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The Environmental Notice

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The Environmental Notice provides public notice for projects undergoing environmental review in Hawai'i as mandated under Section 343-3, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, the Environmental Impact Statement Law. Along with publishing Environmental Assessments (EAs) and Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) for projects in Hawai'i. The Environmental Notice also includes other items related to the shoreline, coastal zone, and federal activities.



Photo taken from the EAC Exemptions Forum at the 2025 Hawai'i Congress of Planning Officials.

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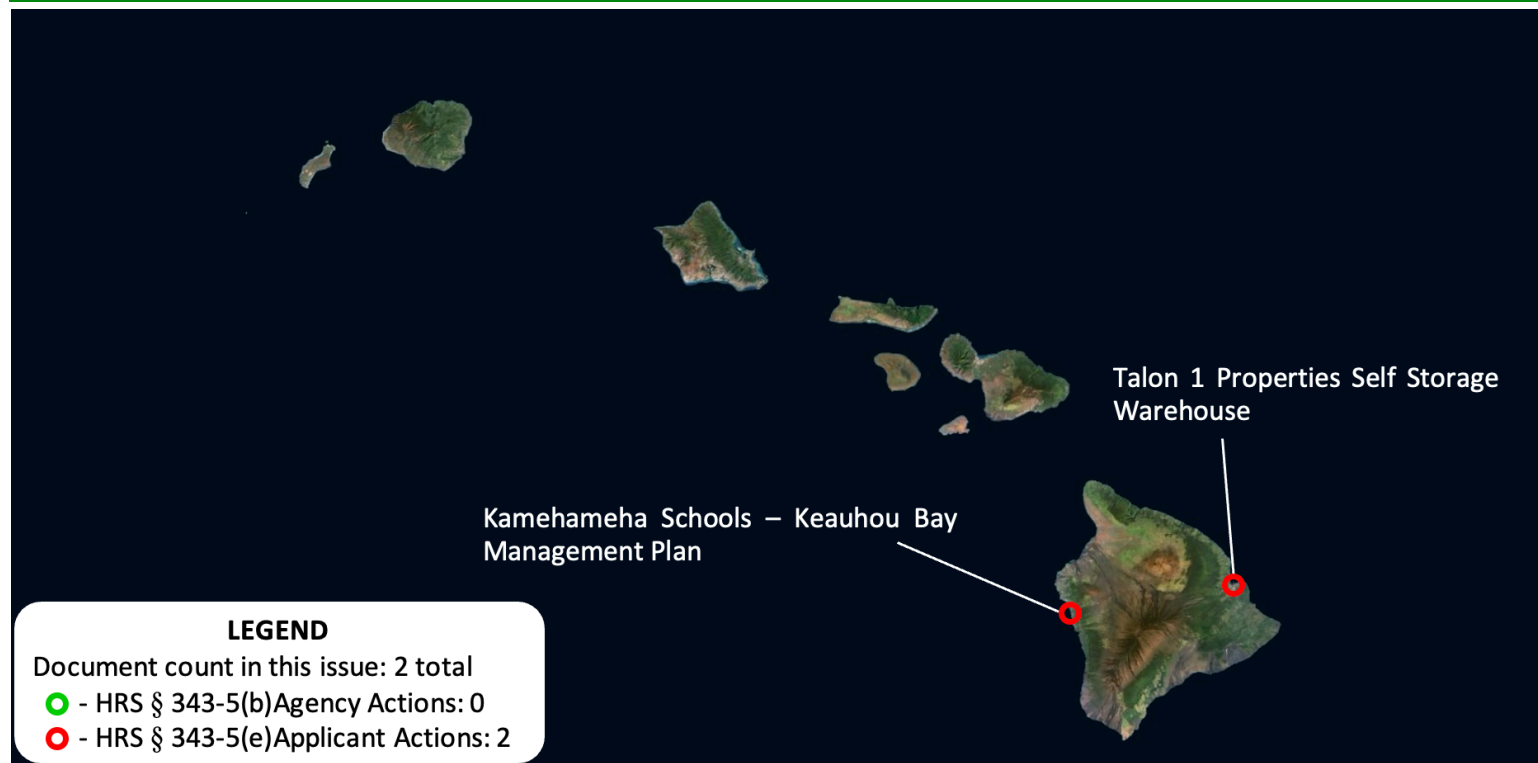
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) is still seeking new members. To learn more about the work of the EAC, visit their [webpage](#). To apply to be on the EAC, submit this [online application](#) under Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism - Environmental Advisory Council.
- Please work toward ensuring that all submittals are Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant. Our website has an [ADA accessibility page](#) with further information.

STATEWIDE MAP OF EA/EIS DOCUMENTS AND DETERMINATIONS



HAWAII EAS/EISS

Kamehameha Schools – Keauhou Bay Management Plan – Final EIS Vol I, Vol II, and Vol III

HRS §343-5(a) Trigger	(3) Propose any use within a shoreline area (4) Propose any use within any historic site as designated in the National Register or Hawai'i Register
District(s)	North Kona
TMK(s)	TMK: (3) 7-8-012:098; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:101; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:048; TMK: (3) 7-8-010:044; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:027; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:004; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:013; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:014; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:054; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:061; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:065; TMK: (3) 7-8-012:007; TMK: (3) 7-8-010:049; & TMK: (3) 7-8-012:103
Permit(s)	Special Management Area Use Permit (Major); Shoreline Setback Variance; and Various Site, Grading, Building and Infrastructure Approvals
Approving Agency / Accepting Authority	County of Hawai'i, Planning Department Alex Roy, (808) 961-8140, Alex.Roy@hawaiicounty.gov Aupuni Center, 101 Pauahi Street, Suite 3, Hilo, HI 96720
Applicant	Kamehameha Schools; Kawaiha'o Plaza, 567 S King St, Honolulu, HI 96813 Marissa Harman, (808) 982-0830, Keauhoubay@ksbe.edu
Consultant	G70; 111 S. King Street, Suite 170, Honolulu, HI 96813 Kawika McKeague, (808) 523-5866, KeauhouBay@g70.design
Status	Final EIS has been submitted and is pending acceptance by the accepting authority

Kamehameha Schools proposes to implement the Keauhou Bay Management Plan (KBMP) on approximately 29 acres at Keauhou Bay. The objective of the KBMP is to reinvigorate and transform the Keauhou Bay area to become a place where culture and education is celebrated and highlighted amidst viable commercial operations, which are essential to fund the cultural and educational programming within the immediate area. The KBMP proposes to reorient commercial activities away from culturally sensitive areas to alleviate congestion and establish a new place-based cultural educational center. Existing commercial operations and parking areas will be relocated to new facilities in more appropriate locations away from cultural resources. The KBMP also proposes to create a new low-impact lodging on the resort-zoned plateau mauka of the bay. The new reconfiguration will focus on place-based cultural stewardship, enhance and encourage bayfront access for kama'āina and kupa'āina, and promote high quality educational experiences for all.

If you are experiencing any ADA compliance issues with the above project, please contact the Kamehameha Schools consultant, Cody Winchester, at codyw@g70.design.

HAWAII EAS/EISs (CONTINUED)

Talon 1 Properties Self Storage Warehouse – Final EA (FONSI)

HRS §343-5(a) Trigger	(1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds
District(s)	South Hilo
TMK(s)	(3) 2-2-033:011
Permit(s)	NPDES, SWPPP, Plan Approval, Grading and Grubbing Permit, Building Permits; Special Management Area Use Permit
Approving Agency	County of Hawai'i, Planning Department ALEX ROY, (808) 961-8140, ALEX.ROY@HAWAIICOUNTY.GOV 101 PAUAHI STREET, SUITE 3, Hilo, HI 96720
Applicant	Talon 1 Properties LLC; 347 Andrews Ave., Hilo, HI 96720 Matthew Kilgore, (808) 333-3393, mkilgore@koaarchitects.com
Consultant	KOA Architects LLC; 65-1285C Kawaihae Road, Kamuela, HI 96743 Matthew Kilgore, (808) 217-6707, mkilgore@koaarchitects.com
Status	Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) determination

The proposed use is a three-floor self-storage warehouse with accompanying restrooms and elevators to serve the tenants. The design includes two porte-cochere on either end, North and South, to allow for large trucks and ADA parking stalls to park under roofed shelter and load/unload to the storage warehouse. The conceptual floor plan includes 88 storage units per floor for a total of 264 storage units within the warehouse. The self-storage warehouse schematic site plan includes 24' wide two-way access driveways at Piilani Street and Mililani Street. The site plan provides for 28 total full size parking stalls including 2 ADA van accessible stalls. The site plan also provides for seven 12x50 foot loading zones for customer convenience. The schematic design is three floors (12'-0" ground floor, 10'-0" floors 2 and 3 for a total height of 41'-8" which is compliant with the zoning height limit of 45'-0". The schematic design aesthetic is meant to evoke the 1920's era of Hilo Town.

If you are experiencing any ADA compliance issues with the above project, please contact the County of Hawai'i, Planning Department planner, ALEX ROY, at ALEX.ROY@HAWAIICOUNTY.GOV.

PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS OPEN FOR COMMENT

Status: The comment period for these projects began previously. Please click on the links below to read a document, then send comments to the relevant agency and copy any relevant applicant and/or consultant identified in the submission form that follows the initial agency letter.

COMMENTS DUE SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

MAUI

[Launiupoko Exploratory Wells Project – Draft EA \(AFNSI\)](#)

O'AHU

[East Kapolei Transit-Oriented Development Project – Draft EIS Vol I, Vol II, Vol III, Vol IV, 2024 Public Scoping Meeting Audio, and 2025 Public Scoping Meeting Audio](#)

COMMENTS DUE SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

MAUI

[Kaheawa Wind 1 Continued Use Project – Draft EIS and Public Scoping Meeting Audio](#)

COMMENTS DUE OCTOBER 7, 2025

MAUI

[Kaheawa Wind Power I Habitat Conservation Plan \(Draft HCP\)](#)

KAUAI

[Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative Habitat Conservation Plan – Draft EIS and Public Scoping Meeting Video](#)

COMMENTS DUE OCTOBER 22, 2025

KAUAI

[Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative Habitat Conservation Plan \(2nd Draft HCP\) Vol I and Appendices Vol II](#)

LISTS OF EXEMPTION NOTICES

Pursuant to [HAR § 11-200.1-17](#), State and county agencies that have determined specific actions to be exempt from the requirement to prepare an EA are required to submit a listing of such exemptions made during the previous month. The following are Lists of Exemption Notices submitted by various agencies for **August 2025, unless noted otherwise**. Contact the identified agency contact on each list for additional information about any specific exemption or any ADA compliance issues:

State of Hawai‘i

[Department of Education](#)

[Department of Land and Natural Resources](#)

[Department of Transportation](#)

[Hawaii Health Systems Corporation](#)

[University of Hawai‘i at Hilo, Center for Maunakea](#)

[Stewardship](#)

City and County of Honolulu

[Department of Design and Construction](#)

County of Hawai‘i

[Office of Housing and Community Development](#)

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT NOTICES

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) MINOR PERMITS

The SMA Minor permits below have been approved ([HRS § 205A-30](#)). For more information, contact the relevant county/state planning agency: Honolulu [(808) 768-8015]; Hawai‘i [East (808) 961-8288], [West (808) 323-4770]; Kaua‘i [(808) 241-4050]; Maui [(808) 270-7735]; Kaka‘ako or Kalaeloa Community Development District [(808) 587-2846]

Location (TMK)	Description (File No.)	Applicant/Agent
Kaua‘i: Hanalei (5-5-002: 121)	Construction of a new 1900 square feet barn and the installation of a new individual wastewater system. (SMA(M)-2026-2)	Coleman Buckley
Kaua‘i: Līhu‘e (3-2-004: 016)	Construction of a 30-foot x 58-foot canopy (SMA(M)-2026-3)	PAR Hawai‘i, LLC/ Belles Graham LLP
Kaua‘i: Princeville (5-4-008: 055)	Construction of a pool, pool equipment room, cabana, outdoor kitchen, fencing, associated decking, landscaping, and minor grading. (SMA(M)-2026-4)	Donna Sharp/ Belles Graham LLP
Maui: Lāhainā (4-4-008: 018)	Temporary tents and stage for the Achieve 2025 Incentive Program event at the Ka‘anapali Golf Course (SM2 2025-00034)	Cherie Hoshino
Maui: Wailuku (3-6-008: 002)	Maui Ocean Center Marine Institute Avian Rehabilitation Center (SM2 2025-00035)	William Spence
Maui: Kīhei (2-1-008: 140)	Erect temporary 46-foot x106-foot Dinner Tent, 10-foot x 10-foot Dressing Tent and 20-foot x 40-foot Food Service Tent for a private corporate event at the Wailea Golf Club (SM2 2025-00036)	Wayne Hikiji
O‘ahu: Kailua (4-2-015: 014)	Modify the on-site wastewater system to a septic tank effluent pumping system with two deep injection wells (Minor Modification to 2014/SMA-27)	Kapaa Light Industrial Park
O‘ahu: He‘eia (4-6-001: 015, 016 and 017)	Coconut Island Phase 3 – Sewer Line Repair Project (2025/SMA-56)	Hawai‘i Institute of Marine Biology, University of Hawai‘i/Kaimana Environmental Solutions LLC

CONSERVATION DISTRICT USE APPLICATIONS

Persons interested in commenting on the following Conservation District Use Application or interested in receiving notification of determinations on Conservation District Use Applications must submit comments and requests to the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Notification requests must include the following information: 1) Name and address of the requestor; 2) The application for which the requestor would like to receive notice of determination; and 3) The date the notice was initially published in the Environmental Notice. Send comments and requests to: Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands, P.O. Box 621, Honolulu, HI, 96809. DLNR will make every effort to notify those interested in the subject CDUAs. However, DLNR is not obligated to notify any person not strictly complying with the above requirements. For more information, please contact the Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands staff listed for each project. CDUAs can be found on the OCCL website at dlnr.hawaii.gov/occl

PROJECT:

File No.:	CDUA HA-3986 (Acceptance Letter)
Name of Applicant:	Stephen & Cheryl Winter
Location:	Papa'anui/Haina, Hamakua, Hawai'i
TMKs:	(3) 4-5-002: 016 & 080
Proposed Action:	Consolidation and Re-Subdivision
HRS Ch. 343 determination:	General Exemption Type 1, specifically: Part 1, item #41
Consultant's Contact:	Greg Nakai (808) 521-5631 gnakai@pbrhawaii.com
OCCL Staff Contact:	Tiger Mills (808) 587-0382 Kimberly.mills@hawaii.gov
File No.:	CDUA OA-3987 (Acceptance Letter)
Name of Applicant:	Hawaiki Submarine Cable USA, LLC
Location:	Honouliuli, 'Ewa, O'ahu
TMK:	Makai of (1) 9-2-049:001
Proposed Action:	Hawaiki Cable Landing Expansion Project
HRS Ch. 343 determination:	FONSI published in the July 8, 2025 issue of the Environmental Notice
Consultant's Contact:	Genevieve Rozhon Environmental Resources Management, Inc. Phone: (916) 999-8954 genevieve.rozhon@erm.com
OCCL Staff Contact:	Tiger Mills (808) 587-0382 kimberly.mills@hawaii.gov

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA) ACTIONS

As a courtesy, listed below are documents submitted for publication that have been prepared pursuant to NEPA, rather than Chapter 343, HRS (sometimes referred to as “HEPA”). Accordingly, these entries may have unique comment periods. Occasionally, actions are subject to both NEPA and HEPA. In those cases, a separate Chapter 343, HRS, entry would be published in *The Environmental Notice* when a relevant document or determination is submitted to OPSD/ERP.

Water Reclamation Facility Upgrade Marine Corps Base Hawaii – Final EA (FONSI)

Island	O’ahu
District(s)	Kāne’ohe Bay and Kailua Bay
Permit(s)	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit.
Proposing Agency	Marine Corps Base Hawaii Maj Thomas Santos, (808) 272-5549, thomas.e.santos.civ@usmc.mil
Approving Agency	Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, Southwest Ryan Maynard, (619) 705-5556, ryan.m.maynard4.civ@us.navy.mil
Consultant	Stantec; 737 Bishop Street, Suite 3050, Honolulu HI 96813 Peer Amble, (805) 570-1313, peer.amble@cardno-gs.com
Status	The Marine Corps solicited public and agency input on the Draft EA from April 8 – May 8, 2025 through publication of a Draft EA and through the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 consultation process. Public comments were considered as part of the decision-making process as identified in Appendix B of the EA. A printed copy of the Final EA-FONSI is available at the Hawaii Documents Center (Hawaii State Public Library) and at the following libraries on O’ahu: Kailua Public Library and Kāne’ohe Public Library. A copy of the Final EA-FONSI is located at the following websites: https://planning.hawaii.gov/erp and the MCB Hawaii website: https://www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/Offices-and-Staff/Environmental/#tab/environmental-evaluations .

The purpose of the proposed action aims to eliminate non-compliant discharges during planned maintenance events unexpected repairs by upgrading the existing infrastructure and building a redundant system with a capacity equivalent to the current Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). The upgraded facility would introduce new water reuse capabilities on base and be designed to meet tsunami resilience standards. Additionally, the improvements would enhance the quality of treated effluent to R-1 standards, allowing reclaimed water to be used for on-base irrigation, thereby reducing overall water demand and diverting up to 1 million gallons per day from the ocean outfall. Construction would be carried out in phases to minimize disruptions and ensure continuous operation of the WRF. The proposed construction would occur on previously disturbed areas and undeveloped landscaped areas within the existing WRF footprint. No modifications to the ocean outfall would occur under the proposed action, and there would be no increase in total discharge quantities. The upgraded WRF would operate just like the existing WRF.

If you are experiencing any ADA compliance issues with the above project, please contact the Marine Corps Base consultant, Peer Amble, peer.amble@cardno-gs.com.

SHORELINE NOTICES

APPLICATIONS FOR SHORELINE CERTIFICATION

The shoreline certification applications below are available for review and comment at the Department of Land and Natural Resources offices on Kaua'i, Hawai'i, Maui, and Honolulu, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220 ([HRS § 205A-42](#) and [HAR § 13- 222-12](#)). **Maps and photos of each application file can be viewed [here](#).** **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 15 calendar days from the date of this public notice of the application.** For more information, contact Rebecca Anderson at rebecca.l.anderson@hawaii.gov.

File No.	Location	ZIP Code	TMK	Applicant	Owner
MO-195	25 Maunaloa Highway	96748	(2) 5-3-001:003	Ryan M.Suzuki	County of Maui
KA-502	Kauai Beach Road	96766	(4) 3-7-003:007	Ryan M.Suzuki	Garden Isle Dream LLC

PROPOSED SHORELINE CERTIFICATIONS AND REJECTIONS

The shoreline notices below have been proposed for certification or rejection by the Department of Land and Natural Resources ([HRS § 205A-42](#) and [HAR § 13-222-26](#)). Any person or agency who wants to appeal shall file a notice of appeal in writing with DLNR no later than 20 calendar days from the date of this public notice. Send the appeal to the Board of Land and Natural Resources, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813.

File No.	Status	Location	Zip Code	TMK	Applicant	Owner
OA-2153	Proposed	68-631 & 68-623 Crozier Drive	96792	(1) 6-8-004:003 & 004	Leaps & Boundaries, Inc.	Kathleen H. Libby, Trustee of the John A. Libby Irrevocable Trust & John A. Libby, Trustee of the Kathleen H. Libby Irrevocable Trust
KA-500	Proposed	4-1624 & 4-1620 Kuhio Highway	96746	(4) 4-5-012:021 & 022	Honua Engineering, Inc.	Kauai Federal Credit Union

FEDERAL NOTICES

As a courtesy, listed below are some relevant entries from the Federal Register published since the last issue of *The Environmental Notice*. For more information, click on the title link, also available at www.federalregister.gov.

Proposed Rule: [Pacific Island Fisheries; Annual Catch Limit and Accountability Measures; Main Hawaiian Islands Deep 7 Bottomfish for Fishing Years 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027](#) (published by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on 09/04/2025)

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) proposes to implement an annual catch limit (ACL) for Deep 7 bottomfish in the main Hawaiian Islands (MHI) for fishing years 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027. The fishing year for the fishery begins on September 1 and ends on August 31 of the following year. This rule does not revise, add, or remove the current accountability measures (AM). The proposed rule supports the long-term sustainability of the Deep 7 bottomfish fishery. **NMFS must receive comments by October 6, 2025.** For more information, please click on the title link above.

Notice: [NOAA Fisheries Virtual Peer Review Workshop for the Fishing Effort Survey Calibration Model](#) (published by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on 09/03/2025)

NOAA Fisheries Office of Science and Technology will host a two-day virtual workshop with the opportunity for partner and public comment for the independent peer review of the proposed Fishing Effort Survey (FES) calibration model methodology. The model is proposed for use to update the historical recreational fishing estimates produced using the FES to the scale of the improved FES anticipated for implementation in January 2026. Pending peer review results and associated next steps, calibrated estimates using the peer-reviewed calibration model are anticipated to be available for use in subsequent stock assessments and fisheries management decisions in spring 2026. **The calibration peer review workshop will be held virtually Sept. 23 and 24, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. EDT and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. EDT, respectively.** For more information, please click on the title link above.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Agency Actions

Projects or programs proposed by any department, office, board, or commission of the state or county government which is part of the executive branch of that government per [HRS 343-2](#).

Applicant Actions

Projects or programs proposed by any person who, pursuant to statute, ordinance, or rule, requests approval for a proposed action per [HRS 343-2](#).

Draft Environmental Assessment

When an Agency or Applicant proposes an action that [triggers](#) HRS 343, an Environmental Assessment shall be prepared at the earliest practicable time to determine whether the action's environmental impact will be significant, and thus whether an environmental impact statement shall be required per [HRS 343-5\(b\)](#), for Agency actions and [HRS 343-5\(e\)](#), for Applicant actions. For actions for which the proposing or approving agency anticipates a Finding of No Significant Impact (AFNSI), a Draft EA (DEA) shall be made available for public review and comment for 30 days and public notice is published in this periodic bulletin.

Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The action's proponent shall respond in writing to comments on a DEA received during the 30-day review period and prepare a Final EA (FEA) that includes those responses to determine whether an environmental impact statement shall be required. If there are no significant impacts, then the Agency will issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will not be required and the project has cleared HRS 343 requirements. The public has 30 days from the notice of a FONSI in this bulletin to challenge the FONSI in the Environmental Court and seek a ruling to require the preparation of an EIS.

Final Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice

An EIS shall be required if the Agency finds that the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment. The Agency shall file notice of such determination with OPSP called an EIS Preparation Notice (EISP) along with the supporting Final EA. After the notice of the FEA-EISP is published in this bulletin, the public has 30 days to request to become a consulted party and to make written comments. The public (including the Applicant) has 60 days from the notice of the EISP in this bulletin to ask a court to not require the preparation of an EIS.

Act 172-2012, Direct-to-EIS, Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (with no EA)

Act 172 in 2012 amended HRS 343 by providing for an agency to bypass the preparation of an environmental assessment for various actions that in the experience of the agency would clearly require the preparation of an EIS. The agency must submit its determination that an EIS is required for an action (Act 172-2012, EISP) with a completed publication form detailing the specifics of the action. This starts a 30-day scoping period in which the agency or applicant must hold a public scoping meeting for the preparation of the Draft EIS. Written comments and responses on the EISP must be incorporated into the subsequent Draft EIS and oral comments from the public scoping meeting must be recorded and submitted to OPSP with the Draft EIS.

HEPA

While technically there is no "Hawai'i Environmental Policy Act," HRS 343 is often referred to by this term.

Act 312-2012, Secondary Actions in the Highway or Public Right Of Way

Act 312-2012, amended HRS 343, by adding a new section ([HRS 343-5.5](#)), entitled "Exception to applicability of chapter"). HEPA allows for a statutory exception for "secondary actions" (those that involve infrastructure in the highway or public right-of-way) provided that the permit or approval of the related "primary action" (those outside of the highway or public-right-of-way and on private property) is not subject to discretionary consent and further provided that the applicant for the primary action submits documentation from the appropriate agency confirming that no further discretionary approvals are required. An aid to understanding this is to visualize residential driveway improvements in the public right-of-way, versus, retail outlet driveway improvements in the public right-of-way.

Draft Environmental Impact Statement

After receiving the comments on the EISP, the Agency or Applicant must prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The content requirements of the DEIS shall contain an explanation of the environmental consequences of the proposed action including the direct, indirect and cumulative impacts and their mitigation measures. The public has 45 days from the first publication date in this bulletin to comment on a DEIS.

Final Environmental Impact Statement

After considering all public comments filed during the DEIS stage, the Agency or Applicant must prepare a Final EIS (FEIS). The FEIS must respond in a point-by-point manner to all comments from the draft and must be included in the FEIS. For Applicant projects, the Approving Agency is the Accepting Authority and must make a determination within 30 days or the FEIS is deemed accepted as a matter of law. For an Agency project, the Governor or the Mayor (or their designated representative) is the Accepting Authority, and unlike applicant actions, there is no time limit on the accepting authority reviewing the FEIS. Only after the FEIS is accepted may the project be implemented.

Acceptability

The Accepting Authority must be satisfied that the FEIS meets three criteria (process, content, response to comments) to accept it. Whether the FEIS is accepted or not accepted, notice of the Acceptance Determination is published in this bulletin. The public has 60 days from publication to legally challenge the acceptance of a FEIS. For both Applicant and Agency actions, the Applicant or the proposing Agency can prepare a Revised DEIS after a non-acceptance determination.



Maui Sunset

Photo by [Thomas Hawk](#)**National Environmental Policy Act**

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires federal projects to prepare a Federal EA or EIS. In many ways it is similar to Hawai'i's law. Some projects require both a State and Federal EIS and the public comment procedure should be coordinated. Upon request by a federal agency, OPSP publishes NEPA notices in this bulletin to help keep the public informed of important federal actions.

Conservation District

Proposed uses of land in the State Conservation District require a Conservation District Use Application (CDUA). These applications are reviewed and approved/denied by the Department or Board of Land and Natural Resources. Members of the public may intervene in the permit process. This bulletin will include EAs & EISs for actions proposed within the Conservation District.

Special Management Area and Shoreline Setback Area

The Special Management Area (SMA) is along the coastline of all islands; development in this area is generally regulated by [HRS 205A](#), and county ordinance. A portion of the SMA that is addressed by HRS 343 is the [Shoreline Area](#), which includes land between the State-certified shoreline and the county-determined shoreline setback line. This bulletin will include EAs & EISs for actions proposed within the Shoreline Setback Area. Some projects going through the SMA permit process on O'ahu are also required to go through an environmental review process that mirrors HRS 343; these "ROH Chapter 25" EAs/EISs are included in this bulletin.

Shoreline Certifications

State law requires that Hawai'i shorelines be surveyed and certified when necessary to clearly establish the shoreline setback from the certified shoreline. The public may participate in the process to help assure accurate regulatory boundaries. Private land owners often petition to have their shoreline certified by the State surveyor prior to construction. This bulletin publishes notice from the Department of Land and Natural Resources of shoreline certification applicants and final certifications or rejections.

Environmental Advisory Council

The [Environmental Advisory Council](#) is a 15-member citizen board appointed by the Governor. They serve as a liaison between the Director of OPSP and the general public concerning ecology and environmental quality. Agendas of their regular meetings are posted on the Internet and the public is invited to attend.

Agency Exemption Lists

Government agencies may keep a list describing the minor activities they regularly perform that are exempt from the environmental review process. These lists and any amendments shall be submitted to the Council for review and concurrence ([HAR 11-200.1-16](#)). This bulletin will publish an agency's draft exemption list for public comment prior to Council decision making, as well as notice of the Council's decision on the list.

Endangered Species

This bulletin is required by [HRS 343-3\(c\)](#), to publish notice of public comment periods or public hearings for Habitat Conservation Plans (HCP), Safe Harbor Agreements (SHA), or Incidental Take Licenses (ITL) under the federal Endangered Species Act, as well as availability for public inspection of a proposed HCP or SHA, or a proposed ITL (as a part of an HCP or SHA).