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## Hawaii Kai Dredging & Nourishment

The State Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation is proposing to dredge the entrance channel to Hawaii Kai Marina. The purpose of the project is to widen and improve access through the main entrance channel to Hawaii Kai Marina. The dredged sand will then be used to nourish the adjacent Portlock Beach.

The marina's main entrance channel under the bridge has been filling with sand and sediment that migrates primarily from Portlock Beach. Portlock Beach sand is transported to the west by wave and current action. When the sand reaches the marina channel, it deposits under the bridge. As a result, three of the four passages under the bridge are completely blocked. The project will clear the obstruction between the bridge pilings to allow boat access.

### Port Allen Airport Improvements

The Department of Transportation is proposing to make several improvements to the Port Allen Airport on the south side of Kauai. The project includes 4 lease lots for helicopter operations, 2 airplane tie-down areas and runway lights for emergency night use.

Port Allen Airport is a single runway, general aviation airport located near Hanapepe. The land at Port Allen is owned by the State of Hawaii (90% of the property is ceded land) and is within the Special Management Area.

The unique and historic Hanapepe Salt Ponds are located next to the airport. The Salt Ponds have been on the Hawaii Register of Historic Places since 1974. The Salt Ponds are currently being transferred from the Department of Transportation to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for administrative purposes.

Although sand has accreted at the channel, farther along the shoreline Portlock Beach has eroded on the average of 1.3 feet per year between 1974 and 1988. The beach has gone through cycles of erosion and accretion since 1950 apparently in response to various construction activities including original dredging of the marina.

In addition to nourishing the beach, a demonstration sand retention system will be built. The retention system will consist of a groin made out of sand bags placed at the west end of the beach to block sand transport into the channel. The retention system will be monitored over a five-year period to evaluate its effectiveness. For more information, please see page 4.

Major issues identified in the draft environmental assessment include: noise levels generated by aircraft; the use of ceded lands; the effect upon the Salt Ponds; potential induced growth of Hanapepe Town; and access to the Port Allen Peninsula. For more information, see page 14.

### New Voluntary Clean Up Program Begins

The new Voluntary Response Program to promote the clean up of contaminated properties is now up and running. The VRP, which was signed into law last July, is the latest addition to the state's Environmental Response Law which governs the cleanup of contaminated property in Hawaii.

The purpose of the VRP is to encourage property owners to voluntarily remove toxic substances from their properties in return for relief from future liability related to the contamination. Please see page 7.

# Definitions

## Your guide to the Environmental Review Process

### Draft Environmental Assessment

A project or action that may affect the environment cannot be implemented until an Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared in accordance with HRS §343. If the lead government agency anticipates that the project will have no significant environmental impact, then a Draft EA is written and public notice is published in this bulletin. The public has 30 days to comment on the Draft EA from the date of the first notice.

### Final Environmental Assessment and FONSI (Negative Declaration)

If, after the lead agency reviews the public comments, it feels that the project will have no significant effect on the environment, then it will prepare a Final EA and issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) formerly called a *Negative Declaration*. The Final EA must respond to all public comments. An Environmental Impact Statement will not be required and the project may now be implemented. The public has 30 days from the first notice of a FONSI in this Bulletin to sue in court to require the preparation of an EIS.

### EIS Prep Notice

If the lead agency decides that a project may have a significant environmental impact, it must prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prior to implementing the project. The first step in preparing an EIS is publishing an EIS Preparation Notice (Prep Notice) in this Bulletin. Agencies, groups or individuals have 30 days from the first publication of an EIS Prep Notice to request to become a consulted party and to make written comments regarding the environmental effects of the proposed action. The draft EIS must respond to these comments.

### Draft EIS

If a project is likely to have a significant environmental impact, the lead agency or private applicant must prepare a

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) prior to project implementation. This document must completely disclose the likely impacts of a project. Secondary and cumulative impacts must be discussed along with measures proposed to mitigate them. The public has 45 days from the first publication date in this Bulletin to comment on a Draft EIS.

### Final EIS

After considering public comments filed during the Draft EIS stage, the agency or applicant must prepare a Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS). The Final EIS must respond to all comments from the draft stage. If deeper analysis was required, it must be included in this document. If the project is from a private applicant, the lead agency is authorized to accept the FEIS. If the project is public, the Governor or Mayor is the accepting authority. Only after the EIS is accepted, may the project be implemented.

### EIS Acceptance Notice

If the accepting authority accepts a Final Environmental Impact Statement, a separate EIS Acceptance Notice will be published in this Bulletin. The public has 60 days from the date of first notice of acceptance to sue in court to challenge the acceptance of an EIS.

### NEPA

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is the law that requires federal projects to prepare an EIS. It is similar to Hawaii's law. Some projects require both a state and federal EIS and the public comment procedure should be coordinated. Although not required by law, the OEQC publishes NEPA notices in this Bulletin to help keep the public informed of important actions.

### Special Management Area Permits

The Special Management Area (SMA) is along the coastlines of all our islands. Most development in this area requires a Special Management Permit (SMP). The Counties regulate development

of this area. On Oahu, the County law requires an EA be prepared to accompany a permit application. This Bulletin posts notice of these SMP applications to encourage public input.

### Shoreline Certifications

State law requires that Hawaii shorelines be surveyed and certified when necessary to clearly establish the regulatory building setback (usually 40 feet inland from the shoreline). The public may participate in the process to help assure accurate regulatory boundaries. Private land owners often petition to have their shoreline certified prior to construction. This Bulletin publishes notice of both shoreline certification applications and of final certifications or rejections.

### Environmental Council

The Environmental Council is a fifteen-member citizen board appointed by the Governor to advise the State on environmental concerns. The council makes the rules that govern the Environmental Impact Statement process. The agendas of their regular meetings are published in this Bulletin and the public is invited to attend.

### Exemption Lists

Government agencies must keep a list describing the minor activities they regularly perform that are declared exempt from the environmental review process. These lists are reviewed and approved by the Environmental Council. This Bulletin will publish an agency's draft exemption list for public comment prior to Council decision making.

### Conservation District Permits

Use of land in the State Conservation District requires a Conservation District Use Application (CDUA). These applications are reviewed and approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR). Members of the public may intervene in the permit process. Notice of these permit applications is published in this Bulletin.

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# Oahu Notices

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## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) Maunalua Bay Dredging

**District:** Honolulu  
**TMK:** 3-9-02  
**Applicant:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation  
P.O. Box 621  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809  
Contact: Hiram Young (587-0260)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation  
P.O. Box 621  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809  
Contact: Hiram Young (587-0260)

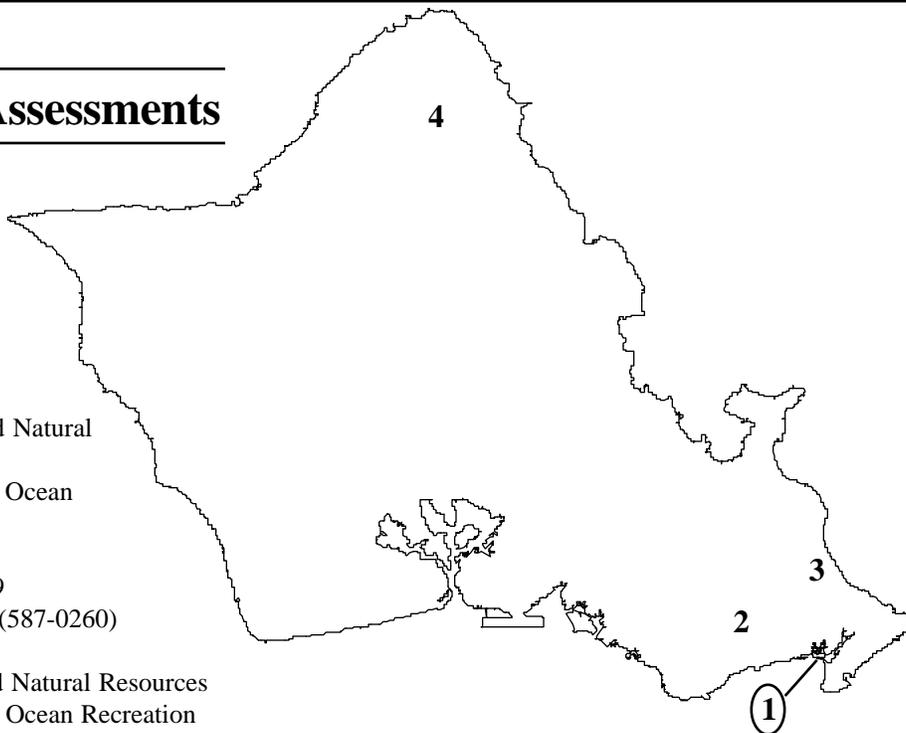
**Consultant:** Oceanit Laboratories, Inc.  
1100 Alakea Street, Ste. 3100  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Dr. Warren Bucher (531-3017)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.  
**Permits Required:** CDUA, army permit, water quality certification, SMA

The State of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation is proposing to perform maintenance dredging of the entrance channel to Hawaii Kai Marina and renourishment of Portlock Beach with dredged sand. The main channel has four passages between bridge pilings of the Kalaniana'ole Highway bridge. Sediment has obstructed boat access through three of the four passages. Sedimentation has also created shoal areas on both sides of the bridge that are navigation hazards.

The proposed action would dredge for maintenance purposes approximately 8,000 cubic yards of sand in the vicinity of the main channel. Clean dredged sand would be used to nourish adjacent Portlock Beach. In addition, an experimental beach nourishment retention system would be



constructed at the west end of Portlock Beach near the edge of the channel to minimize the quantity of sand that is transported through normal wave action back into the channel.



### (2) Waialae West Well

**District:** Honolulu  
**TMK:** 3-3-014:016  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Board of Water Supply  
630 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843  
Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Board of Water Supply  
630 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843  
Contact: Raymond Sato (527-6180)  
**Consultant:** R.M. Towill Corporation  
420 Waiakamilo Road, Suite 411  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817-4941  
Contact: Brian Takeda (521-3051)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998

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

**Permits Required:** Well construction, pump installation, water use, noise, NPDES, Dev. Plan amendment

The Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) proposes to drill a well into its existing, deactivated Waiialae shaft. The site is located north of Claudine Street, between 16th Avenue and Koko Drive. The site comprises 56,304 square feet of land that is owned by the BWS and located adjacent to an existing City and County park at the corner of Claudine Street and 16th Avenue. The well is intended to produce 0.5 million gallons of potable water per day.

The BWS will drill into the sump of the shaft to reactivate the source. The existing inclined shaft will be sealed off. Test pumping will be performed to determine the quantity and quality of water. If safe drinking water quality standards are met, a permanent pump will be installed. If test results indicate the quantity and quality of water is unsatisfactory for potable use, the well will be sealed.

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## Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices (EISPN)

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### (3) Waimanalo Wastewater Facilities Plan

**District:** Koolauapoko  
**TMK:** 4-1  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Wastewater Management  
650 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Carl Arakaki/Robert Miyasaki  
(523-4671/527-5159)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Consultant:** Hawaii Pacific Engineers, Inc.  
1132 Bishop Street, Suite 1003  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-2830  
Contact: Roy Abe (524-3771)

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** EISPN First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits Required:** Building, grading, UIC, SMA, NPDES, community noise, state highway work, dewatering/effluent discharge, flood hazard variance, flammable/combustible liquids tank.

The City and County of Honolulu Department of Wastewater Management is updating its Waimanalo Wastewater Facilities Plan. This planning document describes recommended collection system and treatment facility improvements to meet the wastewater management needs of the Waimanalo community to the year 2020.

The average daily flow at the Waimanalo Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is projected to increase from the present 0.6 million gallons per day (mgd) to up to 1.1 mgd in the year 2020 due to additional development and expansion of the wastewater collection system. The original wastewater facilities plan and EIS prepared in 1984 projected a flow of 0.7 mgd for the year 2005.

Major proposed improvements at the Waimanalo WWTP include new secondary biological treatment processes, effluent filtration facilities, effluent disposal injection wells, and sludge thickening facilities. Other proposed improvements include an ultraviolet disinfection system and effluent pumping facilities to allow reclaimed effluent to be used as a source of irrigation water.

Rehabilitation work on the western portion of the existing sewer system is proposed to reduce entry of groundwater and surface runoff into the sewer lines.

Sewering of approximately 350 existing homes in the coastal "beach lot area" of Waimanalo to eliminate use of individual wastewater systems is recommended if future studies indicate that this action will result in water quality benefits. Recent groundwater investigations at Waimanalo indicate that pathogens from the cesspools in coastal areas may potentially be effectively removed by the sandy soil. The discharge of nitrogen to coastal waters in the form of soluble nitrates, however, is a concern. Additional investigations to quantify and assess other sources of nitrogen in the Waimanalo watershed are recommended.

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The total estimated capital cost for the proposed wastewater facility improvements is \$22.8 million. The Waimanalo WWTP improvements are estimated to cost \$16.1 million. Expansion and rehabilitation of the sewer system is estimated to cost \$6.7 million.

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## National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

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### (4) Kahuku Training Area Land Acquisition

**District:** Koolauloa  
**TMK:** 5-6-5:04, 5-6-07:04, 5-6-08: 01 & 02, 5-7-02:01 & 03, 5-7-04:01, 5-8-2:03 & 06  
**Applicant:** Directorate of Public Works  
U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii  
Schofield Barracks, Hawaii 96857-5013  
Contact: Peter Yuh, Jr. (656-2878, ext. 1051)

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998

Currently, the Army leases 8,213.798 acres of land at Kahuku Training Area (KTA) from the James Campbell Estate for military training. The proposed action is for the acquisition of this property. Land acquisition is being proposed because the long-term leasing of the KTA property has lapsed and the Army is currently on an extended, year-to-year lease. By purchasing the land the Army would secure long-term cost savings from escalating lease rent and insure the availability of land to continue conducting required maneuver field training for its active duty and reserve forces in Hawaii. Failure to purchase the property could seriously jeopardize the Army's use of the area and adversely impact the readiness posture of all the military units that conduct training at KTA.

There will be no changes to the existing land use or the current type of training that is conducted at KTA with the land purchase. Under Army ownership, ecosystem management programs developed to protect and preserve natural and cultural resources would continue as part of the Army's ongoing effort to improve environmental stewardship. As an Army training area, open space and view planes will be preserved.

Comment deadline for this Draft Environmental Assessment is March 10, 1998. Please send comments to:

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

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### Manoa Stream Bank Erosion and Stabilization Structure

**Applicant:** Manoa Village Association  
2939 East Manoa Road  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822  
Contact: Mel Miyamoto (733-3223)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

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

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** February 23, 1998

#### Moanalua Nonpotable Well

**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Board of Water Supply  
630 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843  
Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Board of Water Supply  
630 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843  
Contact: Raymond Sato (527-6180)

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** February 23, 1998

## 🌿 Ocean Pointe Common Area Facility

**Applicant:** Haseko Homes  
820 Mililani Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Paul Jordan (599-1444)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

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

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** February 23, 1998



## Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices

### 🌿 Waiola Regional Park and Sports Complex

**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Building Department  
650 South King Street, 2nd Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Warren Sato (527-6370)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

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

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** February 23, 1998

## State Voluntary Response Program Up And Running

Last July, the Governor signed the Voluntary Response Program (VRP) into law. The VRP is the latest addition to the State's Environmental Response Law which governs the cleanup of contaminated property in Hawaii. The purpose of the VRP is to encourage the cleanup and redevelopment of contaminated property, and to relieve eligible parties from future liability related to the contamination.

### Background of the VRP

Responding to the need to clean up sites contaminated with toxic substances, the Federal Government passed the Comprehensive, Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980. This law created what is commonly known as the Federal Superfund Program. In 1989, Hawaii passed the Environmental Response Law (ERL) to establish a similar program at the State level.

Both the Federal and State cleanup programs contain very strict provisions for assessing liability and assigning responsibility for cleanup. Under the law, a party which has had nothing to do with creating a contamination problem can become responsible for cleaning up the problem.

Because of the strict liability provisions in these laws, potential purchasers and developers are reluctant to become involved with property that may be contaminated for fear of becoming responsible parties and incurring major financial liabilities. The result has been that property with relatively little or no contamination is not being used or developed to its fullest potential.

Federal and State governments are working together to respond to this situation by finding ways to encourage parties

to clean up contaminated sites. In Hawaii, the result of these efforts is the Voluntary Response Program (VRP) which became effective on October 7, 1997.

### How Does the Program Work?

If eligible, you must submit an application providing certain information needed by the Hawaii Department of Health to evaluate your proposal. If your proposal is appropriate for the VRP, you will be asked to enter into a formal agreement with the Department. This agreement will specify the scope of work, and the roles and responsibilities of each party to the agreement.

Once an agreement is reached, the clean up work will be performed as specified and HDOH will assure the work is performed properly. When the work is completed, you will receive an official "letter of completion" for the specific area and contaminants addressed. This letter will certify that the site has been properly cleaned up and, potentially, provide a large measure of relief from future liability.

### What Fees Are Associated with the Program?

Participants must reimburse the State of Hawaii for the cost of evaluating proposals and overseeing the work as it is performed. The initial application includes a \$1,000 fee. If approved, the land owner must submit \$5,000 to open a site-specific account. As costs are incurred, the owner must submit additional funds in \$5,000 increments. When the work is completed, remaining moneys in the site-specific account will be returned to the land owner.

### How to Receive Additional Information?

If you would like additional information about the program, please contact Davis Bernstein, Program Coordinator, at 808-586-4253.

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## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) Keanae Baseyard Renovations (Supplemental)

**District:** Hana  
**TMK:** 1-1-02:por. 09 and 10  
**Applicant:** Department of Accounting and General Services  
P.O. Box 119  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96810  
Contact: Eric Nishimoto (586-0468)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Department of Accounting and General Services  
P.O. Box 119  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96810  
Contact: Eric Nishimoto (586-0468)

**Consultant:** Munekiyo, Arakawa & Hiraga, Inc.  
305 High Street, Suite 104  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793  
Contact: Michael Munekiyo (244-2015)

#### Public Comment

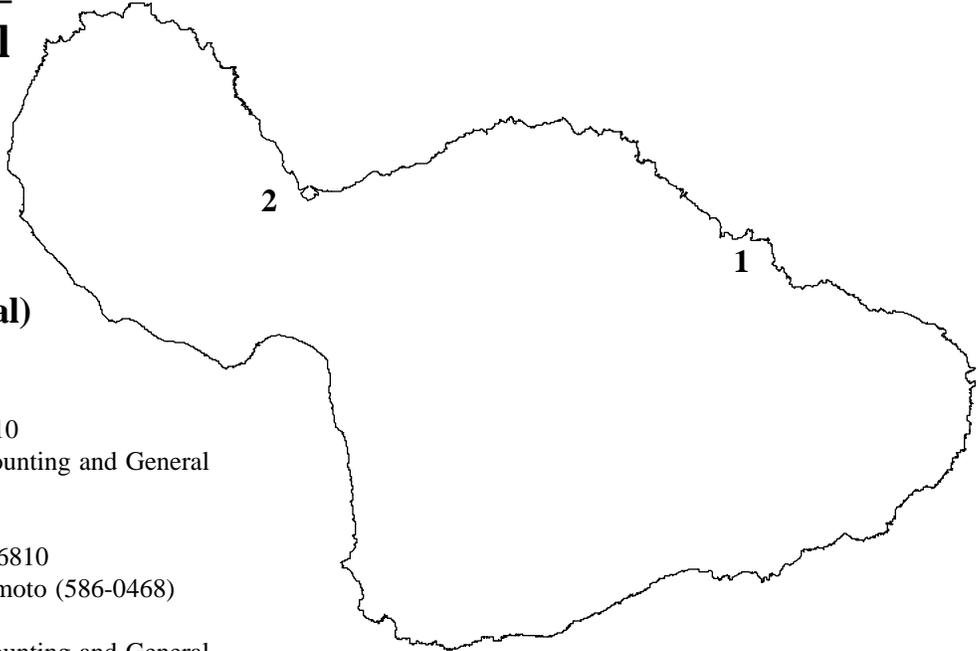
**Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

#### Permits

**Required:** LUC Special Use permit, SMA, grading, building

The State Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) is proposing to modify the drainage system improvements that were originally proposed in connection with the redevelopment of the existing State Highways Division baseyard in Keanae, Maui, Hawaii.

The Keanae Baseyard occupies an area of approximately 3.1 acres and is identified by TMK 1-1-02: 10. A Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Keanae Baseyard Renovation project was published in the April 8, 1997 edition of the Environmental Notice. The scope of the renovation project encompassed the demolition of the baseyard's existing,



deteriorated facilities and the construction of a new truck/storage shed, a new office building, and new above-ground fuel storage tanks and dispensers, as well as drainage system and ancillary improvements.

The proposed drainage system modifications are anticipated to further improve existing drainage conditions in the area, including minimizing the effects of offsite runoff from the adjoining Hana Highway. The proposed drainage system improvements will involve the construction of a new drainline, inlets, and a headwall located on an adjoining State-owned parcel (TMK: 1-1-02: 09) which is occupied by the YMCA's Camp Keanae. Due to these modifications, the drainline along Keanae Homestead Road and the location of a headwall situated on a State-owned parcel makai of the Homestead Road that were originally proposed for the project have now been eliminated and will not be implemented.

With the exception of the proposed drainage system modifications, no other changes to the scope of the project are proposed.



## (2) Waiehu Kou Phase 2 Native Hawaiian Housing

**District:** Wailuku  
**TMK:** 3-1-13:09  
**Applicant:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
P.O. Box 1879  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96805  
Contact: Darrell Ing (586-3844)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
P.O. Box 1879  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96805  
Contact: Darrell Ing (586-3844)

**Consultant:** Townscape, Inc.  
900 Fort Street Mall, Suite 800  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Joanne Hiramatsu (536-6999)

**Public Comment**  
**Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits Required:** Subdivision, grading, building, NPDES

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) is planning to develop approximately 100 single family units for the purpose of providing houses for native Hawaiian beneficiaries. Residential lot sizes will average approximately 7,500 square feet with a minimum lot size of 6,000 square feet. A two-acre park and a two-acre site for a future commercial development with approximately 20,000 square feet of retail commercial space will also be part of this project. Infrastructure and utilities will be constructed to service the development. The project is identified as Waiehu Kou Phase 2, TMK: (2) 3-2-13:01, and contains 35.33 acres.

The site is located on the northern side of the Island of Maui, approximately 2.5 miles northeast of Wailuku and 3 miles northwest of Kahului. Waiehu Municipal Golf Course is located adjacent to and makai of the parcel and the Leisure Estates Subdivision (also known as Ocean View Estates) is located adjacent to and south of the property. Access to the site is off of Kahekili Highway.

The site does not contain important natural or cultural resources of significance. Thus, no significant adverse environmental impacts are anticipated. Adverse social or economic impacts are also not expected from the construction of this project. This project implements the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, 42 Stat.108, as amended, by developing house and lot packages for the purpose of distributing homestead leases and providing needed housing for native Hawaiians.

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### Keanae Restoration of Lo'i Kalo and Taro Cultivation Project

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

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

**Public Comment**  
**Deadline:** February 23, 1998

#### Puunene MEO Transportation Facility

**Applicant:** Maui Economic Opportunity  
189 Kaahumanu Ave.  
Kahului, Hawaii 96732  
Contact: Don Medeiros (877-7691)

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

**Public Comment**  
**Deadline:** February 23, 1998

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## Final Environmental Impact Statements

### ☛ Kahului Airport Improvements

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

### Approving Agency/Accepting

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

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

# Federal Notices

## Federal Property Suitable as Facilities to Assist the Homeless

The Department of Housing and Urban Development identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless. In Hawaii:

Bldg. 79E Ford Island, Naval Station

Pearl Harbor Co: Honolulu 96860

Landholding Agency: Navy

Property Number: 779810016

Status: Excess

Comment: 54,720 sq. ft., 2 floors, possible lead paint/PCB, most recent use—storage, off-site use only

Bldg. 79W Ford Island, Naval Station

Pearl Harbor Co: Honolulu 96860

Landholding Agency: Navy

Property Number: 779810017

Status: Excess

Comment: 47,385 sq. ft., needs rehab, possible lead paint/PCB, most recent use—storage, off-site use only

Properties listed as suitable/available will be available exclusively for homeless use for a period of 60 days from the date of this Notice (January 15, 1998). Homeless assistance providers interested in any such property should send a written expression of interest to HHS, addressed to Brian Rooney, Division of Property Management, Program Support Center, HHS, room 5B-41, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857; (301) 443-2265. (This is not a toll-free number.)

For properties listed as suitable/to be excess, that property may, if subsequently accepted as excess by GSA, be

made available for use by the homeless in accordance with applicable law, subject to screening for other Federal use. At the appropriate time, HUD will publish the property in a Notice showing it as either suitable/available or suitable/unavailable.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Johnston, room 7256, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1226; TDD number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565 (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1-800-927-7588.

[Federal Register: January 23, 1998 (Volume 63, Number 15)]

## Army's "Ecosystem Management Program Bulletin" Now Available on the Internet

The U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii has a new web page for their Ecosystem Management Program Bulletin as well as other information about their conservation program (<http://angelfire.com/hi/ecosystem>). If you have access to the internet and no longer need to receive the Bulletin in the U.S. mail, please e-mail Alvin Char at [chara@schofield-emh1.army.mil](mailto:chara@schofield-emh1.army.mil) or call 656-2878 ext. 1062 or send a FAX to 656-1039. Anybody can launch a web page. The trick is getting people to visit the site. So please help advertise this web page by sharing the address with your friends and colleagues.

## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) Department of Water Supply District Office

**District:** South Kohala  
**TMK:** 6-5-07:08  
**Applicant:** County of Hawaii  
Department of Water Supply  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Kenneth Ikemori (961-3723)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** County of Hawaii  
Department of Water Supply  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Kenneth Ikemori (961-3723)

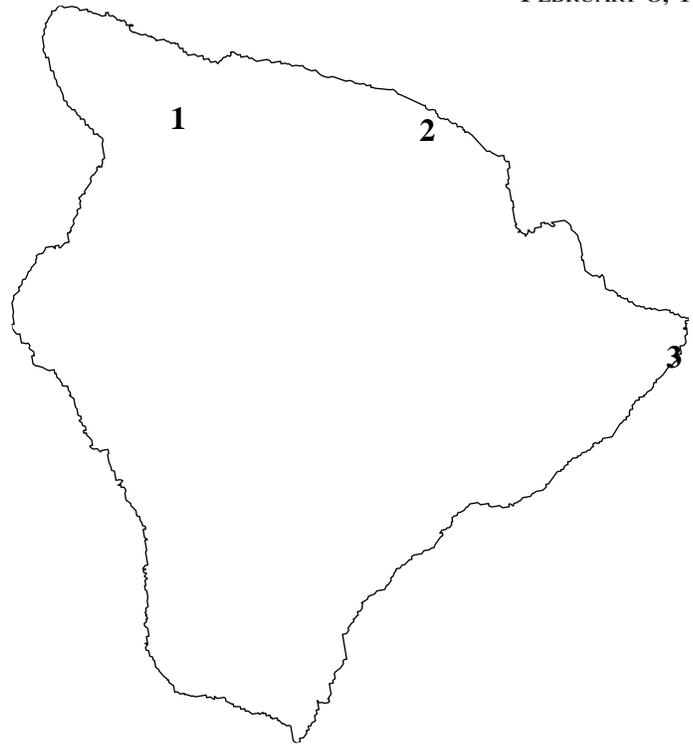
**Consultant:** Sidney Fuke (969-1522)  
100 Pauahi Street, Suite 212  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

**Public Comment Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.  
**Permits Required:** Building, grading, underground injection control & wastewater permits

The County of Hawaii Department of Water Supply is proposing to construct a new district office and maintenance facility and related improvements on a 2.296 acre parcel. The proposed facility is to be located on the site of the Department's existing office and maintenance facility on the northeast corner of Kawaihae Road (Highway 19) and Opelo Road in Waimea, Hawaii. This site was former State land that was transferred to the County Board of Water Supply through an Executive Order on April 16, 1975.

The existing facility is too small to accommodate the needs of the office. It will be retained and used for storage and other purposes.

The proposed single-story 4,000 square foot structure would have spaces for offices, a meeting room, a computer



room, and storage. There would be a facade in the front of the structure to typify the "paniolo" flavor of Waimea. Extensive landscaping within and surrounding the site will be implemented. There would also be 24 paved parking stalls, one of which will be a handicapped stall.

Also being proposed is a 300± square foot shed for an above ground gasoline tanks to service the Department's vehicles. This would be adjacent and mauka of the proposed office building.

There are commercial uses surrounding three sides of the site. There are residences on the mauka end of the site. The proposed structures would be sited more than 250 feet from that property line, however.



### (2) Hamakua Forest Stewardship Project

**District:** Hamakua  
**TMK:** 4-13-014-006  
**Applicant:** H & G Koa Enterprises  
P.O. Box 182  
Pahoa, Hawaii 96778  
Contact: Gwendolyn Hill (966-4968)

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## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Forestry and Wildlife  
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Nelson Ayers (587-4175)

**Consultant:** CAM Resource Management  
P.O. Box 11441  
Hilo, Hawaii 96721  
Contact: Courtney Murrill (981-0253)

## Public Comment

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998

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

## Permits

### Required:

H & G Koa Enterprises intends to establish a 10-acre Acacia koa plantation just mauka of the town of Paauilo on the Hamakua Coast of the Big Island. Project objectives are to produce a genetically superior stand of Acacia koa timber; to create a genetically superior source of seeds for lower elevation Acacia koa; and to develop silvicultural techniques to increase the growth rates and overall quality of koa timber.

The project site was most recently used as a pasture, and is in a state of vegetative decline. The site will first be fenced along presently unprotected borders to exclude grazing animals. Site preparation for planting will include weed control, using cattle and limited herbicide applications; rip and fill of planting lines along natural elevation contours and the addition of soil amendments along planting lines. Young koa seedlings from superior genetic stock will be planted at close spacings to encourage straight growth and clear stems. Weeds will be controlled and the seedlings will be periodically fertilized for four years following planting.

Trees will be harvested after they reach a minimum diameter at breast height (dbh) of 25 inches or when they are approximately 25 years old. The harvested timber will be inspected and sold to local markets. H & G Koa enterprises will be working with the Hawaii Agricultural Research Center (HARC) to closely monitor and record the results of this project.



## (3) Puna Beachfront Park Replacement

**District:** Puna

**TMK:** 1-3-08:16 & 33, 1-4-02:08

**Applicant:** County of Hawaii  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: George Yoshida (961-8311)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** County of Hawaii  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: George Yoshida (961-8311)

**Consultant:** Ron Terry, Ph.D. (982-5831)  
HCR 9575  
Keaau, Hawaii 96749

## Public Comment

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998

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

## Permits

**Required:** SMA

The proposed action would have the County of Hawaii acquire 22 acres (mostly abandoned papaya fields) in order to expand the Isaac Hale Beach Park in Pohoiki. Several years of public planning have culminated in a design reflecting community needs and the site's constraints and opportunities. The purpose of the expansion is to support and provide parking for the following activities: ocean swimming, surfing, picnicking, group meetings and parties, sunbathing, snorkeling, spear fishing, net fishing, boat fishing, and volleyball and other lawn activities. Improvements would include a fenced parking lot for boat trailers, a separate public parking lot, a pavilion, restrooms, and a new road circulation system to divert traffic around the park and calm traffic within the park. Current land uses near the shoreline including parking and portable toilets would be directed away from the shoreline to more appropriate inland locations. Water lines already extend to the park; a solar unit will provide electrical power.

The EA is a joint federal/state document. In compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency's implementing regulations (44 CFR Part 9), a public notice that further describes the reasons for siting facilities in the floodplain is also available for review at the Hilo and Paho Public Libraries.

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### ► Ka'awaloa Orchards Agricultural Project District

**Applicant:** Seamount Enterprises, LLC  
dba Ka'awaloa Orchards  
845 Bellevue Place East, Suite 308  
Seattle, Washington 98102

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

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

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** February 23, 1998

### Final Environmental Impact Statements

#### ► Waimea-Paauilo Watershed

**Applicant:** Department of Agriculture  
P.O. Box 22159  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96823-2159  
Contact: Paul Matsuo (973-9473)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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

### Reminder:

#### Draft EA Submissions to OEQC

If you haven't submitted a draft EA to OEQC recently but plan on doing so in the near future, keep in mind the following:

1. A new administrative rule (as of 8-31-96) requires the applicant to place a copy of the draft EA in the public library closest to the project site. This allows citizens who live near a proposed project to be able to read the draft EA and comment if they wish. The library copy, therefore, should be placed on reserve so that no one can monopolize it by taking it home.
2. All draft EAs must include an analysis of impacts according to chapter 343's *significance criteria*. As of 8-31-96 two new criteria were added and one amended. Call OEQC at 586-4185 for details.
3. What permits will the project need? We now list required permits and approvals along with the project description in each *Environmental Notice*. Please include this information on your Bulletin Publication form.
4. Be sure the agency cover letter that accompanies a submission lists the *anticipated determination*. This letter is a legal document because the notification of anticipated determination is required by law.



# Kauai Notices

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## Draft Environmental Assessments

### (1) Port Allen Airport Improvements

**District:** Waimea  
**TMK:** 1-8-08:4, 33, 80, 83, 85  
**Applicant:** Department of Transportation  
Airports Division  
400 Rodgers Boulevard, Suite 700  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819-1880  
Contact: Lynn Becones (838-8811)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Transportation  
Airports Division  
400 Rodgers Boulevard, Suite 700  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819-1880  
Contact: Lynn Becones (838-8811)

**Consultant:** Edward K. Noda & Associates, Inc.  
615 Piikoi Street, Suite 300  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814  
Contact: James Dittmar (591-8553 x 201)

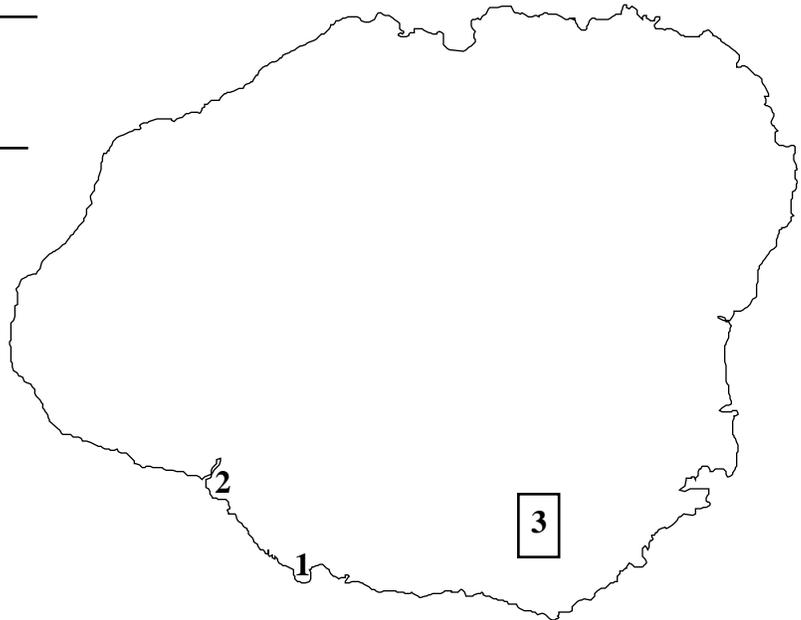
#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits Required:** SMA, airport layout plan, grading & building

The State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, proposes improvements to Port Allen Airport which include:

- Construction of four (4) lease lots (4,500 sq. ft. each) for hangars and accompanying aprons (3,900 sq. ft. each) for helicopter operations, with an associated paved access roadway.
- Two (2) fixed wing tie-down areas (3,600 sq. ft.) with an associated taxilane.
- Public comfort station and DOTA maintenance shed, 1200 sq. ft.
- Public (20 spaces) and employee (2 spaces) parking.



- Runway lights for emergency use.
- Associated infrastructure improvements for water, waste water, electricity and telecommunications, and associated roadways.
- Landscaping for beautification and dust control.

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

### (2) Ceatech Hawaii Marine Shrimp Farm

**District:** Waimea  
**TMK:** 1-2-2:por. 1  
**Applicant:** CEATECH USA  
7 Waterfront Plaza, #400  
500 Ala Moana Boulevard  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Ernie Dias/Paul Bienfang (521-2574)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Land & Natural Resources  
Kauai District Land Office  
3060 Eiwa Street, Room 306  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766  
Contact: Sam Lee/Michael Laureta (274-3491)

**Consultant:** Applied Planning Services  
P.O. Box 1724  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766  
Contact: Roland Sagum (246-0399)

## Public Challenge

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

## Permits

**Required:** Right of Entry; well-drilling; grading; aquaculture; zoning; building; lease, NPDES, archeological mitigation plan; erosion control plan

Applicant proposes to acquire approximately 300 acres of State land to construct and operate a state of the art marine shrimp farm on the west side of the island of Kauai, along the coastal plans of Mana in Kekaha. The site improvements consists of 104 1-acre lined circular ponds for growout, 12 one-half acre lined nursery ponds, interior service roads, utilities, seawater wells, underground plumbing, drainage ditches, and retention basins for waste recovery. Several accessory buildings will be constructed to accommodate supplies, equipment, and personnel.

Each of the one-acre growout ponds will produce approximately 40,000 pounds of shrimp per year from 3 14-week growout cycles. Overlapping cycles of nursery ponds, growout ponds and harvesting schedules allows for the continuous, weekly marketing of product. The company will maintain specific pathogen free shrimp broodstock. These will be used to provide high health, genetically improved shrimp "seed" to stock its shrimp growout operations. Although its principal efforts will be in the growing, processing, and marketing of its shrimp products, excess high health seed form its hatchery may be sold to commercial growers worldwide.

The project will provide substantial economic development and much needed employment within the diversified agriculture sector. The project relies on climatic and technological features where Hawaii has comparative advantage over other locales. The project takes advantage of an extensive, USDA supported R & D program which developed and verified advanced shrimp farming technologies for profitable and sustainable farming in the U.S.

This aquafarming effort takes advantage of the availability of land, labor, isolation, and warm climate to produce large amounts of a high value commodity traditionally associated with terrestrial activities, while retaining the rural character of the community. It will compliment and augment current farming in the area, and holds the potential to expand in importance in the future, and provide additional economic stimulus through a primary industry based on existing resources.



## (3) Koloa Forest Stewardship Project

**District:** Koloa  
**TMK:** 2-8-01:3, 4, 5; 2-7-01:1, 2, 4, 5; 2-9-02:1; 3-4-05:3; and 3-4-01:2

**Applicant:** Hawaiian Mahogany Company, Inc.  
P.O. Box 649  
Lawai, Hawaii 96765  
Contact: Bill Cowern (639-9190)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Forestry and Wildlife  
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Nelson Ayers (587-4175)

## Public Challenge

**Deadline:** March 10, 1998  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Hawaiian Mahogany Company, Inc., is seeking assistance from the Hawaii State Forest Stewardship Program to establish 800 acres of plantation forest on former sugarcane land in the Koloa area of Kauai to produce high-quality timber for local industry consumption.

Tree seedling plantings will take place in four yearly increments of 200 acres each. Approximately 680 acres of the area will be planted with a mix of Eucalyptus deglupta and Eucalyptus microcorys, both high-value hardwoods with rapid growth rates, a variety of processing possibilities, and proven Pacific-region markets. The remaining 120 acres will be planted with longer-rotation timber species including low-elevation koa, mahogany, Brazilian rosewood, Queensland maple and silk Oak. Nitrogen-fixing trees and ground-covers will be interplanted with crop trees to control weeds and provide organic fertilizer, substantially reducing the need for inorganic chemical applications.

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The State Forest Stewardship Committee recommends funding for this project primarily because of its innovative and environmentally sound forest management strategies and because of its potential to produce local and statewide economic benefits. If successful, the project will greatly contribute to the development of Hawaii's forest industry by generating timber products for local, value-added processing and jobs. As a new company made up entirely of local investors, Hawaii Mahogany will also serve as an example to others in Hawaii, who may be considering forestry as an alternative land-use.

## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### ● Hanapepe Well Development, Transmission, and Appurtenances

**Applicant:** County of Kauai, Department of Water  
P.O. Box 1706  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766-5706  
Contact: Gregg Fujikawa (245-5416)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** February 23, 1998



# Shoreline Notices

## Shoreline Certifications and Rejections

Pursuant to §13-222-26, HAR the following shorelines have been certified or rejected by the DLNR. A person may appeal a certification or rejection to the BLNR, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, HI 96813, by requesting in writing a contested case hearing no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the date of public notice of certification or rejection.

Case No.	Date Cert/Rej	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
HA-070	Certified 01/29/98	Por. of Lot 1, being a Por. of RP 7843, LCAw 7715, Ap. 10 to Lota Kamehameha, Kaupulehu, N. Kona Hawaii	R.M. Towill, Corporation	7-2-03:01

# Pollution Control Permits

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## Department of Health Permits

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

Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Covered Source Permit	City and County of Honolulu, # 0216-01-C	1350 Sand Island Parkway, Honolulu, Oahu	Issued: 1/20/98	Sand Island Wastewater Treatment Plant
CAB, Covered Source Permit	City and County of Honolulu, # 0215-01-C	91-1501 Geiger Road, Ewa Beach, Oahu	Issued: 1/20/98	Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant
CAB, Covered Source Permit	U.S. Navy, Pacific Missile Range Facility, # 0110-01-C	PMRF Barking Sands, Kauai	Issued: 1/28/98	Five Diesel Engine Generators
CAB, Covered Source Permit	U.S. Navy, Public Works Center, # 0113-01-C	Waiawa Water Pumping Station, Waipahu, Oahu	Issued: 1/28/98	2.0 MW Combustion Turbine
CAB, Covered Source Permit	U.S. Navy, Public Works Center, # 0114-01-C	Barbers Point Naval Air Station, Oahu	Issued: 1/28/98	2.0 MW Combustion Turbine
CAB, Covered Source Permit	U.S. Navy, Public Works Center, # 0104-01a-C	PWC Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, Oahu	Comments Due: 3/5/98	Three 250 HP Boilers
CAB, Covered Source Permit	U.S. Navy, NAVSTA, # 0104-01b-C	NAVSTA Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, Oahu	Comments Due: 3/5/98	650 KW Diesel Engine Generator
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Maui Electric Company, Ltd., # 0067-01-C	Maalaea Generating Station, Maalaea, Maui	Comments Due: 3/5/98	Fifteen Diesel Engines and Two Combustion Turbines
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Kalaeloa Partners, L.P., # 0214-01-C	99-111 Kalaeloa Boulevard, Kapolei, Oahu	Issued: 1/23/98	Cogeneration Power Plant
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Grace Pacific Corporation, # 0040-01-CT (amendment)	Various Locations Initial Location: Camp 10, Ameron Quarry, Puunene	Permit Amended: 1/30/98	Replacement of 600 KW Diesel Engine with 800 KW Diesel Engine Generator
Clean Water Branch, 586-4309, Water Quality Certification	Department of Hawaiian Homelands, # 98-CW-WQC-1	Residential Lots, Unit 1, Kula, Maui	Comments Due: 2/22/98	Construct Proposed Waterline and Culvert Crossings

