



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.



UH Hilo Center for Maunakea Stewardship will upgrade their Halepōhaku fuel storage system on Maunakea.

photo from the [project's Final EA](#)

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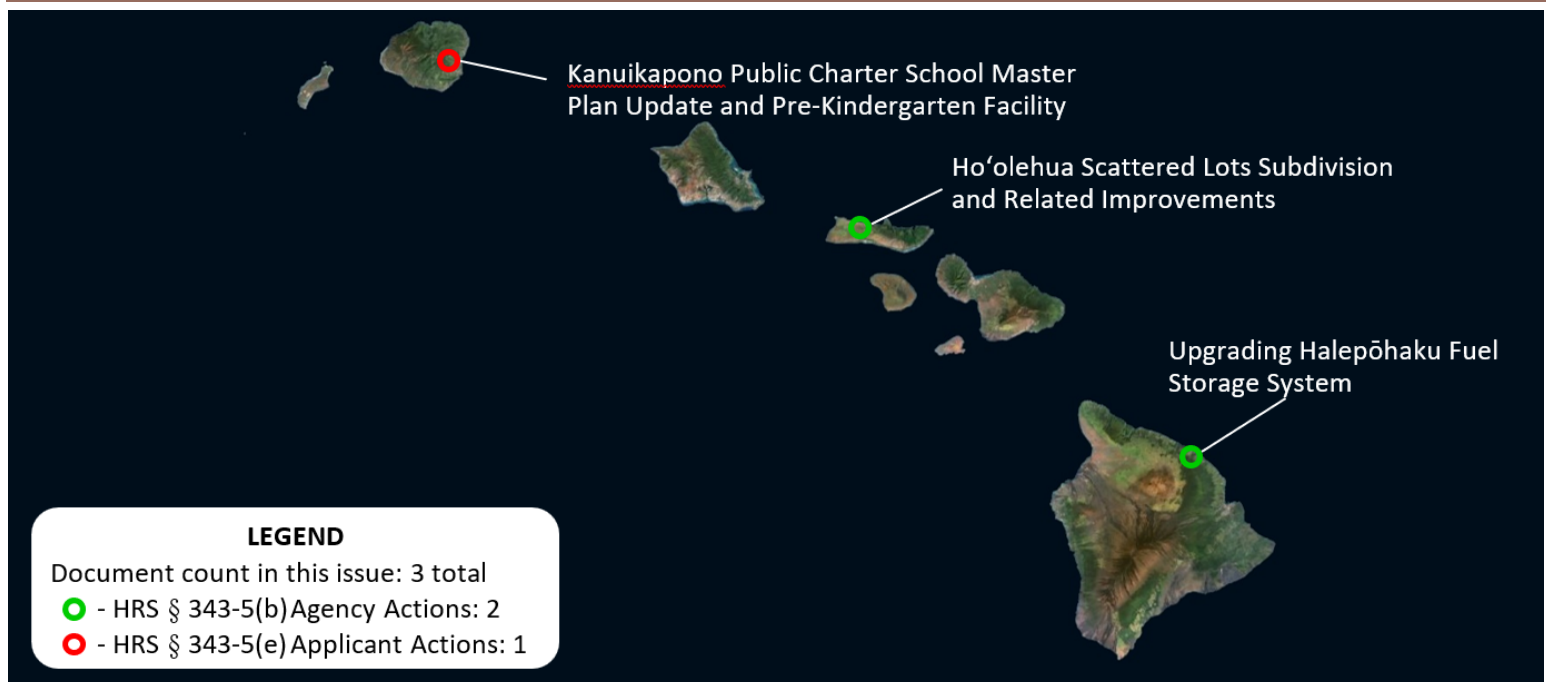
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The 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.
- Documents submitted **must not fail** the Adobe Accessibility Checker to be eligible for publication (we currently check all 32 of 32 options of the Adobe Accessibility Checker). Our website has an [ADA accessibility page](#) with further information.

STATEWIDE MAP OF EA/EIS DOCUMENTS AND DETERMINATIONS



KAUA‘I EAS/EISS

Kanuikapono Public Charter School Master Plan Update and Pre-Kindergarten Facility – Draft EA (AFNSI)

HRS §343-5(a) Trigger	(1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds
District(s)	Kawaihau
TMK(s)	(4) 4-8-022:089 (portion)
Permit(s)	None
Approving Agency	State of Hawai‘i, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands Kali Watson, (808) 620-9500, kali.watson@hawaii.gov 91-5420 Kapolei Parkway, Kapolei, HI 96707
Applicant	Kanuikapono Public Charter School; 4333 Kukuihale Rd., Anahola, HI 96703 Lois Ann Ell, (808) 320-3816, loisann.ell@kanuikapono.k12.hi.us
Consultant	Bowers + Kubota Consulting; 94-408 Akoki Street, Suite 201-A, Waipahu, HI 96797 Malachi Krishok; (808) 836-7787, mkrishok@bowersandkubota.com
Status	Statutory 30-day public review and comment period starts. Comments are due by May 8, 2026. Please click on title link above to read the document, then send comments to mkrishok@bowersandkubota.com .

The proposed KPCS Master Plan Update includes upgrades to existing facilities and targeted campus expansion. Improvements include new classrooms, locker rooms and restrooms, a roofed play court, barn, photovoltaic canopies over the parking lot, secured vehicle enclosure, a contemporary hale over a hula pā, and a new pedestrian bridge. A new Pre-Kindergarten facility is proposed with four classrooms accommodating up to 20 students each, supported by administrative and ancillary spaces. The facility will include outdoor learning areas, a piko gathering space, and on-site parking with a designated drop-off area. Infrastructure improvements include extension of the existing waterline along Laula Street, a new septic system, and new underground electrical and telecommunications service lines.

MOLOKA‘I EAS/EISS

Ho‘olehua Scattered Lots Subdivision and Related Improvements – Final EA (FONSI) Vol I and Vol II

HRS §343-5(a) Trigger	(1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds
District(s)	Moloka‘i
TMK(s)	(2)5-2-005:031;(2)5-2-026:003;(2)5-2-026:014;(2)5-2-026:016; (2)5-2-026:017; portions of Pu‘u Kapele Avenue, Farrington Avenue and Mo‘omomi Avenue
Permit(s)	County of Maui Subdivision approval, construction permits (building/grading permit) NPDES permit, Community Noise Permit (as applicable).
Proposing/Determining Agency	State of Hawai‘i, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands Robert Ing, (808) 730-7328, robert.m.ing@hawaii.gov 91-5420 Kapolei Parkway, Kapolei, Hawaii 96707
Consultant	Munekiyo Hiraga; 305 High Street, Suite 104, Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 Patrick McCormic, (808) 244-2015, planning@munekiyohiraga.com
Status	Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) determination

The State of Hawai‘i Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) proposes to subdivide five (5) parcels, totaling approximately 51.7 acres, into twelve (12) subsistence agricultural lots for its beneficiaries. The proposed project will be implemented on land identified by Tax Map Key Nos. (TMK) (2)5-2-005:031 (Parcel 31), TMK (2)5-2-026:003 (Parcel 3), (2)5-2-026:014 (Parcel 14), (2)5-2-026:016 (Parcel 16) and (2)5-2-026:017 (Parcel 17) and owned by the DHHL in Ho‘olehua, Moloka‘i, Hawai‘i. The lots are currently vacant, with the exception of several abandoned structures, and surrounded by other DHHL lands including developed homesteads and vacant agricultural lands.

Improvements needed to make the subdivided lots suitable for lease include the construction of access driveways from Mo‘omomi Avenue and Farrington Avenue and access driveways from Pu‘u Kapele Avenue. Roadway improvements include minimal grading and a 20-foot-wide paved road to provide access to the sites. Lot improvements include paved driveways and an assumed area for dwelling construction of 5,000 square feet per lot. Additional improvements include the construction of waterlines to provide irrigation and domestic water to the homestead lots.

HAWAII EAS/EISS

Upgrading Halepōhaku Fuel Storage System – 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 (2) Propose any use within any land classified as a conservation district
District(s)	Hāmākua
TMK(s)	(3) 4-4-015:012
Permit(s)	Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands: Site Plan Approval; County of Hawai‘i Department of Public Works: Grading, Grubbing, and Stockpiling Permits; County of Hawai‘i Department of Public Works, Building Division: Approval of all plans for electrical work; County of Hawai‘i Fire Department, Fire Prevention Branch: Tank Permit required for installation and removal of all tanks containing flammable or combustible liquids in excess of 60 gallons; Hawai‘i State Department of Health: Notification of permanent closure or a change-in-service of underground storage tanks; Hawai‘i State Department of Health: Community Noise Permit; Hawai‘i State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD): Concurrence that either no historical properties would be affected, or if present, SHPD approved protections or mitigation measures will be taken to protect historic property or burial sites.
Proposing/ Determining Agency	State of Hawai‘i, University of Hawai‘i at Hilo Gregory Chun, (808) 933-0734, cmshilo@hawaii.edu 200 W. Kāwili St., Hilo, HI 96720-4091
Consultant	Sustainable Resources Group Intn’l Inc.; 111 Hekili St, Suite A373, Kailua, HI 96734 Kristin Duin, (808) 356-0552, comments@srgii.com
Status	Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) determination

The University of Hawai‘i at Hilo (UH Hilo) Center for Maunakea Stewardship (CMS) proposes to upgrade the fuel storage system at the Maintenance Facility Area within the Halepōhaku parcel on Maunakea. The proposed upgrade involves decommissioning three existing single-wall underground storage tanks (USTs) and associated infrastructure and installing two aboveground storage tanks (ASTs).

The USTs would be removed in accordance with Hawai‘i Administrative Rules (HAR) Chapter 11-280.1-21, Upgrading UST Systems, which requires that by July 15, 2028, tanks with piping installed before August 9, 2013 be upgraded with secondary containment meeting HAR Section 11-280.1-24.

This infrastructure improvement is proposed to continue fulfilling the Operating and Site Development Agreements between UH Hilo/Maunakea Shared Services (MKSS) and the individual observatories, which require UH Hilo to provide essential services and utilities, including fuel. Onsite fuel storage is also necessary to support CMS and MKSS operational activities such as ranger patrols, road maintenance, and snow removal.

CHAPTER 25, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU

Use of the Special Management Area (SMA) is not a trigger under HRS Chapter 343, but major developments in O‘ahu’s SMA must go through an environmental review process that mirrors the procedural requirements of [HRS Chapter 343](#), pursuant to [Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, Chapter 25](#). Developments being reviewed under Chapter 25 but not Chapter 343 appear here.

New Nānākuli Commercial Building – Final EA (FONSI)

District(s)	Wai‘anae
TMK(s)	(1)-8-7-035:005
Permit(s)	SMA Major Permit; HRS Chapter 6E Review; BPs; Trenching Permit
Approving Agency	City and County of Honolulu, Department of Planning and Permitting Shelby Frangk, (808) 768-8019, shelby.frangk@honolulu.gov 650 South King Street, 7th Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Applicant	Kyung Chul Shin and Soon Ae Shin and Roy K. Yamamoto Architect, AIA, Inc.; c/o Consultant (see below)
Consultant	Planning Solutions, Inc.; 711 Kapi‘olani Boulevard, Suite 950, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Makena White; (808) 550-4538, makena@psi-hi.com
Status	Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) determination

Applicants Kyung Chul Shin and Soon Ae Shin are proposing a new two-story commercial building on a vacant lot within the B-1 Neighborhood Business District in Nanakuli. The lot is across Farrington Highway from the beach. The building will be L-shaped in configuration surrounding an open parking lot. Two open stairways will connect the ground and second floors. The development requires approval of a Special Management Area Use Permit from the Honolulu City Council.

PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS OPEN FOR COMMENT

Status: The comment period for these projects began in a previous issue. 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 APRIL 22, 2026

HAWAI‘I

[Four Mile Creek Bridge \[22-7\] Replacement Project – Draft EA \(AFNSI\)](#)

MAUI

[Proposed Single-Family Dwelling At 1191 Front Street – Draft EA \(AFNSI\)](#)

COMMENTS DUE MAY 7, 2026

MAUI

[Ho‘onani Village Mixed-Use Development – Draft EIS Vol I, Vol II, Vol III, and Scoping Meeting Audio](#)

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 **March 2026, 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 Land and Natural Resources](#)
[Hawai‘i Housing & Finance Development Corporation](#)

City and County of Honolulu

[Board of Water Supply \(Feb 2026\)](#)
[Department of Planning and Permitting](#)

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 <https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/occl/>.

PROJECT:

File No.: CDUA HA-3994
[Department’s Acceptance Letter](#)

Name of Applicant: Hawai‘i Department of Transportation
 Agent: Hawai‘i Department of Transportation, Administration Modal Unit
 Location: Submerged waters located in ‘Ewa, Honouliuli, O‘ahu
 TMK: Offshore of (1) 9-1-014:049
 Proposed Action: [Kalaeloa Hybrid Reef Project](#)
 343, HRS determination: [FONSI](#) was published in the [February 23, 2026, issue of the Environmental Notice](#)
 Agent's Contact: Genevieve Hillard Sullivan
 Phone: (808) 587-2169
 Email: genevieve.h.sullivan@hawaii.gov

OCCL Staff Contact: Raymond Lei
 Phone: (808) 587-0373
 Email: raymond.lei@hawaii.gov

NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT, SECTION 106 CONSULTATION

Lahaina Wastewater Reclamation Facility RAS/Dewatering Upgrades

Island	Maui
District(s)	Honokōwai Ahupua‘a, Lāhainā District
TMK(s)	(2) 4-4-002:029
Proposing / Approving Agency	State of Hawaii, Department of Health, Environmental Management Division, Wastewater Branch Chane Hayashida, (808) 586-4294, Chane.Hayashida@doh.hawaii.gov 2827 Waimano Home Road, Rm. 207, Pearl City, HI 96782
Consultant	Jacobs; 1003 Bishop Street, Suite 1340, Honolulu, HI 96813 Contact and Phone: Tony Ali, (808) 440-0208, Tony.Ali@jacobs.com
Status	Comments due no later than May 8, 2026 to: Attn: Chane Hayashida Department of Health, Wastewater Branch 2827 Waimano Home Road, Rm. 207 Pearl City, HI 96782 Email: wwb@doh.hawaii.gov

The Department of Health (DOH) will initiate Section 106 of the NHPA consultation with the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800. In 1990, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated the DOH to act on EPA’s behalf, pursuant to 36 CFR §800.2 (c) (4), when initiating Section 106 of the NHPA process in connection with projects funded under the Hawai‘i Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF). The DOH is providing funding under the CWSRF to the County of Maui for the Lahaina Wastewater Reclamation Facility RAS/Dewatering Upgrades. The proposed project will utilize federal funding and is considered an undertaking, as defined by Section 106 of the NHPA, 54 U.S.C. §306101 et seq., and 36 CFR Part 800.

The undertaking consists of replacing the existing dewatering equipment (centrifuges) with screw presses; installing new solids-handling conveyors and a covered loadout facility; and modifying and remodeling the existing restroom, storage room, and electrical room. Additional improvements include the construction of a temporary dewatering and loadout facility; the construction of a new, partially buried concrete tank for thickening waste-activated sludge (WAS); the installation of thickening and conveyance equipment; and modifications to the existing return-activated sludge (RAS) pump room, including the replacement of RAS pumps and associated equipment. The project also includes the relocation and installation of photovoltaic (PV) panels in coordination with the PV system owner

The DOH will engage SHPD to determine the presence of potential sites of historic importance within the vicinity of the project area as well as the potential impact of the project on such sites, if present.

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.

Construction of a C-40A Aircraft Maintenance Hangar (MILCON P-2001) – Final EA

Island	Oahu
Permit(s)	Consultation under Section 106 of the NHPA; Consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act; State of Hawaii Office of Planning and Sustainable Development Planning Division Coastal Zone Management Act; Notice of General Permit Coverage (NGPC) from the State of Hawaii Department of Health.
Proposing Agency	Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, Pacific 258 Makalapa Drive, Suite 100 Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, HI 96860-3134 Attn: EV21 Project Mgr. MCBH C-40A Hangar EA
Approving Agency	US Navy (see above)
Status	After careful review of the EA, the Navy and Marine Corps have selected the Hangar 104 Site for construction of the C-40A hangar and aircraft apron. This alternative includes the continued operations of the C-40A. The Navy and Marine Corps concluded that the Proposed Action will not result in significant impacts to the quality of the human environment. The Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is based on the analysis contained in the Final EA, including the conservation measures and BMPs detailed throughout, as well as the mitigation measures. The EA may be obtained by downloading an electronic copy from the MCBH website: https://mcbhawaii.usmc.afpims.mil/Offices-and-Staff/Environmental or by contacting: Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, Pacific, Attn: EV21 Project Mgr. MCBH C-40A Hangar EA, 258 Makalapa Drive, Suite 100, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, HI 96860-3134. Email: NAVFAC_PAC_EV_RECEIVE2@us.navy.mil .

The Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Department of Navy Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV) Manual 5090.1, and Marine Corps Order 5090.2 Volume 12. The Proposed Action is to construct an aircraft maintenance hangar for new United States (U.S.) Naval Air Force Reserve VR-51 C-40A aircraft on Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH). VR-51 is a tenant on MCBH. Although the transition to the C-40A aircraft has already occurred, this EA analyzes impacts associated with construction of a maintenance hangar, in addition to operational impacts of the C-40A. At the time of the transition, the Navy did not anticipate the need for a new hangar to support the new airframe. The Navy recognizes that this EA needed to analyze operations impacts; therefore, the EA was revised to include operational impacts. The [Draft EA](#) was circulated for public review from May 17, 2023 to June 16, 2023. Substantive public comments were received that required the Action Proponent to review the proposed action and potential construction and operations impacts. The [Draft EA was revised and recirculated](#) for another formal public review from March 08, 2025-April 07, 2025.

This EA evaluates the potential environmental direct and indirect impacts of the Proposed Action to the following resources: air quality, water resources, natural resources, natural hazards and resiliency, cultural resources, infrastructure, noise, and hazardous materials and waste.

The EA may be obtained by downloading an electronic copy from the MCBH website <https://mcbhawaii.usmc.afpims.mil/Offices-and-Staff/Environmental>

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT NOTICES

FEDERAL CONSISTENCY REVIEWS

The following federal actions are being reviewed for consistency with the enforceable policies of the Hawai'i Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program, including [the CZM objectives and policies in Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Chapter 205A](#). Federal consistency, pursuant to Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA), as amended, generally requires that federal actions, within and outside of the coastal zone, which have reasonably foreseeable effects on any coastal use (land or water) or natural resource of the coastal zone be consistent with the enforceable policies of a state's federally approved coastal management program. Federal actions include federal agency activities, federal license or permit activities, and federal financial assistance activities. This public notice is being provided in accordance with § 306(d)(14) of the CZMA, and federal regulations at 15 CFR § 930.2, § 930.42, and § 930.61. General information about federal consistency is available at the [Hawai'i CZM Program website](#), or call (808) 587-2878.

For specific information or questions about an action listed below, contact the CZM staff person identified for each action. The CZM Program is required to adhere to federal review deadlines, therefore, comments must be received by the date specified. Comments may be submitted by mail or electronic mail, to the addresses below.

Mail: Office of Planning and Sustainable Development
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
P.O. Box 2359, Honolulu, HI 96804

Email: Debra.L.Mendes@hawaii.gov

Nimitz Highway Slip Cover #4 Repair Project

Proposed Action: The Hawai'i Department of Transportation is applying for a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit to repair the Nimitz Highway Slip Cover #4. The scope of work includes repairing delamination and spalling on the deck soffit, pile caps, edge beams, and piles, as well as addressing major cracking and undermining along the piles.

Remediation efforts will involve removing loose concrete, coating exposed reinforcing steel to prevent corrosion, and installing ¼-inch diameter stainless steel pins where no reinforcing is present. The project is also expected to include mortar repairs below the high-water mark to address deficiencies identified during the underwater inspection. Cleaning and repair work will be conducted for major cracks and areas of undermining on the concrete piles.

All construction activities will be performed in accordance with the Standard Plans (2008), the Hawai'i Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction (2005 edition), and the latest specifications for the Installation of Miscellaneous Improvements within State Highways issued by the State of Hawai'i, Department of Transportation, Highways Division.

The project is located within the existing Nimitz Highway right-of-way, between Pier 11 and Pier 12. The work area includes the length of Slip Cover #4, which is approximately 60 feet long and 20 feet wide from the edge of the bridge to the highway right-of-way. The construction staging area will be located on an offshore barge.

The project does not include railing repairs, roadway resurfacing, landscaping, or other roadway or bridge improvements such as signage or guardrails.

Location: Nimitz Highway near Pier 13, Island of O'ahu

Applicant: Hawai'i Department of Transportation

Federal Action: Federal Permit

Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

CZM Contact: Debra Mendes, (808) 587-2840, Debra.L.Mendes@hawaii.gov

Comments Due: April 22, 2026

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT NOTICES (CONTINUED)

FEDERAL CONSISTENCY REVIEWS (CONTINUED)

Kahana Boat Ramp and Loading Dock Repair Project

Proposed Action: The State Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR) is applying for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permits to replace the existing Kahana Boat Ramp and improve the existing loading dock. The scope of work involves replacing the existing boat ramp with same or a near-similar footprint using pre-cast concrete panels. A 69-foot-long portion of the existing ramp will be sawcut and removed. Excavation will extend to a depth of 24 inches below the proposed finished surface. Existing rock debris between the boat ramp and the pier will be removed.

The project will also replace the existing wooden loading-dock with an aluminum frame, fiber-reinforced polymer (FRP) decking, and composite plastic fenders. The upgraded loading dock will be ADA-compliant and will utilize the existing foundations. No in-water work is proposed for these improvements.

All loading-dock work will occur above the mean higher high water (MHHW) elevation, with only the composite timber fender extending approximately 1 foot below MHHW. The existing dock foundations—consisting of one row of four 16-inch-diameter concrete piles and one row of concrete pedestals resting on the existing rock groin—will remain unchanged. No new piles or foundations will be installed.

Location: Kahana Bay Boat Ramp, Ko'olauloa District, Island of O'ahu

TMK: (1) 5-2-005:003 por.

Applicant: DLNR-DOBOR

Federal Action: Federal Permit

Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

CZM Contact: Debra Mendes, (808) 587-2840, Debra.L.Mendes@hawaii.gov

Comments Due: April 22, 2026

Puakō Boat Ramp and Loading Dock Repair Project

Proposed Action: The State Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR) is applying for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permits to replace the existing Puakō Boat Ramp and improve the existing loading dock. The scope of work involves replacing the existing boat ramp with one of the same or a near-similar footprint using pre-cast concrete panels. An 85.5-foot-long section of the existing ramp will be sawcut and removed. Excavation will extend from a depth of approximately 32 inches at the top of the ramp to 15 inches toward the remaining portions. Crushed aggregate base will be installed over the existing large boulder fill, followed by a leveling frame and nine pre-cast reinforced concrete panels with concrete closure strips along both sides and at the bottom of the ramp panels. A wheel stop will be installed at the end of the ramp, along with a stone end stop. New rocks will be placed along the north side of the existing ramp.

The project also includes replacing the existing wooden loading dock with a new prefabricated floating dock within the same footprint. The existing concrete piles that support the original dock will be replaced with new pre-cast concrete piles, which will be installed into predrilled holes. New rocks will be placed on the south side of the existing abutment.

The approach from the parking lot to the loading dock will include an ADA-compliant concrete ramp with aluminum handrails. The concrete walkway will connect the parking area to the existing concrete abutment and the new floating dock. No in-water work is proposed for construction of the ADA ramp.

Location: Puakō Boat Ramp, Kamuela, Island of Hawai'i

TMK: (3) 6-9-002:002 por.

Applicant: DLNR-DOBOR

Federal Action: Federal Permit

Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

CZM Contact: Debra Mendes, (808) 587-2840, Debra.L.Mendes@hawaii.gov

Comments Due: April 22, 2026

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT NOTICES (CONTINUED)

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
O‘ahu: Kāne‘ohe (4-4-037: 049)	Construction of a new swimming pool with pool house and equipment area, covered lanai, uncovered deck and spiral staircase, concrete paver area, concrete rubble masonry fence wall and study addition to an existing single-unit dwelling (2025/SMA-103)	Phillip G. Elliott/WHALE Environmental Services, LLC (Mark Howland)
Hawai‘i: South Hilo (2-7-004: 118)	Construction of temporary tents for a video production at Pāpa‘ikou Camp (PL-SMM-2026-000085)	Bumper Productions, LLC

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 Barry Cheung at barry.w.cheung@hawaii.gov.

File No.	Location	ZIP Code	TMK	Applicant	Owner
MA-865	5157 Lower Honoapiilani Road	96761	(2) 4-3-007:002	Arthur P. Valencia	Builders Edge Holdings LLC
MA-866	355 Front Street	96761	(2) 4-6-003:011	Arthur P. Valencia	David W and Catherine Medina Trust
MA-867	347 Front Street	96761	(2) 4-6-003:016	Action Survey LLC	The Mason Family Trust

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-2160	Proposed	4679 & 4679-B Kahala Avenue	96816	(1) 3-5-005:002 & 003	Austin Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc.	HHLH, LLC & Yamazaki Mazak Nederland, B.V.
OA-2172	Proposed	55-143 Naupaka Street	96762	(1) 5-5-011:077	Benjamin E. K. Guieb	Robert C. Rogers, Trustee, Robert C. Rogers Trust & Barbara Ann Rogers, Trustee, Barbara Ann Rogers Trust
OA-2174	Proposed	Kaluanui Stream Bridge	96717	(1) 5-3-009:047	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc.	City & County of Honolulu
KA-502	Proposed	Kauai Beach Road	96766	(4) 3-7-003:007	Ryan M. Suzuki	Garden Isle Dream LLC

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.

Notice: [Certain New Chemicals or Significant New Uses; Statements of Findings-January 2026](#) (published by the Environmental Protection Agency on 03/23/2026)

The Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires EPA to publish in the **Federal Register** a statement of its findings after its review of certain TSCA submissions when EPA makes a finding that a new chemical substance or significant new use is not likely to present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment. Such statements apply to premanufacture notices (PMNs), microbial commercial activity notices (MCANs), and significant new use notices (SNUNs) submitted to EPA under TSCA. This document presents statements of findings made by EPA on such submissions during the period from January 1, 2026, to January 31, 2026.

Notice: [Permanent Advisory Committee To Advise the U.S. Commissioners to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission; Meeting Announcement](#) (published by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on 03/23/2026)

NMFS announces a public meeting of the Permanent Advisory Committee (PAC) to advise the U.S. Commissioners to the Commission for the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (WCPFC) on **May 27, 2026**. Meeting topics are provided under the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of the linked notice.

Notice: [Notice of Adoption of Categorical Exclusions Under Section 109 of the National Environmental Policy Act](#) (published by the Homeland Security Department on 03/27/2026)

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is notifying the public and documenting the adoption of five categorical exclusions (CEs) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). This notice identifies the types of actions to which DHS will apply the CEs, the considerations that DHS will use in determining the applicability of the CEs, and the consultation between the agencies on the use of the CEs, including application of extraordinary circumstances.

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 OPSD called an EIS Preparation Notice (EISPN) along with the supporting Final EA. After the notice of the FEA-EISPN 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 EISPN 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, EISPN) 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 EISPN must be incorporated into the subsequent Draft EIS and oral comments from the public scoping meeting must be recorded and submitted to OPSD 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 EISPN, 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, OPSD 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 OPSD 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).