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Waiola Park & Sports Complex

The City and County of Honolulu proposes to develop a regional park and a sports complex on a 269-acre site in Waipio, Central Oahu. The project is makai-ewa of the Kipapa Gulch and Kamehameha Highway intersection. The land is owned by Castle and Cooke, Inc.

The City proposes to acquire the land and provide the necessary on-site and off-site improvements. These improvements include roadways, parking, restrooms, a well site, irrigation, lighting, sewer lines and undergrounding of overhead powerlines. Private funds may be used to construct some of the athletic facilities in the sports complex, primarily the baseball and tennis facilities. The project development is estimated to cost \$112 million.

Precious Corals Fishery

The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council is seeking comments on a draft amendment to the Fishery Management Plan for the Precious Corals Fishery of the Western Pacific Region. Presently, the Council is operating in an environment of great uncertainty with regard to the distribution and abundance of precious coral resources.

The draft amendment establishes a framework procedure for the Fishery Management Plan. Under the framework procedure new management measures may be added through rulemaking if new information demonstrates that there are biological, social, or economic concerns in the precious coral permit areas. The framework process authorizes the implementation of measures that may affect the fishing season, classification of coral beds, harvest quotas, size restrictions, gear restrictions, area restrictions, incidental catches and permit conditions. For more information, please see page 19.

In addition to baseball and tennis facilities, the project proposes bicycle/pedestrian paths, softball facilities, a boxcar racing track, basketball/volleyball courts, skateboard bowls, in-line hockey courts, a passive recreation area, a community center and an aquatic center. The passive recreation area includes a botanical garden and areas for picnicking, and buffer areas. A nine-hole golf course may be included in lieu of two baseball fields if these fields are not needed to attract a professional team spring training program.

Probable adverse impacts include: loss of agricultural land; disruption of scenic views; traffic with accompanying noise and air-borne pollutants; and increase in water consumption. For more, please see page 6.

Stormwater Discharge Rules

The EPA is seeking comments on proposed stormwater discharge rules under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) which would expand the existing stormwater program to include smaller municipalities and construction sites that would disturb 1 to 5 acres. The current system regulates major industrial facilities, large and medium city storm sewers and construction sites that disturb 5 or more acres. Please see page 19.

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Definitions

Your guide to the Environmental Review Process

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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Oahu Notices

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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Manoa Stream Bank Erosion and Stabilization Structure

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-9-26:04 & 05
Applicant: Manoa Village Association
2939 East Manoa Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822
Contact: Mel Miyamoto (733-3223)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land & Natural Resources
1151 Punchbowl St.
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Cecil Santos (587-0433)

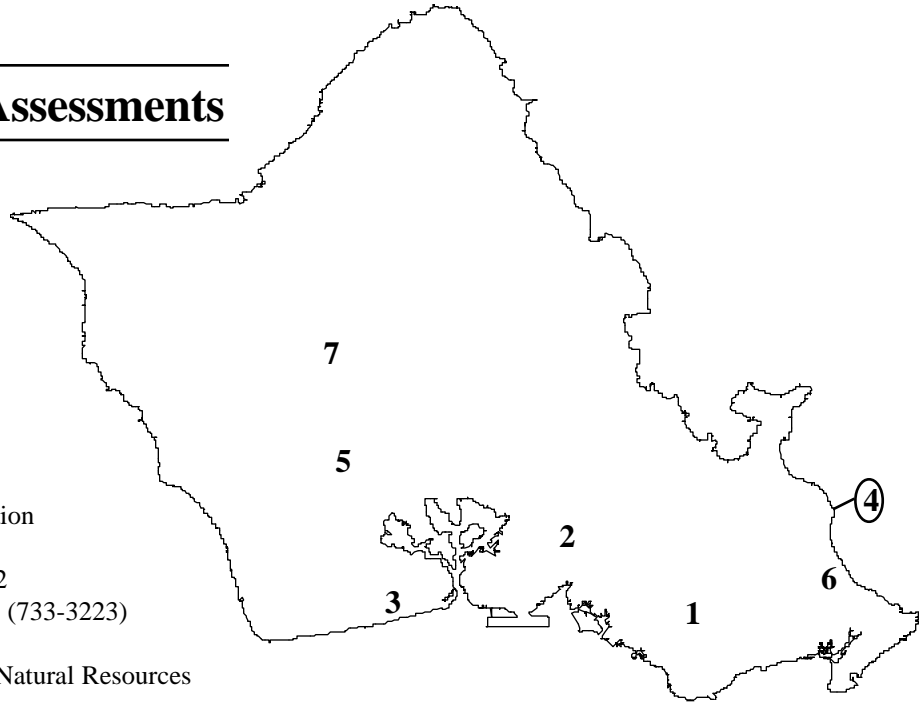
Consultant: LP & D Hawaii
126 Queen Street, Suite 306
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Michael Chu (537-4674)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998
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.

Permits Required: 401 WQC, grading, stream channel alteration

An improvement project consisting of an erosion and stabilization structure and landscaping is proposed by the Manoa Village Homeowner's Association (applicant). This project is proposed to alleviate erosion that has been steadily occurring along a section of an exposed embankment at Manoa Stream. The project will occur primarily on State land, but shall be funded and constructed by the applicant. It is anticipated that the project will result in improvements to the stream flow, a reduction in erosion and siltation, and will protect the adjacent Manoa Village site from property loss and hazards associated with storm conditions and heavy stream flows.



In proposing the work, the applicant petitions the State of Hawaii for the granting of a retaining wall and landscaping easement (approximately 1550 sf) and necessary approvals that will allow the applicant to construct the proposed erosion and stabilization structure on State property.

Generally, the project will consist of site grading and the construction of a "wall-like" structure along 90 linear feet of Manoa Stream. The applicant proposes to utilize a "gabion" embankment system. It will consist of steel wire mesh baskets which are filled with loose stones and are stacked, in a battered fashion, to a height of approximately 9 feet. The structure will be approximately 90 feet in length and will be located between two existing wall structures.



(2) Moanalua Nonpotable Well

District: Ewa
TMK: 1-1-012:013
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: City and County of Honolulu
Board of Water Supply
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843
Contact: Raymond Sato (527-6180)

Consultant: R. M. Towill Corporation
420 Waiakamilo Road, Suite 411
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817-4941
Contact: Brian Takeda (842-1133)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998
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.

Permits Required: Well construction, pump installation, water use, NPDES & noise permits; DP Public Facilities map

The Board of Water Supply (BWS), City and County of Honolulu, proposes to drill an exploratory well. The proposed site is located at Moanalua Golf Course at the entrance to Moanalua Valley. The project site is located at the northeast end of the golf course, adjacent to an existing residential neighborhood off of Ala Aolani Street, which is the primary access into and out of Moanalua Valley. The exploratory well is intended for future use as a non-potable production well to irrigate the greens and landscaping of Moanalua Golf Course. Drinking water quality standards will not be required for development of the well, however, water quality must be suitable for irrigation purposes. Estimated yield of the exploratory well is 0.2 million gallons per day.



(3) Ocean Pointe Common Area Facility

District: Ewa
TMK: 9-1-11:1 & 2
Applicant: Haseko Homes
820 Mililani Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Paul Jordan (599-1444)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:
Department of Land Utilization
650 South King Street, 7th floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Dana Teramoto (523-4648)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority and OEQC.

Permits

Required: SMA, grading, sewer connection

The applicant proposes to construct an open pavilion, recreation center, pool, caretaker's cottage, a fence and gates.

A caretaker's cottage, guest quarters and storage structures currently exist on the property. These structures will be demolished prior to construction of the new structures.

The applicant will apply for a Minor (Shoreline) Structure permit for a fence and gates proposed within the shoreline setback area.

The project is part of the proposed Ocean Pointe Community for which several EIS's have been prepared, filed and accepted for the development formerly known as the Ewa Marina Community.

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



(4) Dilks Seawall Construction

District: Koolaupoko
TMK: 4-3-04:74 and 4-3-05:61
Applicant: John and Patricia Dilks
P.O. Box 4458
Carmel, California 93921

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Land Utilization
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Ardis Shaw-Kim (527-5349)

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Consultant: Plan Pacific, Inc.
737 Bishop Street, Suite 1520
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Robin Foster (521-9418 x 13)

Public Challenge

Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed
Permits Required: Shoreline setback variance, conservation district use, grading & building permits

The project site is located on two contiguous shoreline parcels at 1302 and 1286 Mokulua Drive in Lanikai. The properties are zoned R-10 Residential District and are occupied by single-family dwellings.

In April-May 1, 1996, the owners installed a sandbag revetment to stall ongoing erosion of the properties. They now propose to replace the sandbag revetment with a CRM (concrete-reinforced masonry) seawall, sited landward of the certified shoreline along the 150-foot frontage of the two parcels, flanked on either side with short return sections. Because of the severity of the shoreline erosion fronting the subject parcels, there is insufficient space seaward of the house foundation and concrete slab of the pool to construct anything but a near-vertical shore protection structure.

The top of the seawall will be at an elevation of 9 feet above mean sea level (msl), which is at or slightly above the existing grade of the property. The bottom of the wall will be placed approximately 3 feet below msl. Therefore, the total height of the wall is 12 feet. The existing sandbags that are still intact will be left in place along the seaward base of the wall, to provide additional scour protection and to facilitate construction of the wall.

The seawall will be constructed of rock set with cement mortar, and have a near-vertical slope. The bottom width of the wall will be about 7.5 feet tapering to a width of approximately 2 feet at the top. A 36-inch high safety railing will be installed on top of the wall.

The owners are applying for a shoreline setback variance to allow construction of the proposed CRM seawall.

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices (EISPN)



(5) Waiola Regional Park and Sports Complex

District: Ewa
TMK: 9-4-05:74
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Building Department
650 South King Street, 2nd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Warren Sato (527-6370)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Mayor, City and County of Honolulu
530 South King Street, 3rd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Consultant: Plan Pacific, Inc.
737 Bishop Street, Suite 1520
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: John Whalen (521-9418)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: EISPN First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: LUC boundary amendment, CWRM water use permit, grading permit

The City and County of Honolulu Building Department (lead agency) and Department of Parks and Recreation propose the development of a 269-acre regional park and sports complex in Central Oahu on a site known as "Waiola", which is bounded by Kipapa Gulch, Kamehameha Highway and the Waikele neighborhood.

Sports facilities to be accommodated in the master plan include baseball/softball fields, tennis courts, basketball/volleyball courts, skateboard bowls, in-line hockey courts, multi-purpose fields, a boxcar racing course, an aquatic center, a community center, and a training field house. In addition, there will be bicycle/pedestrian paths, restrooms, parking and internal circulation roads throughout the park, as well as maintenance building and yard and plant nursery.

Approximately 109 acres will consist of landscaped area passive recreation area for picnicking, kite-flying, a botanical garden and similar purposes. The master plan will also set aside an easement for a future extension of Paiwa Street, which has been planned as part of the regional roadway network. If this road extension plan is implemented, the portion of the roadway through the park will be designed as a parkway, with berms on either side, a landscaped median and separated bikeways; however, it will not be built as part of the park project itself.

The City will acquire the parcel, construct the necessary off-site infrastructure for the proposed uses, and provide the landscaping and facilities for the regional park. Private sector participation may be solicited for the construction of the baseball and/or tennis facilities to be used for professional sports training and events; however, these facilities will also be available for public use.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



(6) Bellows Air Force Station Construction of Unaccompanied Personnel Dormitory (Draft EA/FONSI)

District:

TMK: 4-1-15-01

Applicant: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Pacific Ocean Division
Building 230, ATTN: CEPOD-ET-ES
Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440
Contact: Edward Yamada (438-5421)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: 15th Air Base Wing
800 Scott Circle
Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii 96853-5328
Contact: MSGT Mike Hawley (449-1584 x 204)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998

The U.S. Air Force (USAF) proposes to construct an unaccompanied personnel dormitory on Bellows Air Force Station on the island of Oahu, Hawaii for use by unaccompa-

nied enlisted security personnel assigned to the installation. The proposed facility would house 26 personnel and include one-plus-one modules, laundry area, storage and lounge areas, physically challenged access to common areas, fire protection, landscaping, solar applications, and all other necessary support.



(7) Rock Crusher Operations at Schofield Barracks and Pohakuloa Training Area (Draft EA/FONSI)

District: Wahiawa and Hamakua
Applicant: Directorate of Public Works
U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii
Schofield Barracks, Hawaii 96857-5013
Contact: Peter Yuh, Jr. (656-2878 x 1051)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998

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Waimanalo Kupuna Housing Project

Applicant: Office of Hawaiian Affairs
711 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 500
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Stephen Morse (594-1905)
and
Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
P.O. Box 1879
Honolulu, Hawaii 96805
Contact: Ben Wong (586-3823)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
P.O. Box 1879
Honolulu, Hawaii 96805
Contact: Ben Wong (586-3823)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 9, 1998

Maui Notices

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(1) Keanae Restoration of Lo'i Kalo and Taro Cultivation Project

District: Hana
TMK: 1-1-8:05
Applicant: Na Moku Aupuni O Ko'olau Hui
HC 1, Box 62, Wailuanui Road
Haiku, Hawaii 96708
Contact: Edward Wendt (248-8658)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Land Division
54 South High St., Room 101
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Philip Ohta (984-8100)

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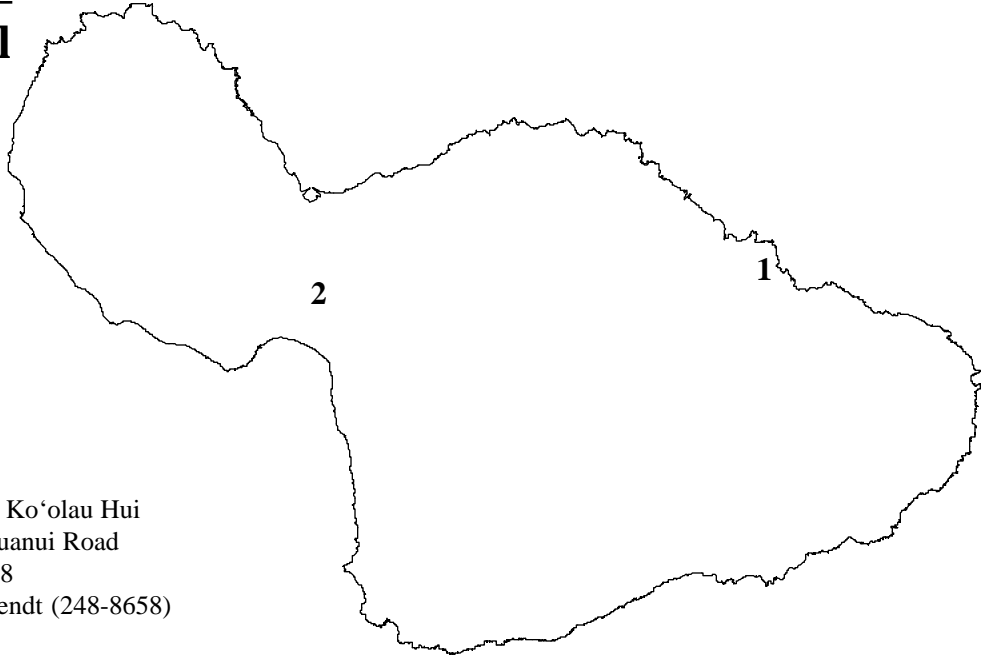
Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority and OEQC.

Permits

Required: Lease of state lands

The proposed project will provide Na Moku Aupuni O Ko'olau Hui the opportunity to restore the abandoned lo'i kalo, continued maintenance of the streams located within the subject parcel, and provide a land base for the Hui to sponsor activities which complies with its mission statement, specifically to educate and to perpetuate traditional kanaka maoli (indigenous) cultural practices, including but not limited to, taro cultivation and gathering of plant and animal species.

The applicant proposes to lease 121 acres of state lands located in the Keanae-Wailuanui ahupua'a. The Waiokamilo and Kualani streams are part of this parcel.



(2) Puunene MEO Transportation Facility

District: Wailuku
TMK: 3-8-8: por. 1
Applicant: Maui Economic Opportunity
189 Kaahumanu Ave.
Kahului, Hawaii 96732
Contact: Don Medeiros (877-7691)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Land Division
54 South High St., Room 101
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Philip Ohta (984-8100)

Consultant:

Chris Hart & Partners
1955 Main Street, Suite 200
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: John Min (242-1955)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998
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.

Permits

Required: County Conditional Use permit, LUC
Special Use permit

The proposed action involves the development of a bus and van transportation baseyard and maintenance facility for Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc. (MEO) at Puunene, island of Maui. The MEO maintains its existing transportation facility at 189 Kaahumanu Avenue in Kahului and must relocate its operations in order to make way for a planned State Civic project. MEO is the only provider of transportation services in Maui County for residents with special needs (i.e. persons with disabilities, elderly persons, etc.).

The new MEO Transportation Facility will be situated on approximately 7.5 acre portion of the old Puunene Airport, which is located between Kahului and Kihei and in the vicinity of the Mokulele Highway. The subject site is classified State Agricultural District and designated by the County of Maui for future industrial uses (Project District No. 10) in the Kihei-Makena Community Plan. The current County zoning is Agricultural District. The site is not located within the Special Management Area boundary, pursuant to HRS Chapter 205A. The subject site is located over a mile from existing residential developments in Central Maui.

Proposed improvements will include a one-story administration/dispatch building (6,342 sq. ft.) with wheel chair ramps and lanai area (1,120 sq. ft.); a one-story vehicle storage and maintenance structure (17,496 sq. ft.) with mezzanine (1,274 sq. ft.); wash facility building; fueling station; an above-ground fuel storage tank; water reclamation tank to reuse wash water; a 300,000 gallon fire protection water tank; fire protection wells; and pump. The proposed parking lot will accommodate 113 buses/vans and 148 cars.

The subject site, which is at the end of a runway of a former airport, is currently level and paved. Additional site grading work will be very minimal. The proposed project will not contribute to increased storm water runoff. During construction, short-term construction-related impacts (i.e. traffic, dust) are expected and will be mitigated by dust control and traffic safety measures. The subject site is not in sugar cane cultivation, and impacts of the proposed transportation facility on agricultural operations will be minimal. To mitigate the increased volume of vehicular traffic from the proposed project, improvements will be constructed at Mokulele Highway and its intersection with the access road to the project site and Maui Raceway Park, including turn lanes and acceleration/deceleration lanes. The proposed action will not adversely affect any known significant archaeological, historic or cultural sites or wildlife habitat areas.

Previously Published Projects

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📍 Cameron Center Expansion

Applicant: J. Walter Cameron Center
95 Mahalani Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Audrey Rocha-Reed (244-5546)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Housing & Human Concerns
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Stephanie Aveiro (243-7805)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 9, 1998

📍 Napili Hau Villages

Applicant: Napili Hau Villages Joint Venture
900 Fort Street, Suite 1560
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Kimo Lee (524-4065)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Maui Planning Commission
250 S. High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Public Comment

Deadline: February 9, 1998

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📍 Kahului Airport Improvements

Applicant: Dept. of Transportation, Airports Division
400 Rodgers Boulevard, Suite 700
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819-1880
Contact: Jerry Matsuda (838-8600)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
and
Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
800 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20591
Contact: FAA Assistant Administrator
(202-267-8938)

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

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(1) Ka'awaloa Orchards Agricultural Project District

District: South Kona
TMK: 8-1-09:19 & por. of 20
Applicant: Seamount Enterprises, LLC
dba Ka'awaloa Orchards
845 Bellevue Place East, Suite 308
Seattle, Washington 98102

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: County of Hawaii
Planning Department
25 Aupuni Street, Room 109
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Virginia Goldstein (961-8288)

Consultant: Carlsmith Ball Wichman Case & Ichiki
P.O. Box 656
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809-3402
Contact: Tim Lui-Kwan (523-2500)

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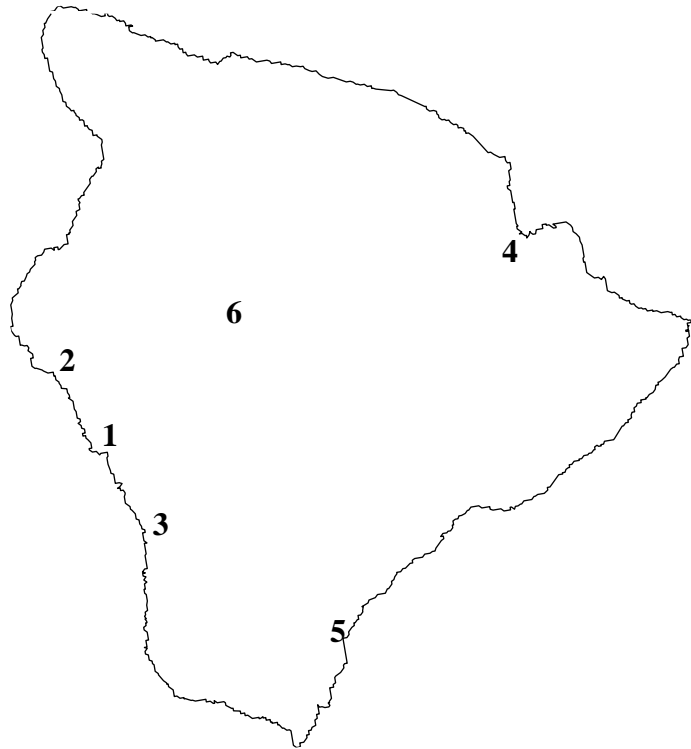
Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: SMA, grading & subdivision approval

The applicant wishes to convert an existing tropical fruit orchard operation situated on 22.511 acres of land into a 7-lot Agricultural Project District (APD) development which would consist of lot sizes from 3 to 3.5 acres. Protective covenants is proposed which would prohibit further subdivision for a period of 40 years. Other proposed covenants would:

1. maintain the existing tropical fruit orchard on each parcel as long as it remains viable. Each parcel must maintain a minimum of 85% of its total land area in agriculture.



2. provides for the establishment of farm dwellings accessory to the orchards. Only one farm dwelling will be permitted on each lot created with its building site area not to exceed 15% of the total parcel. Public retail sale of agricultural products from the lots will be prohibited;

3. establishes certain protective covenants for the maintenance of the needed infrastructural facilities and systems to support the agricultural operations. There is an existing private water system which provides adequate water to support the proposed agricultural project district operations. An existing private roadway will also be extended to service the proposed lots.

The proposed 7-lot APD subdivision will not result in a substantial change of use of the land, but a change in operation and ownership structure. The entire 22.511 acre property will continue to be cultivated in various tropical fruits, for which the existing farm is well known. Instead of single ownership and operation of a 22.5 acre orchard, the proposed agricultural project district will simply allow for individual ownership and operation of smaller and more-managable 3-acre orchards. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts to environmental, ecological, historical, cultural and economic resources are anticipated. The project site was previously grubbed/graded to accommodate the existing tropical fruit

orchard. DLNR-Historic Preservation Division concurs that the project will not "no adverse impact" to historic resources. Infrastructure to support the proposed subdivision are available or will be provided.

Effective October 23, 1997, the Hawaii County Council approved the applicant's request to re-zone the property to an Agricultural Project District (APD), which is intended to provide a flexible and creative planning approach for developments within the agricultural zoning districts, in lieu of specific land use designations. Under this planning approach, opportunities will be provided for a mix of small scale agricultural activities and associated residential uses, as well as larger agricultural projects. This district will also provide a vehicle to satisfy the demand for a rural lifestyle on marginal agricultural land, while decreasing the pressure to develop important agricultural land for this purpose. The planning approach would establish a continuity in land uses and designs, while providing for the needed infrastructural facilities and systems to support the various types of agricultural developments.

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(2) Ali`i Drive 12-Inch Waterline Replacement

District: North Kona
TMK: 7-5-06 and 07
Applicant: County of Hawaii
Department of Water Supply
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Glen Ahuna (961-8660)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Hawaii
Department of Water Supply
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Glen Ahuna (961-8660)

Consultant: Inaba Engineering, Inc.
273 Waiuanue Avenue
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Jason Inaba (961-3727)

Public Challenge

Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: NPDES, Community noise permits

The County of Hawaii Department of Water Supply is planning to replace an existing 6" waterline along portions of Palani Road, Ali`i Drive and Hualalai Road with a new 12" waterline. The existing 6" waterline is old, leaks, and does not provide adequate fire flow capacity. Installation of the new 12-inch line will provide for adequate fire flow protection and meet the water demands of the many small businesses and resort attractions in the Kailua Village area serviced by this new line.

The new 12" waterline will start at the Kuakini Hwy/Palani Road intersection, run along Palani Road to Ali`i Drive, along Ali`i Drive to Hualalai Road, then up Hualalai Road and connect to the existing water system at the Kuakini Hwy/Hualalai Road intersection. Approximately 3,475 lineal feet of new pipeline will be installed. The proposed new waterline will generally follow the existing waterline alignment. All of the proposed waterline will be within the existing county right-of-way. Existing fire hydrants and water service laterals will be replaced and additional fire hydrants will be added under this project. Other existing underground utilities within the right of way include sanitary sewer, sewer force mains, storm drains, gas, electrical and telephone. No adverse environmental impacts are anticipated since Kailua Village is fully developed along the proposed alignment and the proposed project will be constructed within the existing improved roadway corridor.



(3) Dungate Single Family Residence

District: South Kona
TMK: 8-7-19:32
Applicant: Peter C. and Harold V. Dungate
P.O. Box 89
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740
Contact: Steven Lim (935-6644)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Land Division
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Lauren Tanaka (587-0385)

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Consultant: Steven Lim, Attorney at Law (935-6644)
P.O. Box 686
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Public Challenge

Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed
Permits required: SMA, building, wastewater (DOH)

The oceanfront property, consisting of approximately 12,091 square feet, is 25 miles south of Kailua-Kona. Fifty feet inland from the shoreline, the rectangular-shaped parcel shares a common boundary with Ili-Ili beach.

A one-story residential dwelling of post-and-pier construction will have a living area of 900 square feet, in addition to a lanai and connecting walkway of 750 square feet, and a garage/water catchment storage area of 560 square feet.



(4) Hilo Institute for Astronomy

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-4-001:por. 7
Applicant: University of Hawaii
Institute for Astronomy
2680 Woodlawn Drive
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822
Contact: Dr. Robert McLaren (956-8768)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: University of Hawaii at Hilo
Administrative Affairs
200 West Kawili Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Mr. Lo-Li Chih (974-7595)

Consultant: Sidney Fuke (969-1522)
100 Pauahi Street, Suite 212
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Public Challenge

Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits
Required: Plan approval, building, grading, NPDES

The University of Hawaii Institute for Astronomy (IfA) is proposing to construct an astronomy base facility and related improvements on an 8.5 acre "ceded" land in Hilo, Hawaii. The site is located within the Research and Technol-

ogy Park of the University of Hawaii at Hilo (UHH). It is immediately east or makai of Komohana Street, above of the UHH campus. There are other sea-level facilities that support astronomy and telescope activities adjacent or in the immediate vicinity of the proposed facility.

Although the existing facility at the UH Manoa campus would still be retained, over the next 10 years, as much as 70 percent of the functions would be transferred to the new facility. When completed, the new facility would support the operation facilities for the UH telescopes on the summit of Mauna Kea, including the research and maintenance of the telescopes. It would also provide technical and other support staff for summit activities.

The proposed 35-foot high, split-level building would have 34,857 square feet of floor area. The lower level would consist of about 14,500 square feet, while the upper level would have about the 20,357 square feet. There would be office space, research labs, library, meeting rooms, and the like. There would also be 85 standard and 4 handicapped stalls. A 40,000 square foot addition is planned for the balance of the site in the future.

Based on previous OEQC reviews of approved facilities within the University Park, no significant long-term impacts on the subject site or adjacent areas, flora and fauna, government services, historical and visual resources, and air and water quality are expected with the proposed use, and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been issued by the agency.



(5) Ka'u Hawaiian Cultural Center

District: Ka'u
TMK: 9-5-19:34
Applicant: Hana Laulima Lahui O Ka'u, Inc.
P.O. Box 839
Na'alehu, Hawaii 96772
Contact: Dane Shibuya (929-7159)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 936
Hilo, Hawaii 96721-0936
Contact: Charlene Unoki (974-6203)

Consultant: Pacific Business Insights, Inc.
P.O. Box 145
Honaunau, Hawaii 96726
Contact: Jack Geer (328-9981)

Public Challenge

Deadline: February 23, 1998

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed

The Ka'u Hawaiian Cultural Center (KHCC) is proposed by Hana Laulima Lahui O Ka'u, Inc. ("Hana Laulima") a "grass-roots" community-based organization. Hana Laulima proposed the development of the community-based rural Hawaiian cultural center to attract more tourist revenues to Ka'u, create jobs, generate opportunities for Hawaiian arts & handicrafts entrepreneurs, help preserve the unique culture and history of Ka'u, and help educate visitors and residents about rural Ka'u Hawaiian culture. The sugar plantation closed in March, 1996 and severely depressed the economy of the district of Ka'u. The KHCC will provide an opportunity for the people of Ka'u to help themselves and help shape their own destiny. Ecotourism is the quickest growing sector of the tourism industry, expanding 5 to 10 percent a year worldwide. The district of Ka'u is ideal for ecotourism, as it is rich in unique natural, cultural and historical offerings.

The KHCC design reflects traditional Hawaiian construction, and complements its rural setting in Punalu'u near significant Hawaiian cultural and historic sites. The KHCC includes a small building with bathrooms and three main rooms: multi-purpose room for classes/meetings or dining, commercial kitchen available for use by community entrepreneurs, and museum/gift shop. The KHCC also includes a cultural events stage with traditional rock Hawaiian seating arena. Cultural events, fundraisers, educational and cultural demonstrations, and community gatherings will be held at the KHCC cultural events stage. The KHCC museum will feature Hawaiian artifacts, art, sculpture and carvings, historical items and photographs about the people, culture and history of Ka'u. The gift shop will feature Hawaiian arts and handicrafts created by local artists. The KHCC multi-purpose room will host classes and demonstrations. Most of the KHCC 5.25 acre site will be the Hawaiian botanical garden which will provide agricultural products for creating Hawaiian arts, handicrafts and food items; and be an educational experience for visitors and residents. The KHCC will be a sustainable ecotourist attraction as well as a community center.

The project site is located on Mamalahoa Highway at Alanui Road in Punalu'u.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



(6) Rock Crusher Operations at Schofield Barracks and Pohakuloa Training Area (Draft EA/FONSI)

The 84th Engineer Battalion (Combat)(Heavy), 45th Corps Support Group (Forward), US Army, propose to replace their old, dilapidated rock crusher with a new, mobile crusher and to upgrade the existing Kolekole Quarry site at Schofield Barracks, Oahu. The rock crusher would be located at the Kolekole Quarry for approximately nine months out of the year and at an existing quarry at Pohakuloa Training Area (PTA) on the island of Hawaii the other three months of the year. It is anticipated the Kolekole Quarry would operate two days a week and process less than 50,000 tons of rock per year, while the PTA Quarry would process less than 30,000 tons of crushed rock per year during field training exercises.

Upon completion of an environmental assessment on the proposed action, it has been concluded that the proposed replacement of the old rock crusher with a new, mobile crusher and its operation at an upgraded Kolekole Quarry at Schofield Barracks and at the existing PTA Quarry would not have any unmitigable, significant adverse impacts on the environment. The proposed action does not constitute a major Federal action having significant effects on the quality of the human environment, and therefore, does not require the completion of an Environmental Impact Statement, as defined by AR 200-2.

The comment deadline for this Finding of No Significant Impact is February 23, 1998. Please send comments to:

Peter Yuh, Jr.
Environmental Division
Directorate of Public Works
U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii
Schofield Barrack, HI 96857-5013

(See Oahu Notices, page 7.)

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► 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

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

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► University of Hawaii at Hilo, University Park

Applicant: Department of Accounting and General Services
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 427
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Gina Ichiyama (586-0474)

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 was accepted by the Governor December 17, 1997.



Conservation District Management Plan Discussion Draft - Notice of Public Informational Meetings

The Department of Land and Natural Resources is conducting a comprehensive statewide study to improve the management and regulation of land use occurring within the State Conservation District. Specific objectives include review of the existing Conservation District subzones and formulation of proposed changes to the existing regulatory regime, based on a natural resource inventory. As part of the review process, the DLNR will be conducting public information meetings in each county to present the consultant's preliminary findings and recommendations as contained in the Discussion Draft Conservation District Management Plan. Copies of the Discussion Draft Conservation District Management Plan will be available for public review at all State Libraries, and at the DLNR Land Division Offices in Honolulu, Kauai, Maui and Hawaii.

Individual copies of the Discussion Draft Conservation District Management Plan are available and may be ordered directly from Island Printing Center, 737 Bishop Street, Suite 149, Honolulu, Hawaii. The cost of a copy of the full report, with tables and maps for all islands, is \$22.68. Postage is extra. To order, telephone James Rogers, District Manager, at (808) 523-0902.

Written comments on the Discussion Draft Conservation District Management Plan will be accepted at the scheduled public information meetings, or can be mailed to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Land Division, Planning Section, at 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813. All written comments must be received by the DLNR by March 15, 1998.

All of the scheduled public information meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the following dates and locations:

Date:	Thursday, January 22, 1998
Place:	Washington Intermediate School Cafeteria Honolulu, Hawaii
Date:	Tuesday, January 27, 1998
Place:	Mitchell Pauole Center Kaunakakai, Molokai
Date:	Wednesday, January 28, 1998
Place:	Maui Planning Department Hearing Room Wailuku, Maui
Date:	Tuesday, February 3, 1998
Place:	State Office Building Conference Rooms A, B, & C Hilo, Hawaii
Date:	Wednesday, February 4, 1998
Place:	Old Kona Airport State Park Pavilion Kailua-Kona, Hawaii
Date:	Monday, February 9, 1998
Place:	State Office Building Conference Rooms A, B, & C Lihue, Kauai

For further information on the Conservation District Management Plan, or the scheduled statewide public information meetings, please contact Edward E. Henry at (808) 587-0377.

Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Hanapepe Well Development, Transmission, and Appurtenances

District: Waimea
TMK: 1-8-13:36; 1-7-06:por. 05, 06; 1-8-06:por. 02; and 1-8-07:por. 10
Applicant: County of Kauai, Department of Water
P.O. Box 1706
Lihue, Hawaii 96766-5706
Contact: Gregg Fujikawa (245-5416)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: County of Kauai, Department of Water
P.O. Box 1706
Lihue, Hawaii 96766-5706
Contact: Gregg Fujikawa (245-5416)

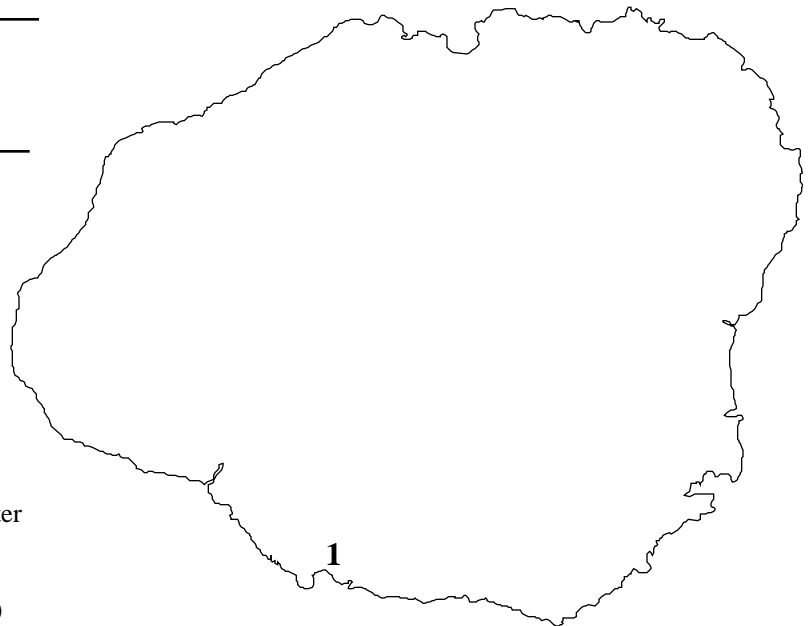
Consultant: Fukunaga & Associates, Inc.
1388 Kapiolani Boulevard, 2nd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814
Contact: Valerie Suzuki (944-1821)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 23, 1998
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Well construction permit, Planning Department Use permit, NPDES

The Kauai County, Department of Water (DOW), proposes to develop the existing Hanapepe Well No. 4 and construct a 12-inch transmission line approximately 3,600 lineal feet long from the well to an existing reservoir (Reservoir 402), which is within the Hanapepe-Eleele Water System. The development of Hanapepe Well No. 4 (which is at a higher elevation) will provide a more reliable ground water source and also provide more source capacity to meet maximum day demand requirements. The Hanapepe-Eleele water system, owned and operated by the Kauai County, Department of Water (DOW), presently relies on three well sources located in the Hanapepe River Valley. Routine access



to the existing well sites have often been hampered by flooding of the Hanapepe River, potentially leaving the system vulnerable to supply disruption and potential contamination.

The main project area is located north of Hanapepe Town in the Waimea District of the island of Kauai. The area is mauka (north) of the Cliffside at Hanapepe residential subdivision (a new subdivision above the Hanapepe Heights subdivision), between Kapahili Gulch and Papalu Gulch. The proposed project will be constructed on land owned by the State of Hawaii and Gay and Robinson. Vehicular access to the area is via Moi Road (the nearest improved County street) and cane haul roads owned and maintained by Gay and Robinson.

The project includes installation of a line shaft vertical turbine pump with a water pre-lubrication system, the construction of a pump control building, pump controls and appurtenances, chlorination facilities and electrical work at the well site; constructing the 12-inch transmission main from Hanapepe Well No. 4 to the existing reservoir through existing dirt roads and Kapahili Gulch; and constructing a bypass at another reservoir, Reservoir 212 site to permit flow from Reservoir 402 to Reservoir 212.

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Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: February 9, 1998

Draft Environmental Assessments

● Wapaa Road Realignment, Nawiliwili Harbor

Applicant: Department of Transportation, Harbors
Division
79 S. Nimitz Highway
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Carter Luke (587-1959)



Shoreline Notices

Shoreline Certification Applications

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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-655	12/30/97	Lot 10-A of Kawailoa Beach Lots at Kawailoa, Waialoa, Oahu (61-651 Kamehameha Highway)	Wes Tengan for Marina Whyte	6-1-10:05
OA-656	11/13/97	Lot-A being Por of RP 7984, LCAw 4452, Ap 13, to H. Kalama and RP 5583, LCAw 2937, Part 10 Sec. 1, to W. Harbottle, Malae and Panahana, Kaneohe, Koolau-poko, Oahu (44-307 Kaneohe Bay Drive)	Wm Dean Alcon & Associates for Paul Sullivan	4-4-7:15
HA-193	12/31/97	Lots 13 and 14 of Hualalai Resort "K-1", Subdiv. (File Plan 2184) being Por of RP 7843, LCAw 7715. Ap 10, to L. Kamehameha at Kaupulehu, N. Kona, Hawaii (Kailua-Kona, Hawaii - Vacant Lot)	Wes Thomas Associates for Kaupulehu Makai Venture	7-2-12:13 & 14
HA-194	12/31/97	Lot 12 of Hualalai Resort "K-1", Subdiv., (File Plan 2184) being a por of RP 7843, LCAw 7715. Ap 10, to L. Kamehameha, Kaupulehu, N. Kona, Hawaii (Kailua-Kona, Hawaii - Vacant Lot)	Wes Thomas Associates for Kaupulehu Makai Venture	7-2-12:12
KA-020	01/05/98	Lot 2-A, Ld Ct App 956, Koloa, Kauai (2195 Hoone Road)	Esaki Surveying & Mapping, Inc. for Ronald Semler	2-8-17:06

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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.

Case No.	Date Cert/Rej	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA-086	Certified 01/13/98	Lots 3 & 4 of Ld Ct App 616, Lanikai, Kailua, Koolaupoko, Oahu (1240 Mokulua Drive)	Hawaii Land Consultants for Dr. James Watson	4-3-05:76
OA-653	Certified 01/13/98	Lot 32-B, Ld Ct App 776, Laie, Koolauloa, Oahu (55-66-A Naupaka Street)	Walter P. Thompson, Inc. for Diane Rowe)	5-5-10:36
OA-654	Certified 01/13/98	Lot 62-B, Pupukea-Paumalu Beach Lots, Pupukea & Paumalu, Koolauloa, Oahu (Ke Nui Road)	Walter P. Thompson, Inc. for Kevin David	5-9-19:47
HA-143	Certified 01/13/98	Lot 25, Puako Beach Lots, Lalamilo, S. Kohala, Hawaii (69-1882 Puako Road)	Don McIntosh Consulting for Weona Sutton	6-9-06:25
MA-046	Certified 01/13/98	Lot 3, Ld Ct App 1744 (Map 2), Kaanapali, Lahaina, Maui (2525 Kaanapali Parkway)	Valera, Inc. for Kaanapali Beach Hotel	4-4-08:03
MA-187	Certified 01/13/98	Por of RP 4954, LCAw 4955, Ap 1 to Kapuhi, Haneoo, Hana, Maui (Haneoo Road)	Valera, Inc. for Gary Stice	1-4-08:01
MA-188	Certified 01/13/98	Lot 52 & 53, Makena Beach Lots, Por of LCAw 11,216, Ap 21 to M. Kekauonohi, Honuaula, Makawao, Maui (4492 & 4500 Keoneoio Makena Road)	Akamai Land Surveying for County of Maui	2-1-11:15 & 16
MA-189	Certified 01/13/98	Por of RP 1663, Ap 1, LCAw 5524, Ap 1, to L. Koina & RP 2236, LCAw 8522-B, Ap 1 to Kale Davis, Honokahua, Napili 2 & 3, Lahaina, Maui (Lower Honoapiilani Road)	Warren Unemori Engineering, Inc. for Kapalua Coconut Grove LLC	4-2-04:26
MA-190	Certified 01/13/98	Lot 92, Ld Ct App 1744 (Map 80), Hanakaoo, Lahaina, Maui (20 Kai Ala Place)	Austin, Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc. for John & Pamela Rutledge	4-4-14:11
MO-032	Certified 01/13/98	RP 6070, LCAw 3821, Ap 2 to Puupuu, Ualapue, Molokai (Ualapue, Molokai)	Charles M. Busby for Mike & Nancy Peterson	5-6-01:28
MO-050	Certified 01/13/98	Esmt 220, Ld Ct App 1683, Map 23, Affecting Por of Lot 403, Appurtenant to Lot 296, Ld Ct App 1683, Map 19, Kaluakoi, Molokai (Kaluakoi, Molokai)	Charles M. Busby for Michael & Carol Tahmoush	5-1-56: Por.156

Pollution Control Permits

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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.

Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Covered Source Permit	Gay and Robinson, Inc., No. 0218-01-C	Kaumakani, Kauai TMK 1-7-06-1	Issued: 1/02/98	Bagasse/Oil-fired and Seed Plant Boilers
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Waiialua Sugar Company, No. 0221-01-C	Waiialua Sugar Mill, Waiialua, Oahu	Issued: 1/06/98	258 MMBTU/Hr. Boiler
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Maui Electric Company, Ltd., No. 0067-01-C	Maalaea Generating Station, Maalaea, Maui	Issued: 1/06/98	Two 20 MW Combustion Turbine Generators
CAB, Covered Source Permit	BHP Petroleum Americas Refining, No. 0367-01-C	2 Sand Island Access Road, Honolulu, Oahu	Issued: 1/13/98	Petroleum Storage Tank and Truck Load Rack
Safe Drinking Water Branch, 586-4258, Underground Injection Control	Big Island Candies, Inc., UH-1990	Big Island Candies Building, Hinanao St., Hilo, Hawaii	NA	Construction of five new drywells for surface drainage
SDWB, UIC	Department of Hawaiian Homelands, UH-1993	Villages of Lai Opua - Village 3, Keanalehu Drive, Hawaii	TBA	Construction of 23 new drywells for surface drainage
SDWB, UIC	Department of Accounting and General Services, UH-1817A	Mt. View Elementary School Cafetorium; 18-1235 Volcano Hwy., Mountain View, Puna, Hawaii	Comments Due: 3/2/98	Construction of two new drywells for surface drainage
SDWB, UIC	Royal Waikoloan, UH-1997	Royal Waikoloan Resort, 69-275 Waikoloa Beach Drive, South Kohala, Hawaii	NA	Permit registration of one existing drywell for surface drainage
SDWB, UIC	Dept. of Public Works, County of Hawaii, UH-1998	Kona Road Improvements, Phase II, Alii Drive & Hualalai Rd., Hawaii	NA	Construction of three new drywells for surface drainage
SDWB, UIC	Coca-Cola USA, UO- 1991 & 1992	Coca-Cola USA, Honolulu Syrup Branch, 91-233 Kalaeloa Blvd., Campbell Ind. Park, Oahu	NA	Permit registration of two existing injection wells for process and washwater
SDWB, UIC	Naval Computer Telecom Area, Master Station, Eastern Pacific, UO-1994	VLF Radio Transmitting Facility, Bldg. 2, Luualalei, Marconi, St., Oahu	NA	Permit registration for one existing injection well for cooling, drainage, and sewage
SDWB, UIC	U.S. Dept. of the Navy, UO-1995 & 1996	Barbers Point NAS Ewa, TMK 9-1-13:1, Oahu	NA	Permit registration of 250 drywells for surface drainage & 5 injection wells for industrial discharges
SDWB, UIC	Association of Apartment Owners, Poipu Makai Condominium, UK-1830	1677 Pee Rd., Koloa, Kauai	NA	Permit renewal of two injection wells for sewage disposal

Proposed Stormwater Discharge Rules

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency is seeking public comment on proposed stormwater discharge rules under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) which would expand the existing stormwater program to include smaller municipalities and construction sites that disturb 1 to 5 acres (as opposed to the current system which regulates major industrial facilities, large and medium city storm sewers and construction sites that disturb 5 or more acres). An original comment letter on the proposed rule along with three copies, must be sent by mail **NO LATER THAN APRIL 9, 1998** to: ATTN: Storm Water Proposed Rule Comment Clerk-W-97-12, Water Docket, Mail Code 4101, EPA, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. For Hawai'i and other western states, there will be a presentation/public hearing on the proposed rule on **MARCH 6, 1998** from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. at the Marianas/Palau Room, First Floor, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California, 94105-3901. For more information, please call Mr. George Utting at (202) 260-5816 (see, 63 F.R. 1536, January 9, 1998).

Extension of Review Period for Saddle Road DEIS

In a January 6, 1998, notice, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency announced that the Federal Highway Administration's comment period on the Saddle Road (HI-200) Improvements DEIS was extended to **JANUARY 16, 1998** (see, 63 F.R. 1455, January 9, 1998).

Final Criteria for Census County Division Program

Effective **FEBRUARY 9, 1998**, the U. S. Bureau of the Census, has issued criteria for Census 2000 which apply to states (like Hawai'i) with Census County Divisions (as opposed to Minor Civil Divisions). For more information, please call Dr. Joel Morrison at (301) 457-1132 (see, 63 F.R. 1426, January 9, 1998).

Comments Needed on Triennial Exercise Schedule

The U. S. Coast Guard, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Research and Special Programs Administration and the Minerals Management Service announced the triennial schedule of the Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP) for 1998, 1999 and 2000. The Marine Safety Office On-Scene Coordinator, Honolulu is listed for 1999 in the Hawaii/Samoa area. The EPA On-Scene Coordinator is listed for a Region IX Oceania exercise and a Region IX exercise in the year 2000 (for details, see, 63 F.R. 1143, January 8, 1998).

EPA on the Kahului Airport FEIS

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency did not deem a review of the Kahului Airport FEIS necessary and no formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency (see, 63 F.R. 74, January 2, 1998).

Draft Amendment 3, Precious Corals Fishery

The Western Pacific Fisheries Management Council is seeking comments on Draft Amendment 3 to the Precious Corals Fishery Management Plan. The draft amendment establishes a framework procedure for the plan. Under the framework procedure new management measures may be added through rulemaking if new information demonstrates that there are biological, social, or economic concerns in the precious coral permit areas. The framework authorizes the implementation of measures that may affect the fishing season, classification of coral beds, harvest quotas for all management unit species, size restrictions, gear restrictions, area restrictions, incidental catches and permit conditions. Each action taken under the framework would entail documentation of the analysis of impacts of that action. To the extent appropriate, the Council would prepare regulations, regulatory analyses, environmental assessments, or other documents. Draft Amendment 3 would also include the exclusive economic zone of the Northern Mariana Islands under the FMP as a new Exploratory Permit Area. To provide greater opportunity for public involvement, the Council directed its staff to formally submit the amendments only if no substantive or critical comments are received.

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Comments must be received by the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council **NO LATER THAN MARCH 2, 1998**. Written comments should be sent to, and copies of Draft Amendment 3 are available from the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, telephone 522-8220 (see, 63 F.R. 2195, January 14, 1998).

Mau Zone Bottomfish Fishery, Northwestern Hawaiian Islands

The Western Pacific Fisheries Management Council will meet on Maui, O'ahu, and Kaua'i to solicit comment on a limited access program proposed for the Mau Zone Bottomfish Fishery in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands. The meetings will be held as follows. **MAUI: JANUARY 27, 1998, 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.**, Lihikai Elementary School, 335 Papa Street, Kahului. **OAHU: JANUARY 28, 1998, 6:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.**, Council Office, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu. **KAUAI: JANUARY 29, 1998, 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.**, Wilcox Elementary School, 4319 Hardy Street, Lihue. For more information, please call 522-8220 (see, 63 F.R. 2364, January 15, 1998).

Submission Deadlines for 1998 Environmental Notice

SUBMISSION DEADLINE	ENVIRONMENTAL NOTICE ISSUED DATE	30-DAY COMMENT DEADLINE	45-DAY COMMENT DEADLINE
December 26, 1997	January 8, 1998	February 9, 1998	February 23, 1998
January 12, 1998	January 23, 1998	February 23, 1998	March 9, 1998
January 28, 1998	February 8, 1998	March 10, 1998	March 25, 1998
February 10, 1998	February 23, 1998	March 25, 1998	April 9, 1998
February 25, 1998	March 8, 1998	April 7, 1998	April 22, 1998
March 11, 1998	March 23, 1998	April 22, 1998	May 7, 1998
March 27, 1998	April 8, 1998	May 8, 1998	May 26, 1998
April 13, 1998	April 23, 1998	May 26, 1998	June 8, 1998
April 28, 1998	May 8, 1998	June 8, 1998	June 22, 1998
May 13, 1998	May 23, 1998	June 22, 1998	July 7, 1998
May 27, 1998	June 8, 1998	July 8, 1998	July 23, 1998
June 10, 1998	June 23, 1998	July 23, 1998	August 7, 1998
June 25, 1998	July 8, 1998	August 7, 1998	August 24, 1998
July 13, 1998	July 23, 1998	August 24, 1998	September 8, 1998
July 29, 1998	August 8, 1998	September 8, 1998	September 22, 1998
August 11, 1998	August 23, 1998	September 22, 1998	October 7, 1998

Letters of Notice

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OEQC prints "Letters of Notice" to encourage public participation in our EIS system. Your views are welcome. We may edit letters due to limited space. The opinions presented do not necessarily reflect those of OEQC.

Maui Park Timeshare Project

The following are excerpts of a letter about the Maui Park project from JoAnne Johnson of Lahaina. This project proposes to convert an apartment complex to time-share units. See the December 23rd, 1997 Environmental Notice for a full project description.

I am writing to object to the conversion of Maui Park to a timeshare development. I have visited with area residents who were present when the original development was proposed and granted. It was to be either affordable or low-income housing, according to their recollection. From the beginning, it seems unclear as to what the developer truly intended for this development. In any case, the project has now been altered and the Planning Commission should be made aware of this fact, as it may invalidate the original permits.

Our community is now faced with yet another timeshare project. The Embassy Suites is converting to timeshare and they will dump another 25,500 time intervals on the market. With all of the current timeshares being marketed, West Maui's timeshare sales industry is saturated. Further, this will send the wrong impression to our visitors to how we market our tourism industry. The Coney Island type of atmosphere is not the type of marketing approach that most upscale visitors appreciate.

Just look in the Maui News at the number of timeshare foreclosures - it is staggering. I am concerned that this oversupply of time interval units will flood the market and cause serious damage to our tourism industry and possibly damage existing timeshare sales and marketing efforts. Enough is enough.

West Maui provides the County with over one third of its operating budget, which is generated primarily from tourism revenues. We are now getting an increasing number of complaints about the high pressure sales tactics that are being used on Front Street. I am Vice Chair of the Mayor's West Maui Advisory Committee, and believe me, we do not want to damage Maui's image or our tourism revenues.

The looming threat of a glut of timeshares that are being marketed in a high pressure manner is a threat to our economic well-being and will further erode our credibility as a high quality, upscale tourist destination which provides a relaxed and tasteful vacation experience.

Please consider a condominium conversion for this complex rather than a timeshare.

