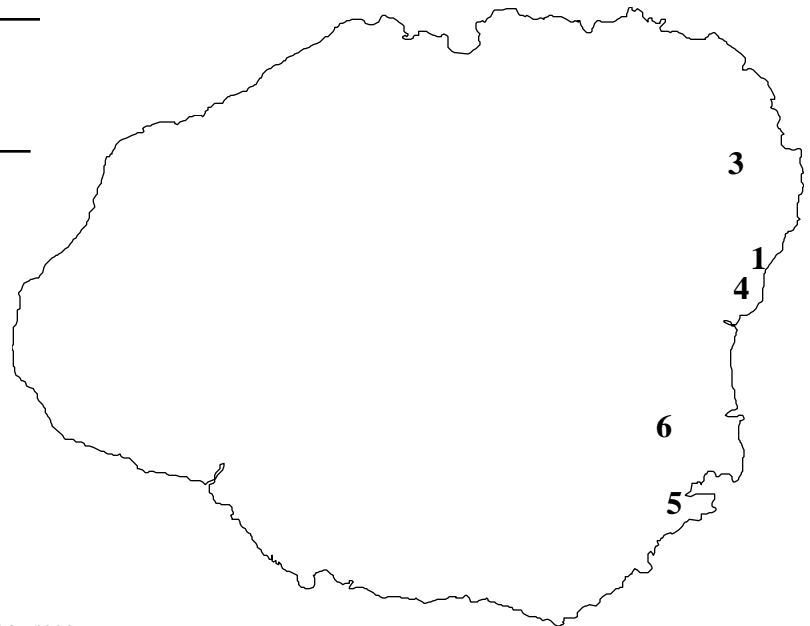
**Consultant:** Sidney Fuke and Associates  
100 Pauahi Street, Room 212  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Sidney Fuke (969-1522)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The request involves the lease and use of approximately 1.5 acres of State lands, for a 65 year period, to expand the area of the abutting St. Catherine's Parish cemetery.

However, this area is presently within the Kapaa Educational Complex, which is located along the eastern or makai edge of the complex and adjacent to the St. Catherine's Parish cemetery, in the vicinity of the school's athletic and physical education playground. At the edge of the playground area, there is a chain link fence followed by a 30 +/- foot sloping embankment. At the base of the embankment, the ground levels off and abuts the cemetery. This is the requested 1.5 +/- acre area. An inadvertent encroachment of approximately 20 to 30 burials has occurred within approximately 10,000 square feet of the land area being sought.



Because of this physical condition, the Kauai District Superintendent has informed the Kauai District Land Agent that her office has no objections to relinquishing this area to the applicant.

The requested lease of the site would allow the applicant to retain the existing graves and slightly expand the cemetery. It is estimated that approximately 25 +/- more burials could be accommodated. This area would be maintained by the parish and its parishioners.



### (2) St. Theresa's Church Park

**District:** Waimea  
**TMK:** 1-3-11:1 and 1-3-4:4  
**Applicant:** Roman Catholic Church for St. Theresa's Church  
1184 Bishop Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Luke Yasaka (533-1791)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Land Management  
3060 Eiwa Street, Room 306  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766  
Contact: Michael Laureta (274-3491)

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**Consultant:** Sidney Fuke and Associates  
100 Pauahi Street, Room 212  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Sidney Fuke (969-1522)

## Public Comment

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The request of St. Theresa's Church (hereinafter "STC") involves the lease and use of State lands in Kekaha, for a 65-year lease term.

STC proposes to develop the 2 contiguous parcels of record, totalling approximately 2.08 acres, for park use and accessory parking. The park would be used for volleyball, soccer, basketball, and other recreational activities. There would also be a parking area with a driveway from Elepaio Street. A pedestrian bridge would also be constructed over the drainage ditch to provide ready access between the Church complex and the park and parking area.

No improvements or alterations to the existing drainage system are planned. For security and/or safety measures, a fence or protective landscaping would be installed along the drainage ditch.

This park is not intended for the exclusive use of the applicant and guests. Although the public would be allowed access to the park, they may be subject to certain reasonable terms to be established by the applicant. These may include measures such as maintenance, time of use, and the like.

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## Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)

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### (3) Anahola 288' 0.5 MG Storage Tank

**District:** Kawaihau  
**TMK:** 4-8-03:23 por. 11  
**Applicant:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
335 Merchant Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Richard Fujita (586-3816)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
335 Merchant Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Richard Fujita (586-3816)

**Consultant:** Akinaka & Associates, Ltd.  
250 N. Beretania Street, Suite 300  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817  
Contact: Henry Morita (536-7721)

## Public Challenge

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The project is located in the Anahola District of Kauai approximately 14 miles north of Lihue. The project site is mauka of the Anahola town within agricultural areas. The storage tank will be constructed partially in the existing Department of Water, Anahola Tank site. The tank site is approximately 1.4 acres and is completely graded, grassed, and fenced. Ground elevation is 270 feet at the storage tank.

The proposed project consists of constructing a reinforced concrete water storage tank and appurtenant support facilities. The tank will have a volume of 0.5 million gallons (MG), a height of 20 feet and a 70 foot diameter. Spillway elevation will be set at 288 feet. The tank will be integrated into the Kauai Department of Water Anahola Water System.

Support facilities will include an asphalt paved access road, water piping, chlorination equipment and control systems. Sitework will include demolition of an abandoned aerial steel water tank (0.10 MG), grading and grassing.

The preliminary construction cost estimate for this project is approximately \$980,000. Funding for this proposed project may be provided by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, State of Hawaii, contingent on availability of C.I.P. funds.

### (4) Kapaa Self-Help Project

**District:** Kawaihau  
**TMK:** 4-4-6-15:12, 126, 127, 128, 129  
**Applicant:** Self-Help Housing Corporation of Hawaii  
1427 Dillingham Boulevard, Suite 305  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817  
Contact: Claudia Shay (842-7111)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** County of Kauai, Housing Agency  
4493 Hardy Street  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766  
Contact: Gary Mackler (241-6865)

**Consultant:** Applied Planning Services  
3116 Hoolako Street  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

**Public Challenge**

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The Kapaa Self-Help Project is a community housing partnership designed to assist families with affordable home ownership needs. The Self-Help Housing Corporation of Hawaii (SHHCH) plans to purchase 5 subdivided lots of 1.39 acres in Kapaa and develop a condominium on each lot thereby creating 10 lots. A total of 10 single-family homes, both 2-bedroom and 3-bedroom homes ranging from 864 to 1,104 sq. ft., will be constructed under this program.

The SHHCH is a non-profit organization with over 10 years of successfully assisting families on Kauai, Maui and Oahu in attaining decent, safe and affordable housing by applying the self-help guidelines to homebuilding.

In response to a formal proposal received from SHHCH requesting HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds, the County of Kauai has awarded SHHCH a \$525,000 zero interest loan from its FY 1995 HOME allocation to assist with site acquisition and development of this project.

## (5) 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)

**Approving Agency/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)  
3135-A Akahi Street  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

**Public Challenge**

**Deadline:** May 8, 1997  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The applicant, Okada Trucking Company, Ltd. proposes to construct a 3,000 square foot house, with an attached garage and shed on a 55 acre parcel at Niumalu, Kauai. The house would be built adjacent to the Alekoko Fishpond, but would be nestled against the pali backdrop to mitigate possible viewplane impacts. A driveway extension would also be developed with gravel to minimize the impervious surfaces. The total area cleared and landscaped would be 12,500 square feet.

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## National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

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## Lihue Airport Wildlife Hazard Management (FONSI)

**District:** Lihue  
**Applicant:** U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Animal Damage Control  
3375 Koapaka Street, Suite H420  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Animal Damage Control (APHIS-ADC) program, has received requests to conduct wildlife hazard management to protect human safety, aircraft, and airport property from wildlife aircraft strikes at Lihue Airport (LIH) on Kauai, Hawaii. APHIS-ADC has produced the environmental assessment (EA) upon which this Decision and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is based.

Alternative A, the current program, provides this full spectrum of control remedies. The employment of APHIS-ADC program personnel at LIH to manage wildlife hazards is necessary to provide expedient, professional, and biologically sound assistance to airport operations. Alternative A provides this with no significant impacts on the human environment.

# Shoreline Notices

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## 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.

Case No.	Date Received	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA-148	02/13/97	Lot 11-B and Parcel 2, Section "A" Waialae Beach Lots at Waialae-Nui, Honolulu, Oahu (4747 Kahala Avenue)	Walter P. Thompson, Inc. for Bank of Hawaii	3-5-06:10 & 24
OA-529	03/21/97	Por of RP 52, LCAw 802 to A. Adams, Being also a Por of Niu Beach Lots File Plan 279 at Niu Honolulu, Oahu (5603 Kalaniana'ole Hwy)	Austin, Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc. for Arosi Hawaii, Inc.	3-7-01:3, 38 & 39

## 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.

Case No.	Date Cert/Rej	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA-453	Certified 03/25/97	Fronting Lot 46 of Ld Ct Cons 87 (Map 2) at Waialae-Nui and Waialae-Iki, Honolulu, Oahu (1025 Kaimoku Place)	ParEn, Inc. dba Park Engineering for Kaimoku, Inc.	3-5-55:8
KA-121	Certified 03/25/97	Lot 2, Ka L'ae Kiki Subdiv., Kukuiula, Koloa, Kauai (Lawai Beach Road)	Wagner Engineering Services, Inc. for Mark McCaslin	2-6-12:9
HA-186	Certified 03/25/97	Por of RP 1930 to Asa Thurston on a Por of LCAw 387, Part 4, Sec 2, No 3 to Amercian Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions at Waiaha 1st, North Kona, Hawaii (75-5916 Alii Drive)	Wes Thomas Associates for Joe Pedferri	7-5-18:76



# Environmental Council Notices

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## Environmental Council Meeting

The Environmental Council is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, April 16, 1997 at 4:00 p.m.

The Council's Exemption Committee, Cultural Impacts Committee, Annual Report Committee, and Communication, Education and Legislation Committee are likely to meet the same day prior to the full Council meeting. Please call on or after April 10, 1997 for the final agenda and confirmation of meeting date, time, and place.

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, 235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 or by Fax at (808) 586-4186.

## Federal Notices

### Humpback Whale Sanctuary Final Rule

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has issued a final rule and summary of final management plan implementing the Sanctuary designation for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary (HIHWNMS). The Sanctuary was designated by Congress in 1992. Issues and concerns raised in the public comments included: sanctuary boundaries; the waters around Kahoolawe; regulations; fishing; enforcement; management/scope; the Sanctuary Advisory Council (SAC); research; education; native Hawaiians; user fees; funding for the program; socio-economic impacts; need for the Sanctuary; the manner in which the Sanctuary was designated; and Federal presence in State waters. The Final Environmental Impact Statement/Management Plan (FEIS/MP) prepared to implement the Sanctuary designation was released on February 18, 1997.

Congress and the Governor of Hawai'i have forty-five days of continuous session of Congress beginning on March 28, 1997, to review the management plan and regulations before they take effect. After forty-five days, the management plan and regulations automatically become final and take effect, unless the Governor of the State of Hawaii certifies within the forty-five-day period to the Secretary of Commerce that the management plan, regulations, or term thereof is unacceptable. In such case, the management plan, regulation or term cannot take effect in the area of the Sanctuary lying within the seaward boundary of the State of Hawaii.

Copies of the FEIS/MP are available on request by calling Allen Tom, On-site Project Specialist, Kihei, Maui, Hawaii, at 879-2818 (see, 62 F.R. 14799, March 28, 1997).

### Federal Property for the Homeless

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has identified various federal properties on Aliamanu Military Reservation, Wheeler Army Airfield, Tripler Army Medical Center, Schofield Barracks, and Fort Shafter as suitable to assist the homeless. For more information, contact Mark Johnston, Room 7256, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1226; TDD number for the hearing and speech impaired (202) 708-2565 (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1-800-927-7588 (see, 62 F.R. 13663, March 21, 1997).

### Hawai'i Superfund Sites

The latest Superfund list still shows Del Monte Corporation Oahu Plantation, along with the following federal facilities: Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area; Pearl Harbor Naval Complex; and Schofield Barracks (see, 62 F.R. 15571, April 1, 1997).

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## EPA Speaks

The EPA did not deem a review of the Final EIS for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whales and Their Habitat National Marine Sanctuary Management Plan/Implementation necessary and no formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency (see, 62 F.R. 14906, March 28, 1997).

## Fish Meetings

The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council will hold its 92nd meeting on April 21-25, 1997, at the Ala Moana Hotel Garden Lanai and the Pakalana/Anthurium Rooms. Call 522-8220 for specific information (see, 62 F.R. 15157, March 31, 1997).

## Endangered Tree Snail (*Achatinella*) Permit No. 826600

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced that Professor Michael G. Hadfield, requested a permit to take (capture, measure, mark collect tissue samples, relocate, release, and captive breed the O'ahu tree snails (*Achatinella spp.*) on O'ahu in conjunction with ecological and life history studies for the purpose of enhancing their survival. Most of these activities (capture, measure, mark, collect tissue samples, release, and captive breed Oahu tree snails) have been previously authorized under subpermit HADFMG-6. Written data or comments must be received by **APRIL 30, 1997**, by the Chief, Division of Consultation and Conservation Planning, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181; FAX: 503-231-6243. Please refer to the respective permit number when submitting comments (see, 62 F.R. 15192, March 31, 1997).

## Marine Mammals Scientific Research Permit (PHF#850-1342)

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announced the receipt of an application from Lucy W. Keith, Boston University for a permit to take Hawaiian monk seals (*Monachus schauinslandi*) for purposes of scientific research.

Written comments must be received by the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910, on or before **APRIL 21, 1997** (see, 62 F.R. 13367, March 20, 1997).

## Allotment of Drinking Water Monies

The EPA announced its decision on allotment of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) monies to States. Hawai'i will receive \$12,558,800 for FY97 and \$7,121,300 for FY98 (see, 62 F.R. 12899, March 18, 1997).

## Proposed Endangered Status for Blackburn's Sphinx Moth

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service is proposing endangered status for Blackburn's sphinx moth (*Manduca blackburni*). This species was found on the Hawaiian islands of Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i, Maui, and Hawai'i, but is currently known only from one population on Maui. This moth has been affected or is currently threatened by one or more of the following; habitat degradation, introduced animals, and biological pest control. Due to its currently restricted distribution and small population size, this species is also threatened by naturally occurring events. Comments from all interested parties must be received by **JUNE 2, 1997**. Public hearing requests must be received by **MAY 19, 1997**. Comments and materials concerning this proposal should be sent to Robert P. Smith, Pacific Islands Ecoregion Manager, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 6307, P.O. Box 50167, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96850 (see, 62 F.R. 15640, April 2, 1997, for details).

## Aiea Sugar Mill

*The following are excerpts from a comment letter written by Claire Tamamoto on the EISPN for the Aiea Sugar Mill project. The response given by the applicant is reproduced in bold text below.*

### The Depth of History

The Aiea Sugar Mill is the only white sugar refinery on this island. It was used as an example to mainland refineries and planners of refineries, of sugar mills in Hawaii. If the definition of the environment includes what affects the well being of those who live in it, a serious look should be made at what the destruction of the Aiea Sugar Mill means to this community. The Aiea Sugar Mill is not on the National Historic Registry by chance or age.

The mill represents the heart, soul, and heritage of the Aiea Community. There are many who are willing to work toward finding a practical way to combine utility to the owner, practical economics, cultural preservation, and economic sustaining strength for the future of the property. The can be strength to support flexibility and variances as may be practical. We hope the opportunity is not lost to the rush to sell at a highest and best purely economic use at the expense of Aiea. We appeal to Crazy Shirts to open the dialog without the premise of "for sale".

### Response

**The Draft Environmental Impact Statement has a discussion on the history of the mill. In addition, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will clearly state the community's desire to maintain to the maximum extent possible the Aiea Sugar Mill as it currently exists, or upgraded for public/park considerations. To this end, it is already anticipated that one of the unresolved issues in both the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Statements will be the community concern for its potential destruction. It will also be clearly stated in the Draft and Final Environmental Statements that Crazy Shirts, Inc. is actively seeking prospective buyers who are interested in creating a development that allows this community concern to be solved.**

### Effect on Aiea Stream/Paving effect on runoff

The proposed shopping center could have serious impact on the properties also along Aiea Stream. It is expected that a proper study will consider the cumulative effect of up-stream changes in Aiea Gulch, including the paving of large areas upstream and on the mill site. It seems

logical that paving promotes quick runoff and diminishes absorption. Should the developer of the mill site concrete channel the stream to the harbor in all fairness to the down stream owners, who may otherwise be more likely to be flooded?

### Response

**The Aiea Sugar Mill site is already an industrial site. There are large areas of impervious surfaces, or areas with reduced ability to percolate rainwater into the soil. Redevelopment of the property into a commercial configuration with parking lot areas and rooftop areas will provide a slight increase in runoff entering Aiea Stream; however, it will not be significant. The exact information will be presented in the Environmental Impact Statement. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will also include a drainage study evaluating the impact of channelizing a portion of Aiea Stream. The channelization covers approximately 700 linear feet of Aiea Stream and all stream flow will be returned to natural stream flow conditions before leaving the Aiea Sugar Mill property. The drainage study will show that future runoff leaving the Aiea Sugar Mill property will be essentially identical to which exists under the existing condition. There will be no technical reason to predict a greater chance of flooding in down stream locations.**

