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Waipahu Ash Landfill Closure

The City and County of Honolulu, Department of Environmental Services, Refuse Division, has submitted a draft environmental assessment for closure of the 49-acre Waipahu Ash Landfill site situated at the southern end of Waipahu Depot Road opposite the closed Waipahu Incinerator. The Waipahu Ash Landfill is a modified area fill that was operated from the early 1960's until November 1991. The landfill was originally operated as an open burn facility, where municipal solid waste was deposited and burned in place. Open burning ceased in 1970 following adoption of clean air standards. Approximately 1.4 million tons of waste were deposited into the landfill of which 0.9 million cubic yards is ash from the Waipahu incinerator and 1.1 million cubic yards consists of ash from burned-in-place refuse and unburned municipal solid waste. The Waipahu Ash Landfill final cover construction will fulfill the requirements of Chapter 11-58.1, Hawai‘i Administrative Rules, which applies to municipal solid waste landfills that accepted waste after October 9, 1991. The City recently completed construction of Phase I of the Waipi‘o Peninsula Soccer Park, east of the Waipahu Ash Landfill site. After closure construction is complete, the Waipahu Ash Landfill site may also be used for recreational purposes; such use is not part of the current proposed action. See page 4 for details.

Hilo Waste Sort Station FEIS

The County of Hawai‘i Department of Environmental Management has submitted its final EIS for the construction of a solid waste processing, recycling, and transfer facility near the existing South Hilo Landfill. The governor has designated the Hawaii Planning Department as the accepting authority. See page 12.

Document Submissions Made Easier

The OEQC submission form, the “Publication Form,” is now in a fill-in format which you can do right on your computer screen. After filling in the form you can print it, save it, and even email the completed form to us. See page 14 for further details or go directly to: http://www.state.hi.us/health/oeqc/submissions/index.html.

Statewide Submarine Cable

Sandwich Isle Communications, Inc. (SIC), a Native Hawaiian owned corporation headquartered in Honolulu, proposes to construct and operate an undersea fiber-optic cable system that would link the terrestrial fiber-optic cable networks of each island. The statewide SIC network would provide underserved DHHL homesteaders with affordable telecommunications services.

The submarine network would consist of approximately 300 miles of fiber-optic cables divided into the following four segments: (1) Kekaha, Kaua‘i to Makaha, O‘ahu; (2) Hawai‘i Kai, O‘ahu to Kaunakakai, Moloka‘i; (3) Kaunakakai, Moloka‘i to Lahaina, Maui; and (4) Makena, Maui to Kawaihais, Hawai‘i. A total of seven landing sites would be needed. The locations of the landing sites were carefully selected from among many alternative sites based on environmental and social factors, as well as public and stakeholder input. See page 15.
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 periodic bulletin (see, section 343-3, HRS) known as the Environmental Notice. 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) under Chapter 205A, HRS and county ordinance. The Counties regulate development of this area. 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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(1) Waipahu Ash Landfill Closure

District: 'Ewa
TMK: 9-3-02: 2, 27, Por. 9, 1, and 28
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Environmental Services
1000 Uluohia Street, Suite 212
Kapolei, Hawai‘i 96707
Contact: James Louis (692-5832)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Earth Tech, Inc.
841 Bishop Street, Suite 500
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Karl Bromwell (523-8874)

Public Comment Deadline: March 23, 2004
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: CDUA, Army-404, Grading, SMA, SSV, 401-WQC, NPDES, CZM Consistency Determination

The City and County of Honolulu (City), Department of Environmental Services, Refuse Division, intends to construct a final cover for the existing Waipahu Ash Landfill (Landfill). The 49-acre Landfill is on Navy, state, and city-owned land at Waipi‘o Peninsula. Access to the site is from the north and is provided by Waipahu Depot Street, which runs south from the intersection with Farrington Highway. The access gate to the Landfill is located across from the closed Waipahu Incinerator. The site is southeast of Kapakahi Stream and abuts the West Loch of Pearl Harbor on the west and south perimeter. Former irrigation ponds operated by O‘ahu Sugar are present along the east side of the site. Further to the east, the City has recently constructed the Waipi‘o Peninsula Soccer Park. A bird sanctuary (Pouhala Marsh) is planned for the area northwest of the site north of Kapakahi Stream. The City’s Police Training Academy and Ted Makalena Golf Course lie to the northeast, east of Waipahu Depot Street. A residential area is located 0.4 mile to the north.

The Landfill is a modified area fill that was operated from the early 1960s until November 1991. The landfill was originally operated as an open burn facility, where municipal solid waste (MSW) was deposited and burned in place. Open burning at the site ceased in 1970 following the adoption of air standards. Unburned MSW was placed at the site for a short period from 1970 until 1972, when the Waipahu Incinerator was completed. At that time, the site was closed to MSW and was used exclusively as an ash landfill. Following closure of the Landfill in November 1991, ash from the Waipahu Incinerator was disposed of at the Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill (in West O‘ahu) until the incinerator’s closure in 1994.

Calculations performed using the existing topography indicate that the closure area has received approximately 2 million cubic yards of fill. It is estimated that approximately 0.9 million cubic yards of the fill is ash from the Waipahu Incinerator, and the remaining 1.1 million cubic yards consists of ash from burned-in-place refuse and unburned MSW.

The proposed construction will be performed in accordance with the applicable Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle D and HAR Title 11 Chapter 58.1 requirements for MSW landfills. In addition, because the Landfill is partially located within the Pearl Harbor Naval Complex, which is included in the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) National Priorities List (NPL), closure of the
Landfill will comply with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). CERCLA requires protection of human health and the environment, and compliance with applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements.

After closure construction is complete, the Landfill site may also be used for recreational purposes as the City has plans to build a soccer park; however, such use is not part of the current proposed action.

No significant impacts are anticipated during landfill closure construction. Short-term impacts to air quality, water quality, and ambient noise levels may occur during the construction phase of the proposed action. Impacts will be mitigated by incorporating appropriate Best Management Practices and by complying with required permit conditions.

In the long-term, positive impacts are anticipated to several resources from the project by eliminating receptor contact with potential landfill contaminants, reducing soil erosion and leachate into Pearl Harbor, and controlling landfill gas venting. The project is also anticipated to have a beneficial long-term impact on visual aesthetics, socio-economic, and land use resources. A 30-year groundwater-monitoring program will also be implemented as required by RCRA.

(2) Waipahu High School Eight-Classroom Building

District: ‘Ewa
TMK: 1-9-4-008:020
Applicant: Department of Accounting and General Services
P.O. Box 119
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96810-0119
Contact: Ralph Morita (586-0486)

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)

Public Comment Deadline: March 23, 2004

Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.
Permits Required: Historic Preservation, Noise, Grading

This Environmental Assessment has been prepared in accordance with the State of Hawai‘i HRS Chapter 343 and Chapter 200 of Title 11, Department of Health Administrative rules by the State of Hawai‘i Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) on behalf of the State of Hawai‘i Department of Education (DOE).

The proposed project is located at Waipahu High School, 94-1211 Farrington Highway, Waipahu, O‘ahu, Hawai‘i. The project involves the construction of a new two-story, eight-classroom building, with approximately 21,278 square feet of gross floor area. The building will include three General Classrooms, one Biology/Marine Science classroom, one Physics classroom, two Resource classrooms, and one Special Education Self-Contained classroom. It will also include a faculty center, itinerant room, Student Service Support Coordinator/Educational Assistant room, and custodial service center.

The new classroom building will displace two existing portable classrooms (P-25 and P-26). The two portables will be demolished and replaced by two new portable classrooms on a vacant site nearby. Two monkeypod trees will also be displaced by the construction of the new classroom building and new portables. Both trees will be relocated in the project vicinity.

The new eight-classroom building is a critical component of the Waipahu High School Revised Master Plan, prepared by DAGS in April 2003 to update the school’s physical facilities and accommodate a growing student population. There is already a shortage of classroom space, and enrollment is projected to grow by 12 percent over the next two years. The Special Education Classroom facilities are also needed to meet State and Federal Special Education requirements.

Project construction is expected to commence in October 2004 and take approximately eight months to complete. Project completion is scheduled for June 2005.
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(3) Kuhio Beach Park Boundary Fence Replacement

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-6-1:12
Applicant: City & County of Honolulu
Department of Design & Construction,
650 S. King Street
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Gregory Hee (527-6977)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: City & County of Honolulu
Department of Planning & Permitting
650 S. King Street
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Eric Crispin (523-4432)

90 Kawananakoa Place
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96817
Contact: Masatomo Murata (595-6979)

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Minor SMA, SSV, Zoning Variance

The new fence with the sliding door was constructed along the property line of the Sheraton Moana Surf Hotel next to the City & County of Honolulu’s new Surfboard Lockers at Kuhio Beach Park to replace the old chain-link fence with swing gates. The old chain-link fence with swing gates built by the Moana Surf Hotel had to be replaced because the City’s new Surfboard Lockers blocked its gate and was no longer accessible. The height, length, and location of the fence are the same as the previous fence.

The cost for building the fence was $8,600.00 and paid for by the City & County of Honolulu since the location of its surfboard lockers required the fence to be rebuilt. The fence is owned and maintained by the hotel. Installation of the fence did not have a significant impact on the existing environment as the new fence is located on the same area as the old one, and installation activity was conducted at the same time as the City’s Kuhio Beach Park Expansion/Kalakaua Avenue Promenade project. The new fence blends in with the existing hotel building and new Kuhio Beach Park Surfboard Lockers and Plaza while providing an access, security and visual screening to the adjoining private property from the heavily used public area.

(4) Loft at Waikiki Condominium

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-6-017: 068, 070-073
Applicant: Urban Loft Development, LLC
1146 Fort Street Mall
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Don Huang (526-4020)

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: Eric Crispin (523-4432)

Consultant: Wilson Okamoto Corporation
1907 South Beretania Street, 4th Floor
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96826
Contact: Earl Matsukawa (946-2277)

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Waikiki Special District, CUP,

The applicant proposes to develop a 36-unit residential condominium on 29,907 square feet of land (5 abutting parcels) at 417-437 Launiu Street in Waikiki. The project site is located on the Diamond Head side of Launiu Street between Kuhio Avenue and Ala Wai Boulevard. It is located in the apartment precinct of the Waikiki Special District and well under the maximum building height of 300 feet. It is surrounded by 1-3-story apartment buildings and high-rise condominiums. There are some existing structures and uses that will require demolition and removal. They include three single-family dwellings, a two-story apartment building with 8 units, and a parking lot with 29 stalls. The proposed project is a 6-story structure with two levels of parking (86 stalls) and four stories of residential units above (9 units per floor). Recreation facilities (swimming pool and deck) are proposed on the ground floor along Launiu Street. The main access driveway serves the lobby on the ground floor, parking, and loading. The secondary access driveway serves the second floor parking level.
(5) Makaunulau Community Park Improvements

District: ‘Ewa
TMK: 9-5-32: 32, 93
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street, 11th Floor
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Howard Koza (527-6327)

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)

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

The proposed action consists of various improvements to the park that were initiated by the Mililani Community Vision Team. The primary focus of the park improvements initiative is based on resident complaints that parking is inadequate and as a result illegal parking is a recurring problem along the eastern end of the park. The Vision Team proposed the addition of a second parking lot serving the eastern end of the park and several smaller improvements that would optimize utilization of the park.

Improvements proposed under the first phase of the master plan include the reconfiguration of the existing parking lot along Kuahelani Avenue, a relocated site for a future multi-purpose building, a relocated play apparatus area, landscaping and picnic tables, and the addition of the new parking lot and appurtenant improvements.

Future improvements that are included in the plan that may be developed when funding becomes available include: the construction of a multipurpose building, parking lot expansion and related improvements, upgraded playfields and playcourts, additional landscaping, renovation of the existing comfort station, and fencing repairs.

The total funding for the first phase of the proposed improvements is approximately $570,000. The scope of work for the first phase will be conducted in a single continuous construction period. Future improvements will be implemented as funding allows.
(1) Waiolani Mauka Subdivision

District: Wailuku
TMK: 3-5-004:025
Applicant: Waikapu 28 Investment, LLC
P.O. Box 946
Wailuku, Hawai‘i 96793
Contact: Michael Munekiyo (244-2015)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:
State Land Use Commission
P.O. Box 2359
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96804-2359
Contact: Anthony Ching (587-3822)

Consultant: Munekiyo & Hiraga, Inc.
305 High Street, Suite 104
Wailuku, Hawai‘i 96793
Contact: Michael Munekiyo (244-2015)

Public Comment Deadline:
March 23, 2004
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:
NPDES, Grading, Subdivision Approval

Waikapu 28 Investment, LLC proposes the development of an approximately 108± lot single-family residential subdivision at Waikapu, Maui, Hawai‘i. The 28.7-acre parcel will be subdivided to create lots ranging between 7,500 square feet and 12,000± square feet. The proposed subdivision is located on lands classified as “Agricultural” by the State Land Use Commission. The property is designated “Single-Family” and “Public/Quasi-Public” (2-acre portion) by the Wailuku-Kahului Community Plan. The County of Maui zones the property “Agricultural”.

Towards implementing the proposed subdivision, a State Land Use Commission District Boundary Amendment from the “Agricultural” district to the “Urban” district will be required. In addition, a Community Plan Amendment will be required to redesignate the 2-acre Public/Quasi-Public area to Single-Family Residential. Finally, a County Change in Zoning will be needed to establish the R-2, Residential zoning district.

Additionally, the project proposes the installation of approximately 80 feet of drainline across Honoapi’ilani Highway, a State of Hawai‘i roadway. Traffic signal warrants at the intersection of Honoapi’ilani Highway and Pilikana Street are anticipated to be met with the proposed project and, as such, the applicant will be participating in the signalization. While traffic signal and drainline installation may be considered exempt actions under the State Department of Transportation Exemption list, the actions will be covered in the Environmental Assessment.

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(2) ‘Ohai Trail

District: Wailuku
TMK: 3-1-003-006
Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Na Ala Hele, Trails and Access Program
685 Old Haleakala Highway
Wailuku, Hawai‘i 96732
Contact: Torrie Nohara (873-3508)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Christen Mitchell (587-0051)

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: N/A

The Na Ala Hele Trails and Access Program proposes construction of the ‘Ohai Trail in the Kahakuloa Game Management Area, Maui. Located makai of Kahekili Highway near Poelua Bay, the trail will traverse along the rolling terrain of Papanalahoa Point. For foot traffic only, the trail travels through pasture grasses, nonnative shrubs and a scattering on native grasses, shrubs and sedges. Addition of the ‘Ohai Trail to the NAH trails system adds a much needed and requested shoreline foot trail to the Kahakuloa-Nakalele area. The trail also provides access opportunities for management practices, alien species detection/control, nature study, wildland research, and photography.

Changes from the Draft Environmental Assessment include 1) the addition of a scenic overlook and small picnic area at the trailhead; 2) construction of a concrete rampway from the parking area to the scenic overlook to improve access for disabled visitors; and 3) re-routing of the trail corridor, eliminating the proposed eastern trailhead and ending the trail before the fenced ‘Ohai enclosure. The routing changes were made in response to comments expressing concern about hikers walking along the roadway and about potential harm to the endangered ‘Ohai plants.

Construction involves the removal of vegetation in the direct trail corridor, with native plants being avoided wherever possible. NAH trail construction specifications will be adhered to. Interpretive/educational signage will be added. The negative impacts associated with the project involve increased visitor numbers, which may contribute to the spread of alien species, trail erosion, and/or vandalism, and damage from illegal motorcycle use. These impacts will be mitigated by proper construction techniques, educational signage, and DLNR-DOFAW rule enforcement.

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Lahaina Watershed Flood Control Project
Applicant: County of Maui
Department of Public Works and Waste Management
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai‘i 96793
Contact: Joe Krueger (270-7745)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Mayor, County of Maui
250 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai‘i 96793

Status: FEIS currently being reviewed by the Maui Mayor’s Office. This is a joint State and Federal EIS.
Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)

(1) East Moloka‘i Watershed Partnership Fence Extension

District: Moloka‘i
TMK: 5-4-003: 026; 5-4-003: 001; 5-5-001: 013; 5-5-001: 015
Applicant: The Nature Conservancy, Moloka‘i Office
P.O. Box 220
Kualapu‘u, Hawai‘i 96757
Contact: Ed Misaki (524-0779)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Christen Mitchell (587-0051)

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Permits Required: CDUA

This Environmental Assessment describes two project alternatives: constructing the proposed fence and a no action alternative. No significant negative effects are anticipated to the environment, archaeological features, cultural practices, view planes, or public access or use of this area during or after construction of the proposed fencing, and a Finding of No Significant Impact is anticipated.

The Nature Conservancy, in cooperation with the East Moloka‘i Watershed Partnership (EMoWP) and private landowners, proposes to construct a fence through the upper east Kawela and Makolelau ahupua‘a between the 3,000 to 4,000 foot elevation of the East Moloka‘i south slope. The approximately 3.5 mile fence will extend and connect two existing fences - the Nature Conservancy’s Kamakou East Boundary fence and the Kamalo/Kapualei Watershed Project contour fence.

The proposed fencing continues the conservation efforts of the EMoWP to protect the native forest and decrease run-off and sedimentation in the East Moloka‘i watershed. The fencing will expand protection of the East Moloka‘i south slope montane mesic to wet shrublands and forests and should prevent large herds of feral goats from browsing on the forest edge and stop the upward creep of the browse line in the project area.
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(1) Maku‘u Offsite Water System, Phase 2

District: Puna
TMK: 1-5-08: 01 (por.), 08 (por.)
Applicant: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
P.O. Box 1879
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96806
Contact: William Makanui (586-3818)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Ron Terry, Ph.D. (982-5831)
HC 2 Box 9575
Kea‘au, Hawai‘i

Public Comment Deadline: March 23, 2004
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Well Construction, Pump Installation,
County Plan Approval

The Hawai‘i State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) has identified the need to develop additional potable water for its Maku‘u Farm and Agricultural Lots. Accordingly, DHHL proposes construction, on State of Hawai‘i land near the 824 foot elevation at Maku‘u, of an exploratory and production well, reservoir, access road, pipeline, electrical poles and lines, and appurtenant facilities.

The first phase of development of the Maku‘u Farm and Agricultural Lots in 1998 included building a well at the existing Keonepoko Nui 2 well/reservoir. The facilities were dedicated to the County of Hawai‘i. As anticipated in the master plan for the water system, the new proposed well would supplement this supply and provide water for existing and additional Maku‘u lots, the scope of which will be determined by pump tests for the well. The well would tap the 222 square mile Pahoa Aquifer System, which has an estimated sustainable yield of 435 million gallons per day (mgd) and current uses of less than 2.0 mgd. The budget for the project, which is funded by the Hawai‘i State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, is approximately $5.8 million. This estimate will be refined through final design. Design would be finished and construction would begin after completion of the EA. The exploratory well is scheduled for completion in early 2005. If the well pump tests that the well is suitable for production, the production well, reservoir and appurtenant facilities would be completed by late 2006.

No adverse impact upon the sustainable yield of the aquifer will occur. Water quality tests will be conducted to ensure that, consistent with expectations, the well will yield high quality potable water with either non detectable or minimal contaminants. No threatened or endangered species are present; sandalwood patches near the access road will be avoided, as practical. An archaeological and cultural inventory concluded that no significant historic or cultural sites are present; on-site monitoring during grading is proposed in case historic sites, burials or caves are found. Noise and visual impacts will be negligible. Erosion control and dust control plans will be developed.
Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)

(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: James Komata (961-8531)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** Gerald Park Urban Planner (596-7484)  
1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 876  
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96814

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

**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.

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Final Environmental Impact Statements

(3) East Hawai‘i Regional Sort Station

**District:** South Hilo  
**TMK:** 2-1-013: 150, 151, 167, 168; 2-1-012:004  
**Applicant:** County of Hawai‘i  
Department of Environmental Management  
25 Aupuni Street, #210  
Hilo, Hawai‘i 96720  
Contact: Sharron Henry (961-8083)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** County of Hawai‘i  
Department of Planning  
101 Pauahi Street, Suite 3  
Hilo, Hawai‘i 96720  
Contact: Chris Yuen (961-8288)
The proposed action is to construct and operate a solid waste processing, recycling, and transfer facility near the existing South Hilo Landfill, called the East Hawai‘i Regional Sort Station. This action is proposed because the South Hilo Landfill, which now serves East Hawai‘i, will probably fill to capacity near the end of 2006. The proposed action is intended as an interim solution that will operate as described herein until a responsible alternative is available to serve the East Hawai‘i waste stream.

The Sort Station will accept County, commercial and residential waste from all areas of South and East Hawai‘i. The waste will be reduced to the maximum practical amount through available recycling and resource recovery approaches.

County waste hauling trucks from the East Hawai‘i rural transfer stations will bring loads to the Sort Station for reloading. In the short term the residual waste that is not recycled will be placed into large transfer trailers and hauled to the Pu‘uanahulu Landfill in North Kona. Initially, six trucks will make up to 12 round-trips per day to the Pu‘uanahulu Landfill. As recycling infrastructure improves, the amount of waste requiring transportation is expected to decrease.

The proposed action serves two primary functions. The first is to provide continuous, convenient and cost effective solid waste management services for the County on an interim basis. The second is to provide a central processing facility for the County’s island-wide recycling efforts.

The County intends to increase waste diversion from the current level of 15% to 45% using available recycling and resource recovery. To achieve the overall goal of 80% diversion from landfill by 2014, the County has begun a process to identify cost effective and environmentally responsible high-tech solutions that could substantially replace waste hauling.

Temporary impacts associated with the proposed action include noise, traffic and potential air and water quality impacts during construction of the facility. Traffic impacts of long-haul of waste are anticipated to be minimal based on a study of existing and proposed traffic levels.

The proposed action and alternatives that are considered in the Environmental Impact Statement include:

1. Construct and operate the East Hawai‘i Regional Sort Station,
2. No Action,
3. Construct a new South Hilo Landfill and modified Sort Station adjacent to the existing landfill,
4. Construct a new landfill elsewhere in proximity to Hilo,
5. Construct a new landfill in a dry area to service East-side waste, and
6. Immediate implementation of a waste reduction technology, including Waste-to-energy combustion, gasification, and anaerobic digestion.

The proposed action is compatible with State and County Integrated Solid Waste Management Plans, the County General Plan, the land use designation, and the policies and directions of the County Council and Mayor of the County of Hawai‘i.

Its operation will be subject to permit restrictions contained in the Solid Waste Management Permit, Hawai‘i County Plan Approval, Building Permits, Grading Permits, National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Stormwater Runoff Permit for Construction activities, and NPDES Industrial Stormwater Runoff Permits.

As a result of this Environmental Impact Statement and full consideration of the public and agency comments, the Department of Environmental Management recommends that the proposed action be implemented. The recommendation is based on judgment that the proposed action has the least environmental and social impacts, the least cost, and is most consistent with the County’s policy on integrated solid waste management and its objectives for solid waste diversion.

Issues that remain unresolved include the identification of a cost effective and environmentally appropriate waste reduction technology; the amount of waste that will be trucked between East and West Hawai‘i over time, which depends on the level of participation in the County’s immediate waste diversion efforts; and the amount of residual waste that will require transportation after alternative waste reduction technologies are placed into service.
Previously Published Projects
Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

Pacific Rim Education Foundation Utilization of State Land for Roadway
Applicant: Pacific Rim Education Foundation, Inc.
74-5620A Palani Road, Suite 106
Kailua-Kona, Hawai‘i 96740
Contact: Anthony Aparo (326-9442)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:
Department of Land and Natural Resources
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 130
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Harry Yada (974-6203)

Public Comment Deadline: March 9, 2004

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Draft Environmental Assessments

(1) Sandwich Isles Communications
Submarine Fiber-Optic Cable (Statewide)

District: Various
TMK: 4-1-2-002:003; 4-1-2-002:032; 1-8-4-002; 1-8-4-002:047; 1-3-9-012; 1-3-9-015:001; 2-5-4-006; 2-5-4-006:019; 2-4-5-021; 2-4-5-021:007,015; 2-2-1-007; 2-2-1-007:072; 3-6-1-004; 3-6-1-004:020
Applicant: Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc.
Pauahi Towers, 27th Floor
1001 Bishop Street
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Roy Choates (524-8400)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96809
Contact: Sam Lemmo (587-0381)

Consultant: Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc.
ASB Suite 3000
1001 Bishop Street
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813
Contact: Randall Urasaki (531-7094)

Public Comment Deadline: March 23, 2004
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: CDUP; CZM; NPDES; SMA; SSV; Army

SIC proposes to construct and operate an undersea fiber-optic cable system that would link the terrestrial fiber-optic cable networks of each island. The statewide SIC network would provide underserved DHHL homesteaders with affordable telecommunications services.

The submarine network would consist of approximately 300 miles of fiber-optic cables divided into the following four segments:

(1) Kekaha, Kaua‘i to Makaha, O‘ahu;
(2) Hawai‘i Kai, O‘ahu to Kaunakakai, Moloka‘i;
(3) Kaunakakai, Moloka‘i to Lahaina, Maui; and
(4) Makena, Maui to Kawaihais, Hawai‘i.

A total of seven landing sites would be needed. The locations of the landing sites were carefully selected from among many alternative sites based on environmental and social factors, as well as public and stakeholder input.

Sandwich Isle Communications, Inc. (SIC), a Native Hawaiian owned corporation headquartered in Honolulu, Hawai‘i, was granted a license by the State of Hawai‘i Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) to provide telecommunications services on its properties. Also, SIC is authorized to provide telecommunications services on Hawaiian Home Lands by both the Federal Communications Commission and the State of Hawaii Public Utilities Commission.
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 587-0384.

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<td>Walter P. Thompson, Surveying and Mapping, Inc/Ethan Topper, et al</td>
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<td>ParEn Inc./Chong-Moon Lee and Reiko-Takahashi Lee</td>
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Shoreline Notices
Shoreline Certifications and Rejections

Pursuant to §§13-222-26, HAR the following shorelines have been proposed for certification or rejection by the DLNR. Any person or agency wishing to appeal a proposed shoreline certification or rejection shall file a notice of appeal in writing with the department no later than 20 calendar days from the date of the public notice of the proposed shoreline certification or rejection. The Notice of appeal shall be sent to the BLNR, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, HI 96813.

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<td>Lot 6 of the Haleaha Subdivision, land situated at Haleaha, Koolauloa, Island of Oahu, Hawaii Address: 53-509 Kamehameha Highway Purpose: Building Permit</td>
<td>Technical Field Data Service, Inc./Steven and Susan Bissonnette</td>
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# Pollution Control Permit Applications

**February 23, 2004**

## Department of Health Permits

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

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<td>Hawaii Electric Light Company CSP 0236-01-C (Amendment)</td>
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<td>Jas. W. Glover, Ltd. CSP 0542-01-CT</td>
<td>Waimea, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii UTM: 219,847mE - 2,207,091mN (NAD 83)</td>
<td>Issued: 1/30/04</td>
<td>300 TPH Asphalt Plant with 1,085 BHP Diesel Engine Generator</td>
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<td>Jas. W. Glover, Ltd. CSP 0540-01-C</td>
<td>248 Sand Island Access Road, Oahu UTM Coordinates - Zone 4; 615,119E / 2,358,802N (NAD 83)</td>
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<td>300 TPH Drum-Mix Asphalt Plant with 1,085 bhp Diesel Engine Generator</td>
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<td>Pineridge Farms, Inc. CSP 0507-01-CT (Amendment)</td>
<td>Various Temporary Sites, State of Hawaii Initial Location of New 400 TPH Crushing and Screening Plant: Kapaa Quarry Road, Kailua, Oahu</td>
<td>Issued: 2/2/04</td>
<td>275 TPH Crushing Plant with 300 HP Diesel Engine, 195 TPH Crushing Plant with 160 HP Diesel Engine, 200 TPH, 500 TPH, and 600 TPH Screening Plants, and 400 TPH Crushing and Screening Plant with 300 HP Diesel Engine</td>
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### Solid & Hazardous Waste Branch

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Federal Consistency Reviews

The Hawaii Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program has received the following federal actions to review for consistency with the CZM objectives and policies in Chapter 205A, Hawaii Revised Statutes. This public notice is being provided in accordance with section 306(d)(14) of the National Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended. For general information about CZM federal consistency please call John Nakagawa with the Hawaii CZM Program at 587-2878. For neighboring islands use the following toll free numbers: Lanai & Molokai: 468-4644 x72878, Kauai: 274-3141 x72878, Maui: 984-2400 x72878 or Hawaii: 974-4000 x72878.

For specific information or questions about an action listed below please contact the CZM staff person identified for each action. Federally mandated deadlines require that comments be received by the date specified for each CZM consistency review and can be mailed to:

Office of Planning
Dept. of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
P.O. Box 2359
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804

Or, fax comments to the Hawaii CZM Program at 587-2899.

(1) Supplemental Deck at Ala Wai Boat Harbor Slip 520, Oahu

Applicant: Frank E. Francisco
Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit (200400151)
Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Contact: Bill Lennan, 438-6986
Location: Ala Wai Boat Harbor Slip 520
CZM Contact: John Nakagawa, 587-2878
Proposed Action:
The applicant is requesting an after-the-fact permit for a supplemental deck to boat slip 520 at Ala Wai Boat Harbor. The deck is constructed of wood, 21 feet by 6.5 feet, and supported in the water by concrete blocks. The project does not involve any dredging or discharge of fill material into the water.
Comments Due: March 8, 2004

(2) Regulatory Amendment to the Fishery Management Plan for the Pelagics Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region

Federal Action: Federal Agency Activity
Federal Agency: Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council
Contact: Paul Dalzell, 522-8220
CZM Contact: John Nakagawa, 587-2878
Proposed Action:
The proposed regulatory amendment would implement management measures to minimize impacts to sea turtles in the Pacific Ocean. Proposed measures include time/area closures, establishing a limited model swordfish fishery that will permit environmentally responsible shallow-set swordfish longlining using circle hooks with mackerel bait, and implementing conservation actions to improve sea turtle recruitment.
Comments Due: March 8, 2004

(3) Federal Funds for the Replacement of a Comfort Station at Heeia-Kea Small Boat Harbor, Heeia, Oahu

Applicant: State of Hawaii Department of Land & Natural Resources
Contact: Michael Fujimoto, 587-0085
Federal Action: Federal Financial Assistance
Federal Agency: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Location: Heeia-Kea Small Boat Harbor, Heeia, Oahu
CZM Contact: John Nakagawa, 587-2878
Proposed Action:
Federal funding for the replacement of a comfort station at Heeia-Kea Small Boat Harbor. The existing comfort station will be demolished and new comfort station constructed.
Comments Due: March 8, 2004

(4) Small-scale Sand Replenishment at Kuhio Beach, Oahu

Applicant: State of Hawaii Department of Land & Natural Resources
Contact: Sam Lemmo, 587-0381
Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit
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Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Contact: Lolly Silva, 438-7023
Location: Kuhio Beach fronting the Moana Hotel to the Diamond Head swimming basin adjoining the Kuhio storm drain at the end of Kapahulu Avenue.
CZM contact: Debra Tom, 587-2840
Proposed Action:
The State Department of Land and Natural Resources proposes to dredge approximately 10,000 cubic yards of sand from offshore of Waikiki Beach and placed it at three locations on Kuhio Beach. The dredged sand slurry will be dewatered and settled in the existing crib wall basin at Waikiki Beach. Once the dredged material has been dewatered sufficiently, heavy equipment will be used to spread the sand alongshore to the (Site 1) Diamond Head and (Site 2) Ewa swimming basins at Kuhio Beach and (Site 3) Kuhio Beach fronting the Duke Statue to the Sheraton Moana Surfrider Hotel.
Comments Due: March 8, 2004

(5) Continuance of Existing State of Hawaii Artificial Reef Sites

Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Aquatic Resources
Contact: Brian Kanenaka, 587-0332
Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit
Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Location: Maunalua Bay, Waianae, Kualoa and Ewa, Oahu, and Keawakapu, Maui
CZM Contact: John Nakagawa, 587-2878
Proposed Action:
Continue to maintain and expand existing artificial reef sites at five locations to provide habitat for marine life at Maunalua Bay, Waianae, Kualoa and Ewa, Oahu, and Keawakapu, Maui. The artificial reefs are comprised of specially designed concrete fish habitat modules and various concrete objects such as pipes, slabs and pilings. Also, barges, ships and large metal structures may be deployed if available.
Comments Due: March 8, 2004

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).

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Federal Notices

FEBRUARY 23, 2004

Irradiation of Okinawan Sweet Potatoes from Hawai‘i

The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service is adopting as a final rule, without change, an interim rule that amended the regulations to provide for the use of irradiation as a treatment for sweet potatoes to be moved interstate from Hawai‘i. The interim rule also provided that the sweetpotatoes have to meet certain additional requirements, including inspection and packaging requirements. The interim rule provided for the use of irradiation as an alternative to methyl bromide for the treatment of sweetpotatoes moving interstate from Hawai‘i. The interim rule became effective on June 26, 2003. For more information contact Dr. Inder P. Gadh, Import Specialist, Phytosanitary Issues Management Team, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 140, Riverdale, MD 20737-1236; (301) 734-6799 (see, 69 F.R. 7541, February 18, 2004).

Public Hearing on Fishery EIS

The Pacific Islands Regional Office of National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) in coordination with the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council), has held a public hearing in Honolulu to receive comments on a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS) for proposed management measures under the Fishery Management Plan for the Pelagic Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region, under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The DSEIS describes and assesses the likely environmental impacts of a range of alternative fishery management actions that are focused on the management of the pelagic longline fisheries, particularly with respect to interactions between sea turtles and the Hawai‘i-based longline fleet. The public hearing was held on February 18, 2004, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Ala Moana Hotel (Carnation Room, second floor), 410 Atkinson Drive, Honolulu, Hawai‘i. For details, contact Tom Graham, NMFS, (808)973-2937 (see, 69 F.R. 7188, February 13, 2004).

Western Pacific Fishery Management Council Public Meeting

The 85th meeting of the Western Pacific Fishery Council’s Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will convene February 24-26, 2004, in Honolulu from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on February 24, 2004, and from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on February 25-26, 2004, at the Council office conference room, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, telephone (808) 522-8220. For details call, Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director at the above telephone number (see, 69 F.R. 6268, February 10, 2004).

Environmental Tip

Early Consultation – Laying a Sound Foundation for a Good Environmental Assessment

Before preparing an environmental assessment, Section 11-200-9 of the Hawai‘i Administrative Rules requires both proposing agencies and approving agencies to seek or require the applicant to seek advice and input from the respective county planning department where the proposed action(s) is (are) to take place. Additionally the rules require consultation with other agencies having jurisdiction or expertise as well as citizen groups and individuals. Both proposing agencies and approving agencies should prepare a list of other agencies, citizen groups and individuals which meet the above criteria. Such lists can be compiled from comment letters received on past projects, and direct solicitation from the county planning departments (as they are the local agency most familiar with proposed actions, developments, and respective agency and community contacts within a jurisdiction). Additionally one may wish to contact agencies and organizations such as the Land Use Research Foundation, native Hawaiian civic clubs, community associations and neighborhood boards, cultural practitioners, the Sierra Club, whose views may provide an agency with the widest possible spectrum of environmental and land use concerns.

Early consultation ensures that a proposed action will not come as a complete surprise to potentially affect interests when official notice of the project’s environmental documents for public review is published in the Environmental Notice. Such routine consultation coupled with subsequent public disclosure in the environmental assessment serve to build public confidence in the system of open environmental review as set forth by law in Chapter 343, Hawai‘i Revised Statutes.
Exemption List

Proposed Comprehensive Exemption List for the Department of Water Supply, County of Hawaii

February 5, 2004

Editor's note: The Environmental Council has received a request for review and concurrence on the following exemption list for the County of Hawaii, Department of Water Supply. The public is invited to review and send comments on the proposed list to Mr. Michael Faye, Chairperson, Environmental Council, by March 23, 2004, c/o OEQC.

Exemption Class #1: Operations, repairs, or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing.

1. Structures
   a. Repair and maintenance of storage tanks/reservoirs
   b. Repair and maintenance of buildings (motor control buildings, office buildings, maintenance buildings, dwellings, laboratory, etc.)
   c. Repair and maintenance of retaining walls
   d. Repair and maintenance of slope stabilization structures
   e. Repair and maintenance of pipe supports
   f. Repair and maintenance of fencing
   g. Repair and maintenance of intake and collection boxes
   h. Repair and maintenance of curbs, sidewalks and ramps

2. Facilities
   a. Repair and maintenance of pipeline and appurtenances (water mains, service laterals, meters, hydrants, valves, manholes, gauges)
   b. Repair and maintenance of deep well and controls
   c. Repair and maintenance of booster pump and controls
   d. Repair and maintenance of chlorination and water treatment facilities/equipment
   e. Repair and maintenance of pressure reducing stations
   f. Repair and maintenance of roadway and pavement
   g. Repair and maintenance of drainage facilities
   h. Repair and maintenance of traffic control/safety facilities (ie. signs, guardrails, striping, pavement markers)

3. Equipment
   a. Repair and maintenance of electrical equipment
   b. Repair and maintenance of radio equipment
   c. Repair and maintenance of air conditioning systems
   d. Repair and maintenance of vehicles
   e. Repair and maintenance of computer equipment
   f. Repair and maintenance of telephone equipment

4. Topographical features
   a. Groundskeeping maintenance, including cutting trees, shrubbery, hedges, etc., and herbicide application.
   b. Repairs due to natural and man-made incidents

Environmental Council Meetings

The Environmental Council is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, March 10, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. on the 7th floor of the Leopapa A Kamehameha Building, 235 S. Beretania Street, Room 702, Honolulu. The Council's subcommittees are tentatively scheduled to meet the same day prior to the full Council meeting. Please call on or after March 4th for the final agenda.

Any person desiring to attend the meetings and requiring an accommodation (taped materials or sign language interpreter) may request assistance provided such a request is made five working days prior to the scheduled meetings. This request may be made in writing to Mr. Michael Faye, Chair, Environmental Council c/o OEQC, 235 S. Beretania St., Suite 702, Honolulu, HI 96813 or by fax at (808) 586-4186.
**Exemption Class #2:** Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located generally on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose, capacity, density, height, and dimensions as the structure replaced.

1. **Structures**
   a. Replacement or reconstruction of storage tanks/reservoirs to equal size or to meet current demands, fire flow standards and other operational requirements with no intention of providing additional storage for increased development
   b. Replacement or reconstruction of buildings for no substantial change in use.
   c. Replacement or reconstruction of retaining walls
   d. Replacement or reconstruction of slope stabilization structures
   e. Replacement or reconstruction of pipe supports
   f. Replacement or reconstruction of fencing
   g. Replacement or reconstruction of intake and collection boxes
   h. Replacement or reconstruction of curbs, sidewalks and ramps

2. **Facilities**
   a. Replacement or reconstruction of pipeline and appurtenances (water mains, service laterals, meters, hydrants, valves, manholes, gauges) to equal size or to meet current demands, fire flow standards and other operational requirements with no intention of providing additional storage for increased development
   b. Replacement or reconstruction of deep well pump and controls to equal size or to meet current demands, fire flow standards and other operational requirements with no intention of providing additional storage for increased development
   c. Replacement or reconstruction of booster pump and controls to equal size or to meet current demands, fire flow standards and other operational requirements with no intention of providing additional storage for increased development
   d. Replacement or reconstruction of pressure reducing stations
   e. Replacement or reconstruction of roadway and pavement
   f. Replacement or reconstruction of drainage facilities
   g. Replacement or reconstruction of traffic control/safety facilities (ie. signs, guardrails, striping, pavement markers)

**Exemption Class #3:** Construction and location of single, new, small facilities or structures and the alteration and modification of the same and installation of new, small, equipment and facilities and the alteration and modification of same, including, but not limited to:

(A) Single-family residences less than 3,500 square feet not in conjunction with the building of two or more such units;

(B) Multi-unit structures designed for not more than four dwelling units if not in conjunction with the building of two or more such structures;

(C) Stores, offices, and restaurants designed for total occupant load of twenty persons or less per structure, if not in conjunction with the building of two or more such structures; and

(D) Water, sewage, electrical, gas, telephone, and other essential public utility services extensions to serve such structures or facilities; accessory or appurtenant structures including garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences; and, acquisition of utility easements.

1. **Structures**
   a. Construction of new and/or alteration or modification of storage tank/reservoir and appurtenances for purposes of improving water quality or to meet current demands, fire flow standards and other operational requirements with no intention of providing additional storage for increased development
   b. Construction of new pipeline and appurtenances (water mains, service laterals, meters, hydrants, valves, manholes, gauges) for purposes of improving water quality or to meet current fire flow standards with no intention of providing additional capacity for increased development
   c. Construction of new and/or alteration or modification of control buildings
   d. Construction of new and/or alteration or modification of carports
   e. Construction of new and/or alteration or modification of offices
   f. Construction of new and/or alteration or modification of retaining walls
   g. Construction of new and/or alteration or modification of slope stabilization structures
   h. Construction of new and/or alteration or modification of fencing

2. **Facilities**
   a. Construction of new pipeline and appurtenances (water mains, service laterals, meters, hydrants, valves, manholes, gauges) for purposes of improving water quality or to meet current fire flow standards with no intention of providing additional capacity for increased development
   b. Construction of new service laterals/connections
   c. Construction of temporary emergency water production, transmission, and distribution facilities
d. Construction of temporary emergency access roads  
e. Construction of new fire hydrants  
f. Construction/installation of filtration and water treatment equipment  
g. Construction/installation of telephone, telemetering, SCADA, electrical and computer equipment and wiring

**Exemption Class #4:** Minor alterations in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation.

1. Site maintenance (weed control, grass cutting, tree and shrub trimming, etc.)  
2. Landscaping  
3. Minor alterations to land for which grading permits are not required

**Exemption Class #5:** Basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

1. Water sampling for water quality analysis purposes  
2. Water main location  
3. Leak detection data collection  
4. Surveying work  
5. Construction of monitoring well for data collection purposes as defined by the State Commission on Water Resource Management  
6. Soils investigation  
7. Geologic/Hydrogeologic investigation  
8. Fire flow tests  
9. Energy studies, including hydrogenerator and alternative energy studies

**Exemption Class #6:** Construction or placement of minor structures accessory to existing facilities.

1. Construction of small buildings or additions at existing facilities  
2. Installation of SCADA equipment  
3. Installation of exterior lighting  
4. Installation of security equipment  
5. Installation of fuel tanks and appurtenances  
6. Construction or placement of temporary field buildings  
7. Installation of air conditioning units

**Exemption Class #7:** Interior alterations involving things such as partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances.

1. Partition installation, alteration, relocation, or removal  
2. Plumbing installation, alteration, relocation, or removal  
3. Electrical installation, alteration, relocation, or removal  
4. Door installation, alteration, relocation, or removal  
5. Window installation, alteration, relocation, or removal  
6. Shelving installation, alteration, relocation, or removal  
7. Furniture installation, alteration, relocation, or removal  
8. Air conditioning installation, alteration, relocation, or removal

**Exemption Class #8:** Demolition of structures, except those structures located on any historic site as designated in the national register or Hawaii register as provided for in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, Public Law 89-665, 16 U.S.C. §470, as amended, or chapter 6E, HRS.

1. Demolition of storage tanks/reservoirs  
2. Demolition of buildings and structures  
3. Demolition of retaining walls  
4. Demolition of slope stabilization structures  
5. Demolition of drainage facilities  
6. Demolition of pipe supports  
7. Demolition of fencing  
8. Demolition of intake and collection boxes  
9. Demolition of curbs, sidewalks and ramps

**Exemption Class #9:** Zoning variances except shore-line set-back variances.

1. Building set-back variances

**Exemption Class #10:** Continuing administrative activities including, but not limited to purchase of supplies and personnel-related actions.

1. Purchases of supplies, services, and equipment required to support existing operations  
2. Personnel-related actions  
3. Subdivision and consolidation actions  
4. Condemnation actions