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Hono'uli'uli Solids Handling Facility

Anticipating increased loading through the year 2020, the Department of Design and Construction is proposing expanding the sludge stabilization unit of the Hono'uli'uli Wastewater Treatment Plant.

A draft environmental assessment examines five alternatives (heat treatment/incineration; land disposal; beneficial use through anaerobic digestion; composting

primary sludge; and no action). The City is looking at anaerobic digestion as the preferred alternative since digester gas (containing methane) may be used as a resource for electrical cogeneration and heat recovery for plant operations. Potential impacts discussed include air emissions, odours, quality of effluent discharge. Comments are due on December 22. See page 3 for more.

Waimea Trail Construction

The Department of Parks and Recreation, County of Hawai'i, in collaboration with the Waimea Preservation Association proposes to construct a multi-use (foot, bicycle, horse) trail through the town of Waimea, District of South Kohala, Hawai'i.

The proposed Waimea Trails and Greenways will begin at a trail head at a vacant County of Hawai'i park opposite the South Kohala View Estates residential subdivision on the west side of Waimea Town and proceed to Church Row in Waimea Town on the east. The approximately 4.5 miles long trail generally follows the meandering course of Waikoloa Stream.

A typical trail section consists of a single, 10-foot wide tread, 2 to 5-foot shoulders, and additional area for landscaping. The cost of the project is estimated at \$2.3 million. See page 8.

Nanakuli Beach Park Improvements

A beautiful stretch of beach park near Nanaikapono School is due for needed improvements. The City plans to reconstruct all paved areas including roadways and parking areas in the park. Access to an existing overflow parking lot will be

Wright Road Fence Construction

The Ola'a Kilauea Partnership (DLNR-DOFAW, DPS at Kulani, and Kamehameha Schools) is proposing to protect endangered and threatened plants and animals in the conservation district at the Wright Road Unit near Volcano Village in the Puna and Ka'u districts. The unit provides diverse forest habitat for four species of endangered birds, the hoary bat, the endangered hawk, and eleven listed/candidate plant species and two candidate endangered invertebrates. The total amount of fencing includes 1.5 miles of new fence and 3 miles of upgraded fence to allow for the isolation and systematic eradication of feral ungulates in the area through controlled hunts and trapping. The project will also entail the control of yellow Himalayan raspberry and other unwanted aliens. See page 9.

Submission Deadlines for 2003

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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Hono'uli'uli Wastewater Treatment Plant New Solids Handling Facilities

District: 'Ewa
TMK: 9-1-013-007; 9-1-069-004
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Mr. Po Chan (523-4324)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: GMP Hawai'i
1100 Alakea Street Suite 1800
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Peter Melnyk (521-4711)

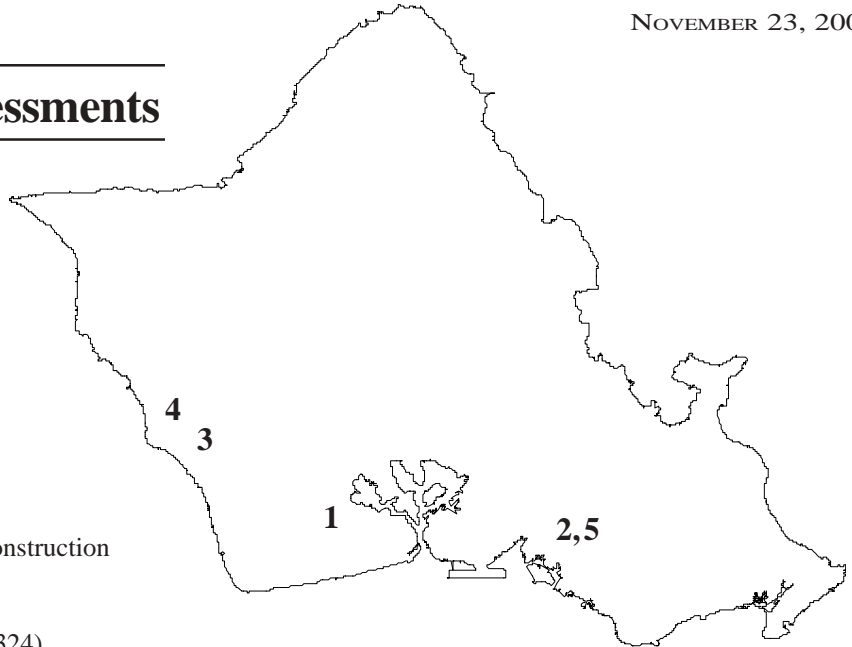
Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Amended Covered Source, Operating, NPDES NOI, Height Variance

The Hono'uli'uli WWTP has successfully used heat treatment for sludge stabilization since the facility went into service in 1984. Currently, the plant treats an average daily wastewater flow of 26.8 million gallons per day (mgd). The plant's future loading is estimated to be 42.0 mgd. The plant must expand the capacity of the sludge stabilization system unit process to satisfy the increased demand through year 2020. The plant has the option to expand heat treatment or consider another stabilization technology.

The City and County of Honolulu has determined that sludge treatment utilizing anaerobic digestion for sludge stabilization and a combination of beneficial use for dewatered sludge has become the preferred alternative for the WWTP. This decision has been attributed to the fact that after nearly twenty years of service the existing heat treatment system is near the end of its useful life, incineration practices have become more difficult to permit, high operations and maintenance costs, and options for disposal have changed significantly.



The project will include the addition of:

- Three digesters (conventional or egg shaped);
- Two new two-stage scrubbers;
- Replacement of the main centrifuges;

The proposed project is anticipated as no adverse or significant impacts to the operation of the Hono'uli'uli WWTP or the surrounding environment. Impacts to air and noise quality will be short term during construction activities. The proposed project will support the current and predicated increase in the plant's treatment capacity. Based on the investigation performed for the draft EA a determination of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is expected.



(2) Kalihi YMCA

District: Honolulu
TMK: 1-6-24:04
Applicant: Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) of Honolulu
1441 Pali Highway
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Glenn Tsugawa (531-3558)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Community Services
711 Kapi'olani Blvd., Rm 1422
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Paul Kobata (592-8626)

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

Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002
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Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Building; Grubbing, Grading, Stockpiling; Places of Assembly; Sewer Connection, Water; Zoning Variance

The Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) of Honolulu is proposing to make improvements to its Kalihi YMCA facility in Kalihi to improve services to its existing clientele. The current plans that are subject to this environmental assessment are to:

- Construct a new 28,000 square foot building to include a teen "drop-in center", counseling rooms, teen staff room, teen activity room, teen health & wellness center, restrooms, crafts room, computer lab, youth classroom, youth activity room, conference room, and administrative offices.
- Provide parking for 51 cars, with two ingress/egress points.
- Re-landscape the entire site.

The new Kalihi YMCA building, along with the adjoining Kalihi-Palama Library, will provide a vital social center for Kalihi.

Short-term impacts include effects on air quality and noise levels due to construction. Long-term impacts include increased demand for water, sewer facilities, and electrical power. Positive long-term positive impacts include better counseling services and recreational facilities for teens-at-risk around the island, and year-round programs for area children.

In the larger context, the expansion of the Kalihi YMCA will allow the YMCA to provide increased programs and services. The goal of these programs and services is to positively enhance the social fabric and well-being of the community, ultimately contributing to an educated and responsible citizenry with the abilities to positively contribute to Hawai'i's social and economic well-being.



(3) Nanakuli Beach Park Improvements

District: Wai'anae
TMK: 8-9-001:002
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Harold Mau (527-6330)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Environmental Communications, Inc.
1188 Bishop Street, Suite 2210
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Taeyong Kim (528-4661)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: SMA, Grading, Building

The proposed improvements are initiated as a community-visioning project by the Nanakuli community. The proposed action consists of basic park repair and improvements and will not change the nature of the park use nor the intensity and capacity of the park. These improvements will include: reconstruction of paved areas, improved access and security to an improved overflow parking area, fencing repairs, repair of rock walls and barrier installation, speed bump/humps, roadway extension, paving of dirt parking areas, and a reconstructed horseshoe pitching area.

In general, these improvements will improve wheelchair accessibility throughout the site. The proposed improvements will require some minor grading and the removal of a few trees that are causing pavement uplifting. The project improvements are not located within the shoreline setback area. The scope of improvements are consistent with existing uses and will not create any adverse environmental impacts.

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(4) Farrington Highway Drainage Improvements at Nanakuli

District: Wai'anae
TMK: 8-9-01; 8-7-07; 8-9-07:2
Applicant: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 609
Kapolei, Hawai'i 96707
Contact: Duane Taniguchi (692-7582)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Glenn Yasui (587-2220)

Consultant: Belt Collins Hawai'i, Ltd.
2153 N. King Street, Suite 200
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96819
Contact: Glen Koyama (521-5361)

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: SMA, Grading

The State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation - Highways Division (DOT-HWY) is proposing to improve the drainage system along Farrington Highway in Nanakuli, O'ahu. The proposed improvements will occur within the existing highway right-of-way at two locations: one comprising an approximately 1,700-foot segment of the highway, known as Area I, extending from the Verizon Hawai'i Building to Nanakuli Stream, and the other, known as Area II, comprising an approximately 700-foot segment of the highway from the Garden Groves town homes entrance road to a point 200 feet Kapolei side of Princess Kahanu Avenue.

In Area I, DOT-HWY is proposing to install an 18"/24" diameter drain line with a series of grated drop inlets in the *mauka* shoulder of the highway to collect stormwater surface runoff. The outlet for the drainage system will be located in a dry drainageway adjacent to the St. Rita Catholic Church at

the southern end of the project site. An approximately 2,100 sq. ft. easement over Hawaiian Home Lands property (TMK 8-9-07: 2) will be required for the system's outlet. The dry drainageway presently connects with Nanakuli Stream approximately 500 feet to the south of the project. After the drainage system is installed, DOT-HWY will upgrade the sidewalk along the *mauka* shoulder of the highway from asphaltic concrete to concrete. On the *makai* side of the highway, DOT-HWY will install a lined concrete ditch. The ditch will be approximately 2 feet wide, approximately 1 to 2 feet deep, and approximately 280 feet long. It will connect with an existing concrete drainage chute located on the northern bank of the Nanakuli Stream.

In Area II, four or five dry wells will be located in the *mauka* shoulder and five or six dry wells in the *makai* shoulder of the highway. The dry wells in the *mauka* shoulder will be independent of each other, while the *makai* dry wells will be connected with a 12" diameter perforated culvert.

Construction of the drainage system in the two areas is expected to begin in the third quarter of 2003 and be completed in the third quarter of 2004. The cost of construction is estimated to be approximately \$2.4 million and will be funded by the State.



(5) Middle Street Transit Center

District: Honolulu
TMK: Developable Land: 1-2-18:01 (portion), 02, 03, 09, 10; Submerged Land (Kalihi Stream areas): 1-2-17:03, 04, 05

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Transportation Services
650 S. King Street, 3rd Floor
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Brian Suzuki (527-6880)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Kimura International, Inc.
1600 Kapi'olani Boulevard, Suite 1610
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96814
Contact: Ms. Leslie Kurisaki (944-8848)

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: NPDES, Noise, Fed. 4(f), Sec. 106, Flood Hazard Cert.
Note: This is a joint Federal-State submission.

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This Environmental Assessment has been prepared in accordance with both State of Hawai'i (HRS Chapter 343) and federal (National Environmental Policy Act) environmental regulations and requirements.

The Department of Transportation Services, City and County of Honolulu, and the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, propose to construct a regional transit center and consolidated Handi-Van facilities on 9.15 acres on Middle Street between North King Street and Kamehameha Highway in Honolulu. The site is adjacent to and makai of the existing Kalihi-Palama Bus Facility and will be acquired by the City (another 0.48 acres of the site is undevelopable submerged land within Kalihi Stream).

The Middle Street Transit Center project will consist of three major components: 1) Handi-Van program facilities; 2) bus transit center, and 3) 1,000-vehicle parking structure. The Handi-Van facilities will be constructed during Phase 1, and will support the City's Handi-Van paratransit program. These facilities include a Handi-Van parking area, service bays, and vehicle maintenance facility. The bus transit center will be constructed during Phase 2 of the project, and will replace the existing transit center at the adjacent Kalihi-Palama Bus Facility. The transit center will support the City's proposed "hub and spoke" bus network. Phase 3 of the project includes construction of a 1,000-vehicle, automated parking structure, built over and integrated with the transit center. The parking structure will accommodate both park-and-ride patrons and transit employees. An area of the site fronting Middle Street is reserved for future transit-related commercial/retail/community support development, and/or long-term transit center expansion. The project includes landscaping improvements along Kalihi Stream.

Should a future Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system be implemented, the Middle Street Transit Center would be a major BRT terminal, linking the "Regional" and "In-Town" BRT components. However, the project is needed regardless of whether or not the BRT is developed. Separate environmental documentation is being completed for the BRT, and the impacts related to the BRT are not a part of this project or this Environmental Assessment.

The project will have minimal environmental impacts. During Phase 1, the short-term impacts on air quality, noise and local traffic will be related to construction activities. Environmental remediation will be completed and a subsurface archaeological survey will be conducted (and if appropriate mitigation measures will be implemented) during this phase. To mitigate traffic impacts during Phase 2 of the project, two new traffic signals at the project's Middle Street

and Kamehameha Highway driveways are proposed. Cumulatively, the project will have a positive impact by supporting the City's long-term regional transit strategy. The project is consistent with all State and City and County land use controls.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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Halawa Collection System Maintenance Baseyard

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Clifford Lau (527-6373)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

Hawai'i Kai Water System Improvements

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Board of Water Supply
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96843
Contact: Scot Muraoka (527-5221)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Board of Water Supply
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96843
Contact: Clifford Jamile (527-6180)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

Ka'a'awa Beach Park

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
567 South King Street, 9th Floor
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Wesley Obata 9523-4783)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

Kinau Vista Affordable Elderly Rental Apartments

Applicant: Kina'u Vista L.P. Hawai'i Housing Development Corp.
725 Kapi'olani Blvd., Suite C-103
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Gary Furuta

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Housing & Community Development Corporation of Hawai'i
677 Queen Street, #300
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Lisa Wond (587-0569)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

Kokoloio Stream Bridge Replacement

Applicant: Department of Transportation Highways Division, Bridge Design
601 Kamokila Blvd, Room 611
Kapolei, Hawai'i 96707
Contact: James Fu (692-7613)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

Korean Cultural Center of Hawai'i

Applicant: Dr. Kea Sung Chung (521-8066)
1188 Bishop Street, PH-1
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning And Permitting
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Lin Wong (523-4485)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

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Koa Ridge Community

Applicant: Castle & Cooke Homes Hawai'i, Inc.
P.O. Box 898900
Mililani, Hawai'i 96789-8900
Contact: Alan K. Arakawa (548-4811)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City & County of Honolulu
Department of Planning & Permitting,
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Matt Higashida (527-6056)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002



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(1) Kamuela Senior Housing Project

District: South Kohala
TMK: 6-4-1: por. of 41
Applicant: Hawai'i Island Community Development Corporation
99 Aupuni Street, Suite 104
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
Contact: Keith Kato (969-1158)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawai'i
677 Queen Street, Suite 300
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Janice Takahashi (587-0639)

Consultant: Brian T. Nishimura (935-7692)
Planning Consultant
101 Aupuni Street, Ste. 217
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002
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: UIC

The Hawai'i Island Community Development Corporation (HICDC) is proposing to develop the Kamuela Senior Housing Project for low income elderly residents on approximately 2.1 acres of land in Waimea, South Kohala, Hawai'i. The project will be built as three and four-plex units with a visual appearance similar to larger single family dwellings as compared to the typical apartment style complex. The 32-unit project will consist of thirty-one 1-bedroom, 1-bath, and handicap accessible units with three basic floor plans consisting of 512, 527, and 576 square feet of living area and one 2-bedroom, 1-bath managers unit.

Short term impacts will result from the proposed construction activity including increased noise levels, dust and exhaust from machinery involved in the installation of the project improvements. The contractor will be instructed to utilize best management practices to minimize all impacts



including the use of mufflers and implementing construction curfew periods. State Department of Health regulations will be adhered to during construction.

Potential long term impacts for the project include exposure to damage from earthquakes, strong winds, cooler temperature and wet conditions which affect this section of the Waimea community. These factors will be addressed through proper design and construction techniques which include measures to reduce seismic damage and mitigate the impact of the specific climatic conditions of the area.

Additional long-term impacts including drainage, wastewater and solid waste will be addressed through the compliance with requirements of the Department of Public Works and the State Department of Health.



(2) Waimea Trails and Greenways

District: South Kohala
TMK: Various
Applicant: County of Hawai'i
Department of Parks and Recreation
101 Pauahi Street, Suite 6
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
Contact: Glenn Miyao (961-8311)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Gerald Park Urban Planner (942-7484)
1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 876
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96814

Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: Use; Plan Approval; Grubbing, Grading and Stockpiling; Building, Electrical and Plumbing; Best Management Practices; Variance from Pollution Controls; Department of the Army, Bridge and Causeway Permit.

The Department of Parks and Recreation, County of Hawai'i, in collaboration with the Waimea Preservation Association (formerly known as Waimea Main Street), a community-focused revitalization organization, proposes to construct a multi-use trail through the town of Waimea, District of South Kohala, Hawai'i.

The proposed Waimea Trails and Greenways will begin at a trail head at a vacant County of Hawai'i park ("formerly the Clark Property") opposite the South Kohala View Estates residential subdivision on the west side of Waimea Town and proceed to Church Row in Waimea Town on the east. The approximately 4.5 miles long trail generally follows the meandering course of Waikoloa Stream through urban and agricultural lands.

A typical trail section consists of a single, 10-foot wide tread, 2 to 5-foot shoulders, and additional area for landscaping. Poured in place concrete is the recommended surface for the trail. Concrete will withstand mild to severe temperature changes during day and night hours and provide a safe and stable surface for pedestrians, joggers, the disabled, and bicyclists.

The trail would be accessible from identifiable entries established at the County owned park, near the County of Hawai'i Refuse Transfer Station, Sandalwood Subdivision, Opelo Road, the Nature Park, Carter Center, Lindsey Road, and Church Row.

The first construction increment of the trail between the Sandalwood Subdivision and Lindsey Road will adhere to the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines and the Accessibility Guidelines for Outdoor Areas (or current guidelines in place at the time trail increments are constructed).

The cost of the project is estimated at \$2.3 million for construction for the 4.5-mile long trail. The first construction increment between the eastern end of the Sandalwood Subdivision and Lindsey Road is estimated at \$650,000.

Funding for the project is being provided by the County of Hawai'i through its capital improvements project budget and by the Transportation Enhancement (TE) program of the U.S. Department of Transportation and administered by the Department of Transportation, State of Hawai'i.



(3) Wright Road Fence Construction

District: Puna, Ka'u
TMK: 'Ola'a, Puna: 1-9-01-1;
Kilauea, Ka'u: 9-9-01-7

Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Natural Area Reserves System
P.O. Box 4849
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
Contact: Lisa Hadway (974-4221)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with a copy to OEQC.

Permits

Required: NA

In an effort to better protect native biological resources, the 'Ola'a-Kilauea Partnership is proposing the construction of 1-1/2 miles of fencing and upgrade of 3 miles of existing fence to create a 2300 acre fenced management unit at the end of Wright Road in Volcano. The management unit will contain portions of the Pu'u Maka'ala Natural Area Reserve and Kamehameha Schools land. The project will include fence installation to exclude livestock and feral ungulates, feral ungulate control within the unit, and the control of non-native alien plant species along the fence corridor and within the unit. The area proposed for fencing contains diverse native forest and provides habitat for four species of endangered forest birds, the endangered Hawaiian hoary bat, the endangered Hawaiian Hawk, eleven listed/candidate endangered plant species, and two candidate endangered invertebrates.

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(4) Kulani Correctional Facility Wastewater Treatment Plant

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-4-08: 09 (por.)
Applicant: Department of Accounting and General Services
Division of Public Works
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 437
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Gregory Tanaka (586-0721)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Consultant: Ron Terry (982-5831)
HC 2 Box 9575
Kea'au, Hawai'i

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Permits

Required: NPDES, UIC, CDUP, Building, Grading

The proposed project would build a wastewater treatment plant and associated facilities on the grounds of the Kulani Correctional Facility, located at 5,200 feet above sea level in an area of native forest. Use of water in dormitories, showers, a laundry facility, and a kitchen contribute to an average daily wastewater flow of 25-30,000 gallons per day.

Currently, the facility disposes of its wastewater in large-capacity cesspools, which the EPA has determined can contain elevated concentrations of contaminants that may endanger drinking water. In November of 1999, EPA announced new regulations that require operators to phase out existing large-capacity cesspools by April 2005. Similar State of Hawai'i regulations are also in effect. There is therefore a need to construct a wastewater treatment system in the interest of public health, in compliance with federal and State regulations.

The proposed wastewater treatment facility would consist of wastewater pipelines, an aerated pond, a blower building, and associated infrastructure. Wastewater from all

existing buildings with plumbing at the main camp would be collected and delivered to the proposed aerated pond system via a new wastewater pipeline located beneath the existing access road. The blower building would be located adjacent to the aerated ponds. Electrical power, emergency electrical power and potable water would be provided to the blower building. A leaching field (disposal field) would be built on the existing pasture land to the east of the access road.

Although the general area contains a native forest ecosystem supporting endangered bird and plant species, the project site itself is already disturbed. Careful survey and construction mitigation measures will ensure that there are no adverse effects to any natural or cultural resources.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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► Hilo International Airport

Applicant: Department of Transportation
Airports Division
400 Rodgers Blvd. Suite 700
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96819
Contact: Roy Sakata (838-8600)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

► Kamehameha Investment Corporation Multi-Family Residential Units

Applicant: Kamehameha Investment Corporation
c/o Steven S.C. Lim (935-6644)
Carlsmith Ball LLP
121 Waiianuenue Avenue
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Hawai'i
Department of Planning
101 Pauahi Street, Suite 3
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
Contact: Norman Hayashi (961-8288)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002



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(1) Kapa'a-Kealia Bike & Pedestrian Path

District: Kawaihau
TMK: 4-05-02:01; 4-05-07:01; 4-05-08:01; 4-05-11:01, 03, 45, 53; 4-05-12:01, 02; 4-05-13:01, 02, 28; 4-06-14:34, 36, 90, 91, 92; 4-07-03:01; 4-07-07:29

Applicant: County of Kaua'i
Department of Public Works
4444 Rice Street
Lihue, Hawai'i 96766
Contact: Doug Haigh (241-6650)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Consultant: SSFM International, Inc.
501 Sumner Street, Suite 502
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96817
Contact: Ronald Sato (531-1308)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002

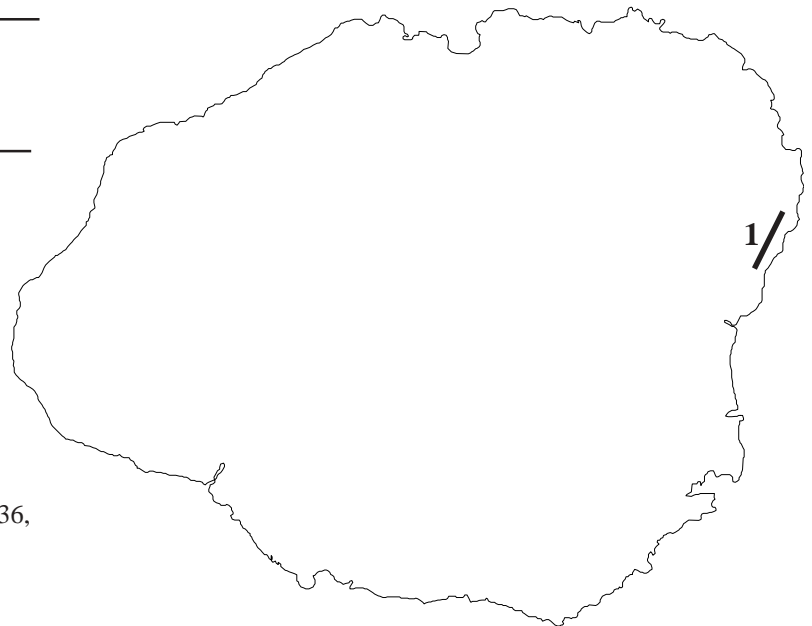
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Army; 401 WQC; CDUA; CZM Consistency; Sec 106; NPDES; Grubbing, Grading, Building; SMA; SSV; SCAP; Flood Zone

This is a joint 343-NEPA submission.

The Department of Public Works (DPW), County of Kaua'i, is proposing to develop a multi-use path for bicyclists, pedestrians, and other users along the coastline from Kapa'a to Kealia on the Island of Kaua'i. To implement this project, the County DPW is developing a "basis of design" for the improvements that will establish design criteria to be used for the project's design and implementation.

The total length of this project corridor is approximately 4.3 miles starting from Lihi Park in Kapa'a town to Ahihi Point in Kealia, and generally includes the area from the shoreline up to the highway. This project would allow the



County to utilize their existing shoreline property to provide alternative transportation routes, and a safe path for bicycle, pedestrian, and other non-motorized activities along the path. The community will benefit from safe access to the shoreline and related path amenities. This also allows the County to expand its multi-use paths planned along the eastern coast of Kaua'i, and implement recommendations from the State's Bike Plan Hawai'i.

A 12-foot-wide multi-use path is planned which would involve improving an existing asphalt-paved path in the Kapa'a town area, and pavement improvements to the existing cane haul road that extends from Kapa'a to Ahihi Point in the northern Kealia area. Improvements to existing cane haul road bridges along the coastline would also be done in establishing this path.

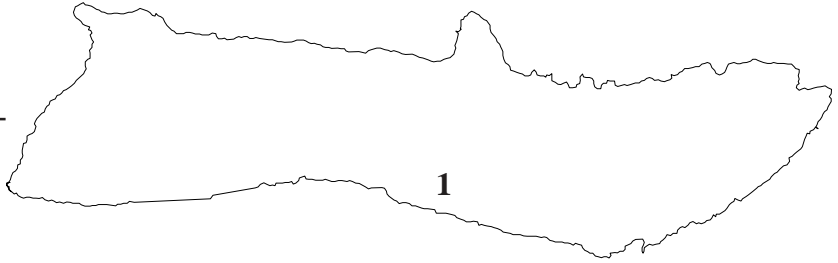
Other amenities are also planned along this path to support path users along with other recreational users along the shoreline. These improvements include providing pavilions, comfort stations, and parking areas at Lihi Park and Kealia Beach Park since there are presently no facilities. A comfort station will also be provided at a parking lot serving a shoreline access path through the Kealia Kai Subdivision. A new parking area and rest area would also be provided near the Kealia Lookout to serve recreational activities occurring in this area.



Moloka'i Notices

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(1) Kaunakakai Stream Restoration Project

District: Moloka'i
TMK: 5-3-5:10
Applicant: County of Maui
Department of Public Works & Waste Management
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Joe Krueger (270-7745)
and
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Building 230
Fort Shafter, Hawai'i 96858-5440
Contact: Edwina Williams (438-7053)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: County of Maui
Department of Public Works & Waste Management
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Joe Krueger (270-7745)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 23, 2002
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicants with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority and OEQC.
This is a joint Federal-State document.

Permits Required:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in cooperation with the Maui County Department of Public Works and Waste Management propose to construct improvements at Kaunakakai Stream Flood Control Project to restore habitat for the native endangered Hawaiian Stilt bird. This study is being conducted under the authority of Section 1135 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986.

The Kaunakakai Stream Flood Control project is located on the south central coast of Moloka'i near the town of Kaunakakai. Project features include a 1,500 foot long levee on the east side of the stream above the stream mouth and extending to Maunaloa Highway. Upstream of the highway, a 2,300 foot long earth and rock lined levee extends up the east side of the stream to protect the commercial and business development of Kaunakakai town. A 1,050 foot long levee is located on the west side of the stream above the highway to protect the residential area from flood waters.

The proposed improvement would excavate the channel just upstream of Maunaloa Highway to restore shallow water feeding habitat for the endangered Hawaiian Stilt. The excavation will be within the stream bed and will develop 3.2 acres of shallow ponds and mudflats for the stilt. By excavating the area to bring the surface elevations to or slightly below groundwater levels, year-round open water pools can be maintained for use primarily by the Hawaiian Stilt. The proposed excavation and grading of the channel near the existing levees will not involve any modification of the levee structures. The lowering of the surface elevations within the floodway will not impact, and will be consistent with, the flood control purpose of the original project.

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Previously Published Projects

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Pu'u Kahana Community Plan Amendment

Applicant: County of Maui, Department of Planning
250 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Ann Cua (270-7735)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

Waiohonu Bridge Replacement

Applicant: County of Maui, Department of Public Works & Waste Management
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Joe Krueger (270-7745)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002

Waipuilani Estates (Supplemental)

Applicant: Betsill Brothers Construction, Inc.
635 Kenolio Road
Kihei, Hawai'i 96753
Contact: Doyle Betsill (879-5375)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Maui, Department of Planning
250 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Julie Higa (270-7814)

Public Comment

Deadline: December 9, 2002



Shoreline Notices

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. If there are any questions, please call Nick Vaccaro at 587-0438.

Case No.	Date Rec'd	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
MA-091-2	11/7/02	Lot A of the Ulmer Lime Kiln Subdivision, land situated at Paia, Hamakuapoko, Makawao, Maui, Hawaii Address: 3045 Hana Highway Purpose: Building Permit	Newcomer Lee Land Surveyors, Inc., for Holland, Welch, and Weidner	2-5-05: 14
MA-273	10/31/02	Along Makai Side of Honoapiilani Highway F.A.P No. F-030-1 Road, Lahaina, Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii Purpose: Watershed Project	Austin, Tsutsumi and Associates, Inc., for County of Maui	4-7-1: Portion of 18
HA-262	11/7/02	Lot 32 of the Kona Bay Estates (File Plan 1813), land situated at Lanihau Nui, North Kona, Hawaii Address: 76-5572 Kona Bay Drive Purpose: Building Permit	Wes Thomas Associates, for Billy and Gisele Johnson	7-5-05: 92
HA-263	11/06/02	Lot 17-A of Kahaluu Beach Lots, Being a Por. of RP 6856, LCAw 7713, Ap. 6 to V. Kamamalu, Kahaluu, North Kona, Hawaii Address: 78-6626 Alii Drive Purpose: Building Permit	Wes Thomas Associates for Kamehameha Schools	7-8-14:76

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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	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA-294-2	11/12/02 Certified	Lot 13, as shown on Map 1 of Land Court Consolidation 171, land situated at Heeia, Koolaupoko, Island of Oahu, Hawaii Address: 46-038 Ipuka Street Purpose: Determine Building Setback	Jaime F. Alimboyoguen LLC, for John King	4-6-07: 107
OA-893	11/12/02 Certified	Lot 4-B-1, as shown on Map 10 of Land Court Application 1810, land situated at Mokuleia, Waialua, Island of Oahu, Hawaii Address: Farrington Highway Purpose: Consolidation & Resubdivision	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc., for Kaena North, LLC	6-8-03:39
OA-894	11/12/02 Certified	Lot 59-A, as shown on Map 7 of Land Court Application 1810 and Lot 1-D, as shown on Map 2 of Land Court Application 824 Address: Farrington Highway Purpose: Subdivision Approval	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc., for Mokuleia Shores, LLC	6-8-03:17
MA-272	11/12/02 Certified	Being a portion of Land Commission Award 11216, Apana 21 to M. Kekauonohi, being also all of Lot 53 of Makena Beach Lots, land situated at Palauea, Honuaula, Makawao, Island of Maui, Hawaii Address: Makena Road Purpose: Planning for use of property	Warran S. Unemori Engineering, Inc. for Douglas and Patricia Leone	2-1-11:15
HA-030-2	11/12/02 Certified	A portion of Royal Patent 7813, Land Commission Award 8559-B, Apana 8, to William C. Lunalilo, land situated at Puapuaa 2 nd , North Kona, Island of Hawaii, Hawaii Address: 75-6092 Alii Place Purpose: Building Permit	West Thomas Associates, for Jack Rose Gift Trust	7-5-20:21
MA-276	11/13/02 Rejected	Lot 2-2 of the Kaonoulu Beach Lots, being a portion of R.P 7447, Land Commission Award 3237 to Hewahewa, land situated at Kaonoulu, Kihei, Maui, Hawaii Address: 726 South Kihei Road Purpose: Improvements	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc., for United States of America, National Marine Sanctuary	3-9-01: 87

Environmental Council Notices

Environmental Council Meetings

The next meetings of the Environmental Council are tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December 11, 2002. Please call OEQC at 586-4185 after December 5th to confirm meetings time and place.

Pollution Control Permit Applications

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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.

Clean Air Branch

Branch Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Date	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Covered Source Permit	Ameron International Corporation, dba Ameron Hawaii CSP 0085-02-C (Renewal)	Camp 10 Quarry, Puunene, Maui	Issued: 10/31/02	600 TPH Stone Processing Plant with 475 HP Diesel Engine Generator, Concrete Plant with 120 CY/HR Concrete Batch Plant and 300 TPH Concrete Crusher
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Temporary Covered Source Permit	Isemoto Contracting Company, Ltd. CSP 0515-01-CT	Various Locations, State of Hawaii Initial Location: Maniniowali, North Kona, Hawaii (TMK: 7-2-04: 18)	Issued: 11/4/02	465 TPH Temporary Stone Crushing and Processing Plant with 317 kW Diesel Engine
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Temporary Covered Source Permit	Castle & Cooke Resorts, LLC CSP 0512-02-CT	Various Temporary Sites, State of Hawaii Initial Location: Manele Bay area, Lanai City, Lanai	Issued: 11/6/02	460 TPH Mobile Crushing Plant with One (1) 310 HP Diesel Engine
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Noncovered Source Permit	Puna Geothermal Venture NSP 0008-02-N (Amendment)	14-3860 Kapoho-Pahoa Road, Pahoa, Hawaii	Issued: 11/8/02	Three (3) Diesel Engines for Geothermal Well Drilling/Construction

Safe Drinking Water Branch

Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Safe Drinking Water Branch, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Brewer Environmental Industries (BEI) LCC and BEI Hawaii; UH-1253	Brewer Environmental Industries, LCC, 60 Kuhio Road, Hilo	n/a	Permit modification, change of discharge to surface drainage, 2 injection wells.
Safe Drinking Water Branch, 586-4258, UIC Permit	UH College of Tropical Ag. & Human Resources, Coop. Extension Service UH-2147	Komohana Agricultural Complex 875 Komohana St., Hilo	n/a	Abandonment of 2 injection wells used for sewage and lab waste disposal.
Safe Drinking Water Branch, 586-4258, UIC Permit	U of N Bencorp UH-2199	Hualalai Village Phase I, Hualalai Road Improvement 75-346 Hualalai Road, Kailua-Kona	n/a	Construction of 2 injection wells for surface drainage.
Safe Drinking Water Branch, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Hawaii Health Systems Corporation UM-2198	Kula Hospital 100 Keokea Place, Keokea, Kula	n/a	Register 3 large-capacity cesspools, as injection wells, for sewage disposal.

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Special Management Area (SMA) Minor Permits

Pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statute (HRS) 205A-30, the following is a list of SMA Minor permits that have been approved or are pending by the respective county/state agency. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate county/state Planning Department. City & County of Honolulu (523-4131); Hawai'i County (961-8288); Kaua'i County (241-6677); Maui County (270-7735); Kakaako (587-2878).

Location (TMK)	Description (File No.)	Applicant/Agent
Hawaii: Hilo (3-6-10-05 & 06)	Restrooms & storage addition (SMM 126)	Michael Kaneda (Hawaii Petroleum, Inc.)
Hawaii: Hilo (2-7-4: 25)	Implement preventive soil erosion practices and measures (SMM 124)	Steven H. Shropshire (Shropshire Group, LLC)
Maui: Lahaina (4-6-30-13)	Eaton residence alteration (SM2 20020154)	Wagner, Nick
Maui: (4-2-4-5)	Swimming pool (SM2 20020155)	Chris Hart & Partners, Inc.
Maui: Lahaina (4-5-4-37)	Pool & Spa (SM2 20020156)	Weber, Craig
Maui: Paia (2-6-4-16)	Willy's restaurant alteration (SM2 20020157)	James S. Niess
Maui: Kihei (3-9-2-28)	Nature's Way tents (SM2 20020158)	Thomas, Mike
Maui: Haiku (2-8-3-59)	Replace power poles (SM2 20020159)	Cahill, John
Maui: Kihei (3-9-51-24)	Bldg addition (SM2 20020160)	Oceanic Cable
Maui: Kahului (3-7-2-1)	Temporary office trailer (SM2 20020161)	Maui Land & Pineapple Co.
Maui: Haiku (2-8-3-43)	3 lot subdivision (SM2 20020162)	Arakaki, Wayne I.
Maui: Lahaina (4-6-33-23)	Remodel condo (SM2 20020163)	Kenneth Hayo
Maui: Lahaina (4-2-9-33)	Addition (SMX 20020567) Pending	Wagner, Nick
Maui: Kihei (3-9-13-4)	Addition (SMX 20020568) Pending	Montessori Hale Okeiki, Inc
Maui: Wailea (2-1-8-75)	Interior addition (SMX 20020569) Pending	Pacific Atelier International, Inc
Maui: Lahaina (4-6-9-10)	Lahaina Gems alteration (SMX 20020571) Pending	Carpenter, Monty
Maui: Kapalua (4-2-7-23)	Pool & spa (SMX 20020574) Pending	Long & Associates, AIA, inc.
Maui: Kihei (3-9-3-65)	Dwelling (SMX 20020575) Pending	Biniaries, Sotos
Maui: Kaanapali (4-4-8-1)	Restroom renovation (SMX 20020576) Pending	Sandi, Steven J.
Maui: Lahaina (4-4-1-92)	New dwelling (SMX 20020578) Pending	Hufalar, David & Laura-Lee
Maui: Makena (2-1-5-108)	Chain link fence (SMX 20020579) Pending	Makena Golf Corp.
Maui: Kihei (3-9-31-39)	Dwelling (SMX 20020580) Pending	Ugalino, Natividad
Maui: Keanae (1-1-3-1)	Park restroom (SMX 20020581) Pending	County Dept of Parks & Recreation
Maui: Kihei (3-9-1-25)	Beach nourishment (SMX 20020583) Pending	Kihei Community Association
Maui: Haiku (2-8-4-20)	Cachola residence (SMX 20020585) Pending	Cachola, Abraham & Loralyn
Maui: Kaanapali (4-4-8-1)	Alterations (SMX 20020589) Pending	Steven Heller & Associates
Maui: Kihei (3-9-42-52)	Pool & spa (SMX 20020590) Pending	Wagner, Nick
Maui: Kihei (3-9-18-32)	Addition (SMX 20020592) Pending	Contreras, James
Maui: Kapalua (4-2-7-22)	Swimming pool & spa (SMX 20020593) Pending	Long & Associates, AIA
Maui: Kihei (3-9-13-18)	Residence & garage (SMX 20020594) Pending	Zakian, Gary
Maui: Kahana (4-3-9-2)	Addition (SMX 20020596) Pending	Watson, Beverly
Maui: Kihei (3-9-42-75)	Addition (SMX 20020597) Pending	Escobar, Rafael
Maui: Kihei (3-9-28-34)	Addition (SMX 20020598) Pending	Altura, Peofilo R & TessieV
Maui: Kapalua (4-2-1-24)	Interior addition (SMX 20020599) Pending	Kimmey, Marie AIA
Maui: Haiku (2-9-2-11 & 35)	Driveway (SMX 20020600) Pending	Arakaki, Wayne I.
Maui: Kailua (2-9-11-3)	Driveway (SMX 20020601) Pending	Arakaki, Wayne I.
Maui: Kahului (3-7-1-9 & 16)	Roof canopy (SMX 20020603) Pending	Tesoro Hawaii Corp
Maui: Lahaina (4-5-12-53)	Residence (SMX 20020604) Pending	Viel, Chad
Maui: Lahaina (4-5-13-4)	Pool (SMX 20020605) Pending	Hurlock, Donald
Maui: Haiku (2-9-3-2)	Tempt dwelling (SMX 20020606) Pending	Simmer, Malte
Maui: Kihei (3-9-20-9)	Pool & spa (SMX 20020607) Pending	Kihei Regency LLC
Maui: Lahaina (4-6-10-15)	Wall (SMX 20020608) Pending	Brown, Greg
Maui: Kihei (3-9-3-16)	Craft fair (SMX 20020609) Pending	Maui's Best Gift & Craft Fair
Maui: Wailea (2-1-27-23)	Pool (SMX 20020611) Pending	Riecke Sunland Kono Architects, Ltd.
Maui: Kihei (3-9-50-1)	Dwelling (SMX 20020613) Pending	Esteban, Honorio

Conservation District Notices

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Conservation District Use Permits

Persons interested in commenting on the following Conservation District Use Applications must submit comments to the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Also, anyone interested in receiving notification of determinations on Conservation District Use Applications must submit requests to DLNR that include the following information: 1) Name and address of the requestor; 2) The departmental permit for which the requestor would like to receive notice of determination; and 3) The date the notice was initially published in the Environmental Notice.

Both comments and requests for notification of determinations must be submitted to DLNR within thirty days from the initial date that the notice was published in the Environmental Notice.

Please send comments and requests to: State of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources, Land Division, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.

DLNR will make every effort to notify those interested in the subject CDUA, it is not obligated to notify any person not strictly complying with the above requirements. For more information, please contact the DLNR staff listed below.

Emerson Repair & Resurface Driveway

File No.: CDUA OA-3100 (Board Permit)
Applicant: Doreen & Chris Emerson
Location: 45-644B Kionaole Road
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744
TMK: 4-5-042:016
Action: Repair and resurface driveway and parking area

343, HRS
determination: Exempt
Appl's Contact: Donna Leong (521-9232)
DLNR's Contact: Dawn Hegger (587-0380)

Fencing at Hamakua

File No.: CDUA HA-3107 (Departmental Permit)
Applicant: Douglas Ort
Location: Hamakua, Hawaii
TMK: 4-9-02:08
Action: Fencing

343, HRS
determination: Exempt
Appl's Contact: Douglas Ort, P.O. Box 166, Honokaa, HI 96727
DLNR's Contact: Traver Carroll (587-0439)

Federal Notices

Endangered Species and Critical Habitat Notices

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) gives notice of the following: (1) **Blackburn's Sphinx Moth** - The public comment period for a proposed critical habitat designation for Blackburn's sphinx moth (*Manduca blackburni*) was extended to December 30, 2002. Also, a draft economic analysis for the proposed designations of critical habitat for the moth on the islands of Maui, Hawai'i, Moloka'i, and Kaho'olawe is available for comment; Over a 10-year period, the draft economic analysis shows a range of direct costs from \$1.2 to 1.9 million, and the possibility of indirect costs approaching \$500 million. However, many of the indirect costs shown in the analysis result from uncertain and possibly unlikely future private and governmental actions, and we expressly request comments as to the likelihood of these actions occurring and of the indicated costs from these possible actions being incurred. Copies of the draft economic analysis are available on the Internet at <http://pacificislands.fws.gov>. A public hearing was also held in Kailua-Kona on October 29, 2002 (see, 67 F.R. 63064, October 10, 2002, and 67 F.R. 69179, November 15, 2002); (2) **Kaua'i Caves' Spider And Amphipod** - FWS announced the availability of the draft economic analysis for the proposed designations of critical

habitat for the Kaua'i cave wolf spider (*Adelocosa anops*) and Kaua'i cave amphipod (*Spelaeorchestia koloana*) from the island of Kaua'i. FWS is now providing notice of extending the comment period to allow peer reviewers and all interested parties to comment simultaneously on the proposed rule and the associated draft economic analysis. The draft economic analysis shows a range likely costs from the proposed critical habitat designation of between \$743 million to \$1.955 billion over the 18 year period from 2003 to 2020. FWS will accept public comments until December 16, 2002 (see, 67 F.R. 69177, November 15, 2002); (3) **O'ahu Endangered Plants** - FWS has also extended the comment period on proposed critical habitat designations for 99 plants from the island of O'ahu (that closed on September 30, 2002) to November 30, 2002 (see, 67 F.R. 63066, October 10, 2002); (4) **Maui, Kaho'olawe And Hawai'i Island Endangered Plants** - FWS announced the availability of the draft economic analysis for the proposed designations of critical habitat for plant species from the islands of Maui and Kaho'olawe, Hawai'i. In earlier Federal Register notices published August 26, 2002, FWS reopened the comment period and provided notice of a public hearing (67 F.R. 54764 and 67 F.R. 54766) for the proposed designations or non-designations of critical habitat for these plants. FWS will accept public comments until November 1, 2002 (see, 67 F.R. 61845, October 2, 2002); (5) **Lana'i Endangered Plants** - FWS announced the reopening of the public com-

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ment period for the proposed rule to designate critical habitat for 32 plants from the island of Lana'i. FWS has received new information since the close of the comment period and the comment period is reopened to allow additional time for all interested parties to consider the information and submit written comments on the proposal. The comment period for this proposal now closes on November 25, 2002 (see, 67 F.R. 69176, November 15, 2002). Comments already submitted on the above proposed rules need not be resubmitted as they will be fully considered in final determinations. All comments and materials concerning the above (with appropriate reference to the subject of the proposed rule) should be sent to the Paul Henson, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 3-122, PO Box 50088, Honolulu, HI 96850. For details, contact Paul Henson, at the above address, by dialing (808) 541-3441 (voice) or (808) 541-3470 (facsimile).

Alien Species Notices

(1) **Environmental Assessment for Aquatic Weed Giant Salvinia.** The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (APHIS) has prepared an environmental assessment relative to a proposed field release of the non-indigenous salvinia weevil for the biological control of the aquatic weed giant salvinia. Giant salvinia (*Salvinia molesta*) is a free-floating aquatic fern, native to South America, which has been detected in Hawai'i and other states due to the nursery trade in aquarium plants, with a tremendous growth rate and the potential to significantly affect water-reliant agricultural industries and recreation and the ecology of freshwater habitats throughout much of the United States. Giant salvinia reproduces vegetatively through fragmenting and from dormant buds breaking away. The colonizing or immature stage of giant salvinia is characterized by small leaves that lie flat upon the water. As plant growth accelerates, the leaves become larger, crowding occurs, and the plants are pushed upright. Mats may grow to a meter thick and can cover large areas. APHIS listed giant salvinia as a noxious weed in 1983. Under APHIS' regulations, no person may move giant salvinia into or through the United States, or interstate, unless he or she obtains a permit for the movement from APHIS. Because giant salvinia is a free-floating plant, it disperses by passive means (water currents and wind) and by "hitchhiking." Animals may carry the plants over short distances, but humans can spread it widely on fishing gear and boating equipment. Intercontinental dispersal and dispersal within the United States have probably occurred when giant salvinia was sold in the nursery trade, either intentionally as a plant for aquaria or for ponds, or unintentionally when it "hitchhiked" with other aquatic plants collected for academic study or for use in aquaria or ponds. As a result of this infestation, APHIS prepared an environmental assessment (EA) and has issued permits for the environmental release of the non-indigenous salvinia weevil (*Cyrtobagous salviniae*) into the limited area of the Toledo Bend Reservoir. APHIS has now received a permit application for additional releases of the salvinia weevil into other areas of the continental United States beyond the area considered in the existing APHIS EA. The applicant proposes to release the salvinia weevil to reduce the severity and extent of giant salvinia infestation in the United States. The salvinia weevil is native to Brazil, Bolivia, and Paraguay. Salvinia weevil larvae tunnel within the rhizomes of giant salvinia, causing them to disintegrate. They also tunnel in the leaf buds and adults eat leaves and leaf buds, suppressing growth and veg-

etative propagation of this sterile weed. This insect has successfully controlled giant salvinia in 12 countries over 3 continents. The EA may be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/ppq/> by following the link for "Documents/Forms Retrieval System" then clicking on the triangle beside "6 - Permits - Environmental Assessments," and selecting document number 0001. APHIS must receive your comments by December 2, 2002. You may submit comments by postal mail/commercial delivery or by e-mail. If you use postal mail/commercial delivery, please send four copies of your comment (an original and three copies) to: Docket No. 02-098-1, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3C71, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. 02-098-1. If you use e-mail, address your comment to regulations@aphis.usda.gov and your comment must be contained in the body of your message; do not send attached files. Please include your name and address in your message and "Docket No. 02-098-1" in the subject line. For further details, contact Dr. Tracy A. Horner, Environmental Services, PPD, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 149, Riverdale, MD 20737-1228; (301) 734-5213 (see, 67 F.R. 66381, October 31, 2002); and (2) **The Federal Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) Task Force Met in Waikiki.** The Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force met on November 13-15, 2002 at the Radison Waikiki Prince Kuhio, 2500 Kuhio Avenue, Honolulu to: discuss activities from each of the Task Force's regional panels; submission of a Rapid Response Plan by the Western Regional Panel; discuss the status and updates from several other Task Force committees including the Prevention Committee, the Communications, Education and Outreach Committee, and the Research Committee; to approve the Draft Green Crab Control Plan; discuss the status of State and Interstate ANS Management Plans and to approve the Massachusetts State Plan; discuss an update on ballast water management activities; convene a panel on the status of Brown Tree Snake activities; and discuss other topics. The meeting also included a field trip to view local invasive species problems. For minutes of the meeting, contact Sharon Gross, Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force at (703) 358-2308, or write to her at Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Suite 810, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1622 (see, 67 F.R. 62493, October 7, 2002).

Marine Mammal Notices

(1) **Finalized Revisions to the Whale Sanctuary Management Plan.** The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary was Congressionally designated by the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Act (HIHWNMSA) on November 4, 1992 (Subtitle C of Public Law 102-587, the Oceans Act of 1992). Section 304(e) of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act requires that sanctuary management plans be reviewed and potentially revised every five years. At the time of designation the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) made a commitment to the state of Hawai'i that five years after the management plan and regulations became effective, NOAA, in consultation with the State of Hawai'i, would evaluate the progress made toward implementing the management plan, regulations, and goals for the Sanctuary. NOAA also agreed that after the evaluation was complete, NOAA would then re-submit the management plan and regulations in their entirety, as far as they affect State waters, to the Governor for his concurrence. A draft revised management plan and draft environmental assessment were made

available for public review on March 19, 2002 (67 F.R. 12525). Seven public meetings were held throughout the State of Hawai'i to collect information and comments from individuals, organizations, and government agencies on the scope, types, and significance of issues related to the Sanctuary's draft revised management plan. Written comments were also received throughout the public comment period which ended on May 24, 2002. A final revised management plan and final environmental assessment were prepared in response to input received from the Sanctuary Advisory Council and comments received during the public review phase. The final revised management plan does not contain any regulatory or boundary changes. The final revised management plan was submitted to the Governor of Hawai'i on August 2, 2002. The Governor concurred with the final revised management plan on September 6, 2002. This notice confirms the effective date of the new management plan as September 9, 2002 (see, 67 F.R. 61598, October 1, 2002); (2) **Availability of Seats for Whale Council.** The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary (HIHWNMS) is seeking applicants for the following two vacant seats on its Sanctuary Advisory Council (Council): Fishing and Native Hawaiian. The Sanctuary will choose two applicants as members and two as alternates to those members. Members are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; philosophy regarding the conservation and management of marine resources; and the length of residence in the area affected by the Sanctuary. Applicants who are chosen as members should expect to serve two-year terms, pursuant to the Council's Charter. Applications are due by November 20, 2002 (see, 67 F.R. 65786, October 28, 2002). For the above notices, applications and copies of the final revised management plan and its supporting environmental assessment may be obtained by contacting the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary, 6700 Kalaniana'ole Highway, Suite 104, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96825 at (808) 397-2655, or on the Internet at <http://www.hihwnms.nos.noaa.gov>. Completed applications should be sent to the same address.

Release of Airport Land at Hilo and Kahului

On April 5, 2000, new authorizing legislation became effective. That bill, the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR 21), Pub. L. 10-181 (April 5, 2000; 114 Stat. 61), requires that a 30-day public notice must be provided before the Secretary of Transportation may waive any condition imposed on an interest in surplus property. The following is a brief overview of the request: Various state agencies have agreed to substitute new airport parcels for those identified in a Tri-Party Agreement of 1984 whose purpose was to extinguish lawsuits pending in state court that contested HDOT's use of certain lands for non-airport purposes. The following is a description of the parcels proposed for release: (a) HDOT will convey 22.419 acres at Kahului, subject to an avigation easement, to Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). The land is presently occupied by state agencies that are using it for non-aeronautical purposes. (b) At Hilo, HDOT and DLNR will each swap 1.082 acres. Presently, HDOT airport land is occupied by a state agency and the DLNR land is occupied by the FAA/National Weather Service Station. By swapping land of equal size and value, HDOT will acquire

1.082 acres of aviation-use land and DLNR will acquire 1.082 acres, subject to an avigation easement, of non-aeronautical use land. (c) HDOT will convey 41.067 acres, subject to avigation easement, at Hilo to DLNR. The land consists of a quarry and the former Hawai'i National Guard site, that cannot be used for aeronautical purposes since it is isolated from the airport by a major roadway. It has never been used and will not be used for future aeronautical purposes. (d) HDOT will convey another 16.941 acres, subject to avigation easement, of the quarry site at Hilo to DLNR. The state will pay HDOT fair market value of \$2,140,000, none of which is airport revenue, for the additional land. The additional 16.941 acres, along with the 41.067 acres above, represent the entire quarry and Hawai'i National Guard site that has never been used for aeronautical purposes and which HDOT does not need for airport purposes. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposes to rule and invites public comment on the release of airport land needed to comply with the Hawai'i Department of Transportation's (HDOT) obligations under the Tri-Party Agreement. The Agreement called for HDOT to exchange land and money to compensate for subject land. The FAA objected to the transfer of land needed for airport or wildlife mitigation purposes. To resolve this matter, HDOT has proposed that other non-aeronautical use land be substituted for those parcels identified in the Tri-Party Agreement. Comments must be received on or before December 13, 2002. Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Mr. Ronnie V. Simpson, Manager, FAA Honolulu Airports District Office, 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 7-128, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813. For details, please contact Mr. Simpson, Manager, at the above address, or by telephone (808) 541-1232. The request to release airport property may be reviewed in person at this same location. (see, 67 F.R. 68901, November 13, 2002).

Notice of Intent To Prepare an EIS - Johnston Atoll Airfield

Under the National Environmental Policy Act and its regulations and Air Force policy and procedures (32 C.F.R. 989), Detachment 1 of the 15th Air Base Wing (ABW) on November 6, 2002, has given notice of its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Department of Defense (DOD) mission closure of Johnston Atoll Airfield. Johnston Atoll (JA) is an unincorporated territory (i.e., possession) of the United States located approximately 717 nautical miles southwest of Honolulu, Hawai'i, in the central Pacific Ocean. The Air Force and its implementing agent, Detachment 1, 15th ABW currently serves as the host-management agency for JA military missions. After December 31, 2003, no further military mission requirements have been identified for JA. Detachment 1, 15 ABW will be the lead agency for the EIS. Since Honolulu is the closest population center to this remote Pacific atoll, Detachment 1, 15th ABW has conducted a Public Scoping Meeting, scheduled for November 6, 2002, in Honolulu at Washington Intermediate School, located at 1633 South King Street. The meeting's purpose was to determine the environmental issues and concerns to be analyzed, to solicit comments on the Proposed Action and alternatives, and to solicit input for other alternatives to be considered in the EIS. The current proposal evaluates four alternatives - (1) No Action; (2) mission closure with declaration of excess to General Services Administration (GSA); (3) mission closure, but retain ownership of JA (do not excess property to GSA); and

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(4) caretaker status (mothball JA and retain for future missions). The Proposed Action is alternative (2); however, all comments received during the Scoping Meeting will be considered prior to the Air Force making a decision. For further information concerning the DOD mission closure at JA or alternatives to the proposed action, please contact Ms. Fran Saunders, Chief, Johnston Atoll Program Office, OL-A, Detachment 1, 15 ABW, 200 Vickers Avenue, Bldg 1055, Hickam AFB, Hawai'i 96853-5271 (see, 67 F.R. 67606, November 6, 2002).

Faulkes Telescope for the University's Maui Observatory

The U.S. Department of Commerce has approved the duty-free entry into the United States by the Faulkes Telescope Corporation, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813, of the Faulkes Telescope manufactured in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland by Telescope Technologies Limited. The proposed use of the telescope is describe in 67 F.R. 58354, September 16, 2002. The foreign instrument provides a research quality (2-meter primary mirror with better than arcsecond imaging performance) telescope that is robotically controlled and accessible via the Internet for observation and research use by students from the secondary school to university level having commonality with two identical telescopes for exchanged observations. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration advised October 10, 2002, that: these capabilities are pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose; and, it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use. Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. in Suite 4100W, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, D.C. Docket Number: 02-030 (see, 67 F.R. 64602, October 21, 2002).

Cultural Impact Notices

In accordance with provisions of the Native Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 43 CFR 10.9, and 43 CFR 10.2 (c) the National Park Services has published the following notices. The determinations within these notices are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations within these notices: (1) **Human Remains from Lana'i in the Possession of Bishop Museum, Honolulu.** The Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum has completed an inventory of human remains from Lana'i, in its possession in Honolulu. A detailed assessment of these human remains by Bishop Museum's professional staff in consultation with representatives from the Maui/Lana'i Island Burial Council. In 2002, human remains representing one individual were found in collections from Maunalei Cave on Lana'i. The remains consist of a human phalange. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present. Also, in 2002, human remains representing one individual were found in collections from Lana'i. The remains consist of a human tooth. No associated funerary objects were present. The collections were gifted to the Bishop Museum by George F. Arnemann in 1956. Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the Bishop Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains

listed above represent the physical remains of two individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Bishop Museum also have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and the Maui/Lana'i Island Burial Council, Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei and Office of Hawaiian Affairs (see, 67 F.R. 63151, October 10, 2002); (2) **Funerary Cultural Items from Lana'i in the Possession of Bishop Museum, Honolulu.** In 1926, G.C. Munro gifted 97 glass and ivory beads to the Bishop Museum. Accession records indicate that the beads were "found some years ago with the bones of a child." The burial site was located on the island of Lana'i. Excavation records indicate that the human remains with whom these funerary objects were associated were not collected, or were collected but are no longer within the Bishop Museum's collection. A detailed assessment of these unassociated funerary objects was made by Bishop Museum's professional staff in consultation with representatives from the Maui/Lana'i Island Burial Council. Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the Bishop Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(2)(ii), these 97 cultural items are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony and are believed, by a preponderance of the evidence, to have been removed from a specific burial site of a Native American individual. Officials of the Bishop Museum also have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between these 97 unassociated funerary objects and the Maui/Lana'i Island Burial Council, Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (see, 67 F.R. 63152, October 10, 2002). The above notices has been sent to officials of the Maui/Lana'i Island Burial Council, Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, and Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Representatives of any other Native Hawaiian organization that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains/funerary objects should contact Dr. Guy Kaulukukui, Vice President of Cultural Studies, Bishop Museum, 1525 Bernice Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i, 96718-2704, telephone (808) 848-4126. Repatriation of the above remains/objects to the Maui/Lana'i Island Burial Council, Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei and Office of Hawaiian Affairs may begin after November 12, 2002, if no additional claimants come forward by that date; (3) **Meeting of Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park Advisory Commission.** Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Na Hoapili O Kaloko Honokohau, Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park Advisory Commission will be held at 9:00 a.m., November 16, 2002 at Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park headquarters, 73-4786 Kanalani St. Suite 14, Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i. The agenda will include Status on Park Brochure, Report on Alu Like Training Program, and FY2003 Budget Plans. The meeting is open to the public. Minutes will be recorded for documentation and transcribed for dissemination. Minutes of the meeting will be available to the public after approval of the full Advisory Commission. Transcripts will be available after 30 days of the meeting. For copies of the minutes, contact Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park at (808) 329-6881 (see, 67 F.R. 66660, November 1, 2002).

Submission and Comment Deadlines

The following dates are the submission and comment deadlines for 2003.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE	ENVIRONMENTAL NOTICE ISSUE DATE	30-DAY COMMENT DEADLINE	45-DAY COMMENT DEADLINE
26-Dec-2002	8-Jan-2003	7-Feb-2003	22-Feb-2003
10-Jan-2003	23-Jan-2003	22-Feb-2003	10-Mar-2003
29-Jan-2003	8-Feb-2003	10-Mar-2003	25-Mar-2003
11-Feb-2003	23-Feb-2003	25-Mar-2003	9-Apr-2003
26-Feb-2003	8-Mar-2003	7-Apr-2003	22-Apr-2003
12-Mar-2003	23-Mar-2003	22-Apr-2003	7-May-2003
27-Mar-2003	8-Apr-2003	8-May-2003	23-May-2003
10-Apr-2003	23-Apr-2003	23-May-2003	7-Jun-2003
28-Apr-2003	8-May-2003	7-Jun-2003	23-Jun-2003
13-May-2003	23-May-2003	23-Jun-2003	7-Jul-2003
28-May-2003	8-Jun-2003	8-Jul-2003	23-Jul-2003
10-Jun-2003	23-Jun-2003	23-Jul-2003	7-Aug-2003
25-Jun-2003	8-Jul-2003	7-Aug-2003	22-Aug-2003
11-Jul-2003	23-Jul-2003	22-Aug-2003	6-Sep-2003
29-Jul-2003	8-Aug-2003	8-Sep-2003	22-Sep-2003
12-Aug-2003	23-Aug-2003	22-Sep-2003	7-Oct-2003
26-Aug-2003	8-Sep-2003	8-Oct-2003	23-Oct-2003
11-Sep-2003	23-Sep-2003	23-Oct-2003	7-Nov-2003
26-Sep-2003	8-Oct-2003	7-Nov-2003	22-Nov-2003
13-Oct-2003	23-Oct-2003	22-Nov-2003	8-Dec-2003
29-Oct-2003	8-Nov-2003	8-Dec-2003	23-Dec-2003
12-Nov-2003	23-Nov-2003	23-Dec-2003	7-Jan-2004
25-Nov-2003	8-Dec-2003	7-Jan-2004	22-Jan-2004
11-Dec-2003	23-Dec-2003	22-Jan-2004	6-Feb-2004

Note: Please submit the following to OEQC by 4:30 P.M. of the submission deadline day:

- 1) Agency transmittal letter
- 2) Four copies of EA/EIS;
- 3) OEQC Publication Form; and
- 4) Project summary on floppy disk or by email.

