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Maui 20 MW Windfarm DEIS

Zond Pacific, Inc. has prepared an EIS for its proposed 20 MW windfarm project at Kaheawa Pastures in the Ukumehame Conservation District on Maui. The project consists of 27 wind turbines (each having a 3-bladed rotor with a diameter of 157 feet, and capable of producing 750 kW) installed on 164 feet towers on the gently sloping portion of Kaheawa Pastures between Manawainui and Papalua gulches. A draft EA was originally prepared in April 1998 for this

project and 21 comment letters were received. The Department of Land and Natural Resources then determined that a full EIS was needed. Unresolved issues include: potential impact on avifauna; potential impacts on terrestrial flora; and, potential impact on visual resources. Copies of the draft EIS are available for review at the Kihei Public Library, the Maui Community College Library and at all regional libraries in the State. See page 8 for details.

New Historic Preservation Rules

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has issued new rules (36 CFR Part 800) which replace its previous rules in order to implement the 1992 amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). The rules define and strengthen native American roles and require federal agencies to make reasonable and good faith efforts to identify Native Hawaiian organizations that might attach religious and cultural significance to historic properties. Section 800.11(c) is intended to protect the rights of private property owners with regard to proprietary information, and Native Hawaiian organizations with regard to properties to which they attach religious and cultural significance. The section also emphasizes that the regulations are subject to any other federal statutes which protect certain kinds of information from full public disclosure. A section of the rule also streamlines the NHPA section 106 process with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). It emphasizes that impacts on historic properties should be considered when an agency makes evaluations of its NEPA obligations, but makes clear that an adverse effect finding does not automatically trigger preparation of a federal EIS.

The proposed changes will complement the State process which currently uses non-mandatory cultural impact assessment guidelines, especially for joint state/federal documents. For more information, see page 19. OEQC also has a copy of the rule in a PDF file.

Pua'ena Camp FEIS

OEQC received the final EIS for the Pua'ena Campground. The original project called for 252 tents and many accessory facilities on 144 acres stretched along the coast in Haleiwa. Whether to consider it a camp or a resort was a serious issue in terms of compatibility with the underlying Ag-2 zoning. In response to the volume of public concern expressed about this and other issues, the applicant, Maho Bay Camps, reduced the scale of the Camp to 72 tents and eliminated the following accessories: one cafeteria, two sundry stores, 4 pavilions, 1 manager - caretaker's residence, a child care center and a swimming pool. Parking has been reduced from 400 to 145, with 40 spaces for the public.

The FEIS is currently under review by the Department of Planning & Permitting. See page 5 for more information.

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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Kaneohe Bay Sewers Improvement District Project

District: Koolaupoko
TMK: 4-4-7 and 4-4-21
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design & Construction
650 South King Street, 2nd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Tina Ono (523-4067)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Masa Fujioka & Associates
99-1205 Halawa Valley Street, Suite 302
Aiea, Hawaii 96701
Contact: Janice Marsters (484-5366)

Public Comment

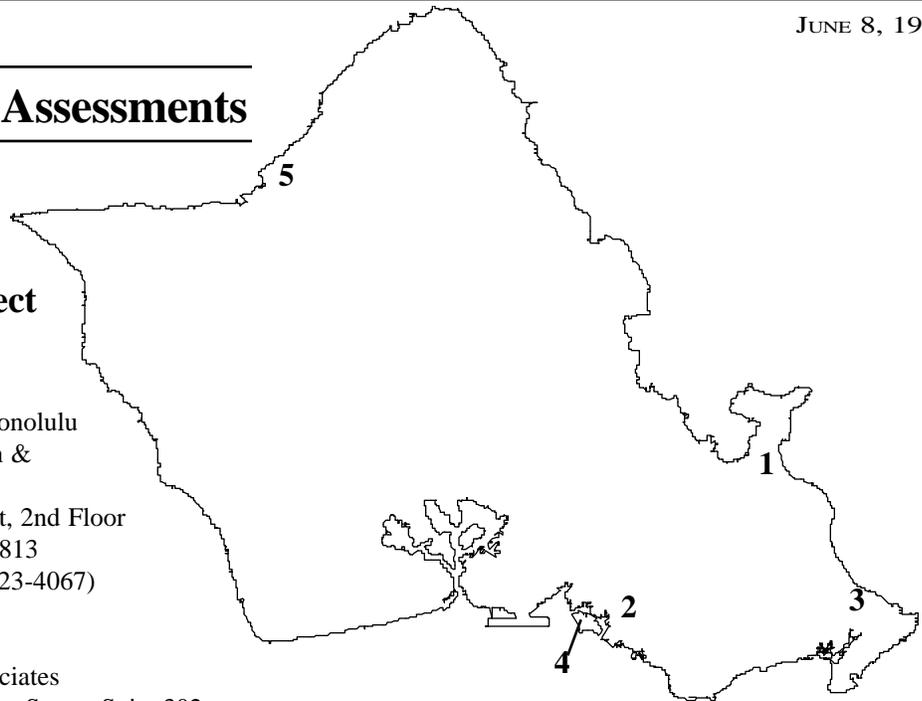
Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: SSV, NPDES

The City & County of Honolulu, Department of Design and Construction proposes to provide sewer service to the Malae area of Kaneohe Bay through the Kaneohe Bay Sewers, Improvement District project. The project will expand the existing City sewer system to include 69 properties which are currently utilizing private, individual wastewater disposal systems such as cesspools and septic tanks. A signature petition received by the former Department of Wastewater Management in July 1997 indicated that many of the area residents are in favor of the project since it will provide a solution to many chronic sanitation problems. In addition, the project will provide an overall environmental benefit by decreasing the degradation of coastal waters and aquifers attributable to individual wastewater disposal systems.

The project will involve the installation of approximately 4,500 feet of 6-inch and 8-inch gravity sewer lines at depths ranging from 5 to 25 feet deep. The sewer lines will be installed by trenching, along the Kaneohe Bay shoreline primarily within sewer easements located in private properties. A 4-inch relief force main will be installed in the same



trench as the proposed gravity lines south of the wastewater pump station.

Since the project will be partially constructed within the Shoreline Setback Area (SSA), a Shoreline Setback Variance will be required for the construction. In addition, use within the SSA triggers the requirement for an Environmental Assessment under Subchapter 10, Department of Health, Chapter 200 of Title 11, Hawaii Administrative Rules and Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes.



(2) Kuhio Park Terrace Community Resource Center

District: Honolulu
TMK: 3-39:01
Applicant: Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii
677 Queen Street, Room 300
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Christine Kinimaka (587-0561)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with a copy to OEQC.

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Permits

Required: Building, conditional use

The Kuhio Park Terrace Community Resource Project will be located within the Kuhio Park Terrace/Kuhio Homes (KPT/KH) community complex. It will occupy approximately 5.74 acres of the 22-acre now occupied by the Kuhio Park Terrace /Kuhio Homes complex. The buildings will be situated between the two high-rise towers.

The project will be a one-stop multi-purpose community center for the residents of KPT, KH, nearby public housing residents, and Kalihi residents. It will consist of the following: New Community Center building; Existing Family Education Center building; Existing Recreation Center (Teen Center); Two New Baseball and Softball Fields; New Pavilion (Samoan Fale); and New Community Garden and Picnic Area.

The project is intended to increase the economic self-sufficiency of the residents by providing the resources and training to increase their employment potential and decrease their welfare dependency. It is the intent of KPT/KH community resource center project to attract service providers who will offer vocational training programs. The commercial kitchen can serve as training place for employment. A proposed day care center, to be operated by the residents, will serve parents who are transitioning from welfare to work. Service providers who can offer respite childcare for children with special needs are being solicited. The resource center can also be used as an incubator for micro-enterprise.

The projected cost of the project is \$10,000,000 (\$2,000,000 for planning, design and site work from HUD; \$8,000,000 from Dept. of Labor for construction.) The construction is projected to start in October 2000 and completion by June 2001. It is also projected that all service providers will be in full operation by December 2001.

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(3) Bellows AFS Regional Training Institute Complex

District: Koolaupoko
TMK: 4-1-15:1 (por.)

Applicant: Department of Defense
Hawaii Army National Guard
3949 Diamond Head Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816-4495
Contact: LTC Ron Swafford, Capt. Charles Anthony (733-4214/733-4258)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Challenge

Deadline: July 8, 1999

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Permits

Required: CZM, NPDES, SHPO, FWS

The Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG) proposes to construct a new Regional Training Institute (RTI) for the 298th Regiment on 48 acres of unused land at Bellows Air Force Station (BAFS). The current RTI lies on a 170-acre parcel that was previously property of the Hawaiian Republic. By law, the Air Force must return this 170-acre parcel to the State of Hawaii, forcing the HIARNG to vacate the existing facility. To replace the old RTI, the HIARNG proposes to construct a new complex in the former Communications area at BAFS. The proposed RTI would accommodate 1200 people per year, the same number as the existing complex. The proposed action consists of three phases. The first phase includes an administrative and education facility, access road, sidewalk, and parking lot. The second phase would include billets, a multi-purpose building, and fitness area. The final phase would provide additional recreational facilities.



(4) Sand Island WWTP Interim Chemical Treatment Facility

District: Honolulu
TMK: 1-5-41:por. 5
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Kumar Bhagavan (527-5158)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Consultant: R.M. Towill Corporation
420 Waiakamilo Road, Suite 411
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
Contact: Chester Koga (842-1133)

Public Challenge

Deadline: July 8, 1999

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Permits

Required: SMA

The City and County of Honolulu, Department of Design and Construction, plans to modify the Sand Island WWTP's Interim Chemical Treatment Facility (ICTF) to optimize treatment efficiencies and reduce operation and maintenance costs at the plant by retrofitting and upgrading existing equipment and constructing a polymer storage facility. The primary purpose of this project is to comply with the conditions of a consent decree entered on November 19, 1991. The consent decree required various actions and studies, and the formation of the Mamala Bay Study Commission (MBSC).

The existing Interim Chemical Treatment Facility (ICTF) was constructed in 1994 to enhance treatment efficiencies and comply with the NPDES discharge permit. The City performed full-plant tests in 1994 and again in 1995. These tests were successful in increasing treatment efficiencies. However, after observing these tests and analyzing the test results, the MBSC concluded that modifications were required to fully optimize treatment and reduce cost. Construction cost of the modifications is estimated to be near \$850,000. The following modifications are designed to improve biochemical oxygen demand removal efficiency (above 30 percent) and reduce operations and maintenance costs: Improve chemical dilution to reduce chemical consumption; Improve chemical aging to reduce chemical consumption; Improve existing chemical feed diffusers to reduce chemical consumption; and Improve storage and handling of raw (neat) polymer to reduce labor man-hour.

A special management area permit will be sought for this project.

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(5) Pua'ena Campgrounds

District: Waialua
TMK: 6-1-004:023, 058; 6-2-001:001, 010
Applicant: Campers Villages, LLC
c/o Maho Bay Camps, Inc.
17A East 73rd Street
New York, New York 10021
Contact: Stanley Selengut (212-472-9453)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Sharon Nishiura (527-5028)

Consultant: Helber Hastert & Fee, Planners
733 Bishop Street, Suite 2590
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Scott Ezer (545-2055)

Status: FEIS currently being reviewed by the Department of Planning and Permitting, City and County of Honolulu.

The 144.5-acre project site is located on the shoreline in Haleiwa. It is bounded on the south by Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa Beach Park on the west and a 35-lot residential subdivision to the east. Ingress/egress to the camp will be from Kamehameha Highway, where an existing gate and roadway now serve the site. Except for a caretaker's cottage and bathhouse in the central portion of the property, the project site is undeveloped.

Originally, the applicant proposed 252 tent structures scattered throughout the project site and accessory facilities. The accessory facilities included two cafeterias, two sundry stores, six pavilions, child care center, administration building, three manager/caretaker's residences, multi-purpose center, two swimming pools, play courts and jogging paths. The applicant also proposed to provide approximately 400 off-street parking spaces.

In response to community and agency comments, the applicant has reduced the scale of the project. The applicant now proposes 72 tents clustered toward the central portion of the site. Other accessory facilities include a cafeteria, administration building, two manager/caretaker's residences, two pavilions, maintenance building/wastewater treatment plant, multi-purpose center, swimming pool and jogging paths. Approximately 145 off-street parking spaces are also proposed, including 20 spaces for public parking. An additional 20-space public parking lot is proposed at the end of Kahalewai Place, adjacent to Haleiwa Beach Park.

Tents will consist of a steel-frame structure, screening, recycled plastic/wood decking and a skin of vinyl fabric. Each tent will be 256 square feet in floor area and will be equipped with an ice chest and bathroom. Each unit will be able to accommodate up to three adults or two adults and two children.

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Five development alternatives and a no-action alternative were considered in place of the proposed facility. A previous alternative consisting of 195 tents was eliminated.

The project is within the Special Management Area and the AG-2 General Agricultural District. The applicant is seeking a Special Management Area Use Permit and a Conditional Use Permit - minor.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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📍 Aiea New Public Library

Applicant: Department of Accounting and General Services
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 430
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Ralph Morita (586-0486)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Public Comment Deadline: June 22, 1999

📍 AT&T Cable Project (Makaha to Keawaula)

Applicant: AT&T
1431 N. Market Blvd., Suite 9
Sacramento, CA 95834-1942
Contact: Kevin Lorenzini (916-928-0944)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Department of Transportation
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5097
Contact: Michael Amuro (692-7332)

Public Comment Deadline: June 22, 1999

📍 Kainui Drive Trunk Sewer Reconstruction

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Carl Arakaki (523-4671)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Public Comment Deadline: June 22, 1999

📍 Mauna Lahilahi Cultural Garden

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street, 9th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Don Griffin (527-6324)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Public Comment Deadline: June 22, 1999

📍 St. Rita Catholic Church Parking Lot

Applicant: St. Rita Catholic Church
89-318 Farrington Highway
Nanakuli, Hawaii 96792

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Steve Tagawa (523-4817)

Public Comment Deadline: Extended to July 7, 1999



Meeting on the Demolition & Remediation Work at the Former Kapalama Incinerator Site.

The Hawaii Department of Health invites you to a meeting to discuss the demolition and remediation work scheduled to occur at the former Kapalama Incinerator site. The project involves the removal of onsite hazardous materials, demolition of existing structures, and the treatment of soils contaminated with metals, dioxins, and furans.

The purpose of the meeting is to present information and discuss the environmental aspects of the project. The meeting will be held on June 17, 1999 at the Honolulu Community College Cafeteria. At 6:00 p.m. there will be an informal open house discussion. At 7:00 p.m. there will be a short presentation and time for public comments and questions. To receive a fact sheet about the project, or to review project details, call Charley Langer at 586-4249. Written comments will be accepted through July 16, 1999, and should be sent to Charley Langer, DOH/HEER Office, 919 Ala Moana Blvd. #206, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814.

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(1) Kapalua Site 19 Single-Family Residential Project

District: Lahaina
TMK: 4-2-04:por. 24
Applicant: Kapalua Land Company, Ltd.
1000 Kapalua Drive
Lahaina, Hawaii 96761
Contact: Bob McNatt (669-5622)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: County of Maui, Department of Planning
250 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Ann Cua (270-7735)

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

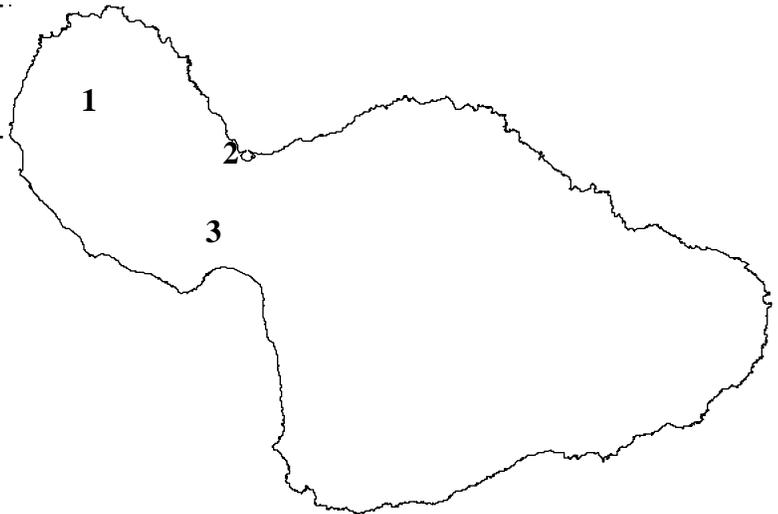
Public Comment Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Community plan amendment, change in zoning, SMA, grading, NPDES

The applicant, Kapalua Land Company, Ltd., proposes to develop a single-family subdivision consisting of 31 homesites in Kapalua, Maui, Hawaii.

The subject property is located within the Kapalua Resort and is currently occupied by a pineapple field. The project site is bordered by an unnamed gulch to the northeast, Honoapiilani Highway to the southeast, a State-owned parcel to the southwest, and the Resort's Bay Golf Course to the northwest. Access to the proposed subdivision will be provided from Honoapiilani Highway by an existing service road.

The applicant proposes to subdivide the subject property into 31 single-family homesites. Lot sizes will range from about 19,000 to 25,000 square feet.



The proposed subdivision improvements include the following: clearing, grubbing, and grading to provide building pads; installation of water, sewer, and utility lines; construction of a subdivision access road and internal roadways; construction of drainage system improvements; and slope and street tree plantings.

The proposed project will be developed in two (2) increments, with the lands that are currently zoned "Project District 1" and "Agricultural" comprising Increment I, and Increment II, respectively. Applications for a Change in Zoning, Project District Phase I and Phase II approvals, and a Community Plan Amendment, will be prepared for the "Agricultural" zoned lands, while an application for Project District Phase II approval will also be prepared for the "Project District 1" zoned lands. An application for a SMA Use Permit will be prepared to address the development of both subdivision increments.

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(2) Waiehu Kou Off-Site Water System Improvements

District: Wailuku
TMK: 3-3-2:por. 1, por. 28

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Applicant: Maui School Development Partnership
1997 E. Main Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Everett Dowling (244-1500)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Maui
Department of Water Supply
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: David Craddick (243-7816)

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

Public Challenge

Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Permits

Required: Building

Maui School Development Partnership proposes to construct a 500,000 gallon water tank in Waiehu, Maui, Hawaii. The site is located approximately 3,000 feet to the north of Puuohala Village within macadamia nut fields. The proposed water tank is adjacent to an existing Department of Water Supply 300,000 gallon Waiehu Heights water tank and wells.

Also included within the scope of the project are waterlines and valve connections to the existing tank and waterlines, as well as fencing around the new tank site.

The State of Hawaii, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and the County of Maui, Department of Water Supply will be participating as funding parties in the project. Because State and County funding will be used for the project, an Environmental Assessment (EA) will be prepared pursuant to Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The existing Waiehu Heights water tank and wells are located on a 1.331 acre parcel (TMK 3-3-2:28). A portion of the proposed water tank is located on TMK 3-3-2:28. Additional land area of approximately 28,080 square feet from TMK 3-3-2:1 is required for the project. The area is intended to be consolidated with TMK 3-3-2:28. The bottom and highwater level of the new tank will be the same as the existing tank, at 347 feet and 362 feet above mean sea level.

The proposed improvements are intended to provide additional storage capacity for the region, in particular for Phases II and III of the Waiehu Kou Subdivision located near the town of Waihee.

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(3) Zond-Pacific 20 MW Windfarm Project

District: Lahaina
TMK: 4-8-01:por. 01
Applicant: Zond-Pacific
485 Waiale Drive
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Keith Avery (244-9389)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Land Division
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Lauren Tanaka (587-0385)

Consultant: WSB Hawaii
46-040 Konane Place, #3816
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744
Contact: Warren Bollmeier (247-7753)

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999
Status: DEIS First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: CDUP, FAA

The purpose of the proposed project is to develop a windfarm in an environmentally-sound manner on Maui and to sell renewable electricity to MECO. The needs of the proposed project are to provide 20 megawatts (MW) of wind generated electricity towards the electrical energy demand of Maui, to support the State's policy to reduce Hawaii's dependence on imported energy sources, and to help protect the State's environment. The proposed site is located on a gently sloping portion of the Kaheawa Pastures, Ukumehame ahupua'a, approximately four miles mauka of McGregor Point.

A thorough study of the potential environmental impacts has been conducted including review of impacts on land use, topography, geology, soils, hydrology and water

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resources, terrestrial flora, fauna, cultural resources, socioeconomics, infrastructure, public services and facilities, air quality and meteorology, noise, EMF, visual resources and community acceptance.

The findings of the EIS consultant are that, overall, the project would not negatively impact the environment. Only one potentially significant impact has been previously identified in the Final EA (FEA). Specifically, avifauna may be significantly impacted by the proposed 20 MW windfarm. There are a number of positive energy, environmental and economic impacts. The positive impacts derive from the avoidance of fossil fuel use and their resulting emissions, and the creation of new jobs and revenues.

The EIS consultant evaluated a number of actions already taken by Zond-Pacific and additional actions planned. Specifically, Zond-Pacific has conducted a number of surveys (botanical, birds and archaeological) and a visual impact analysis in support of the draft EIS. Since the FEA, ZPAC, in consultation with DLNR, will conduct additional surveys to identify the presence of seabirds of concern in the project

area, e.g., the Newell's Shearwater and the Dark-rumped Petrel. These surveys are part of an ongoing effort planned by ZPAC to mitigate risks to all avifauna in the area, but especially the Nene.

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Maui Memorial Medical Center Expansion Improvements

Applicant: Hawaii Health Systems Corporation
3675 Kilauea Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816
Contact: Thomas Driskell, Jr. (733-4032)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: June 22, 1999



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(1) Molokai Airport Master Plan, Phase I Improvements

District: Molokai
TMK: 5-2-04:8, 82, 83, 84 (DOT) and 5-2-04:54, 55, 57, 101, 102, 103 (DHHL)
Applicant: Dept. of Transportation, Airports Division
400 Rodgers Boulevard, Suite 700
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819
Contact: Jerry Matsuda (838-8600)

Approving Agency/Accepting

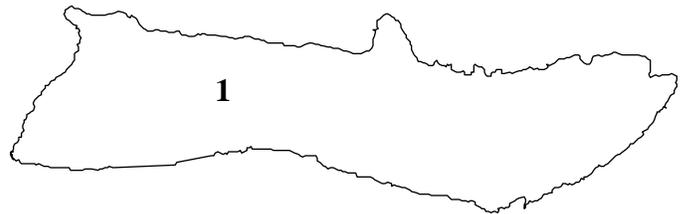
Authority: Same as above.

Consultant: Engineering Concepts, Inc.
1150 South King Street, Suite 700
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814
Contact: Kay Muranaka (591-8820)

Public Challenge

Deadline: July 8, 1999

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.



The State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, Airports Division (DOT-A) is proposing a project which involves the excavation of approximately 360,000 cubic yards of the terrain to the northeast of Runway 5-23. The excavation will eliminate the existing 593 foot displaced threshold on Runway 23 and enable the entire 4,494-foot runway length to be available for aircraft landing and taking off on Runway 5-23 in both directions. The excavation area impacts three Department of Hawaiian Home Lands lots. The DOT-A will negotiate an agreement with the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and their homestead tenants to obtain the affected land.

The intersection of Keonelele Avenue and Mokeulele Avenue and their approach roadway segments are to be reconstructed to lower their pavement elevation. Also, near the end of Runway 23, the drainage system's box culvert is to be extended and the drainage swale alongside Runway 23 is to be realigned further away from the runway.

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(1) East Hawaii Detention Facility

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-4-25:27 and 28
Applicant: County of Hawaii, Police Department
c/o Office of Housing & Community
Development
50 Wailuku Drive
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Royce Shiroma (961-8379)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Sidney Fuke, Planning Consultant
100 Pauahi Street, Suite 212
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Sidney Fuke (969-1522)

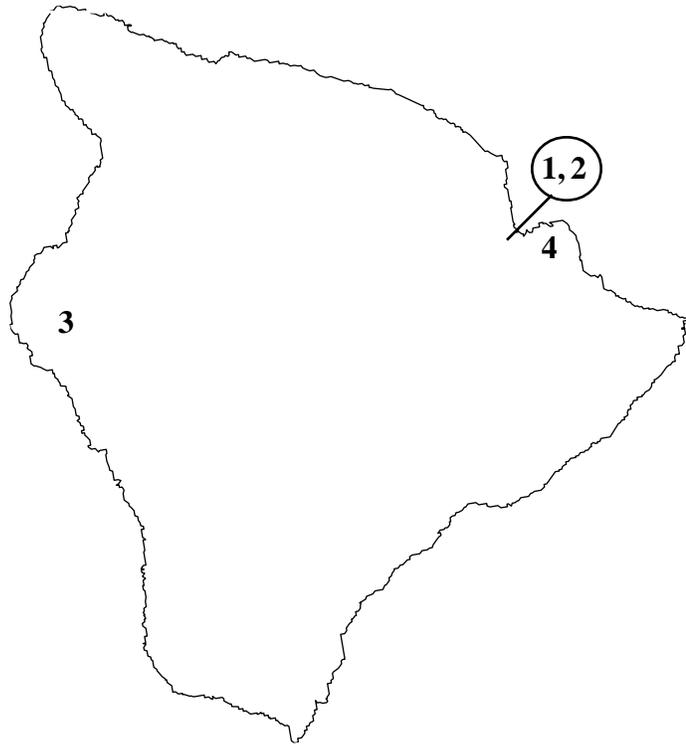
Public Comment

Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with
copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Plan approval, grading, building, lot
consolidation

The County of Hawaii Police Department is proposing to construct a 24-cell, East Hawaii Detention facility. The County-owned 7.9+ acre site is located on a portion of the existing County Public Safety Complex (which houses the Police Department and Office of Civil Defense and identified by TMK: (3) 2-4-25: 27) and an adjoining vacant property (TMK: (3) 2-4-25: 28). The site is bordered by Ululani, Hualalai, and Kapiolani Streets in Hilo, Hawaii.

This facility is intended for the processing and detaining of persons arrested in East Hawaii and waiting to be arraigned by the court. These persons are usually held overnight, except if arrests are made during the weekend, then the detention is 2 or 3 days. The existing 5-cell facility is insufficient and inadequate to segregate detainees by gender (male/female) and age (juvenile/adult). The proposed facility would enable the County to be in compliance with appropriate Federal and State detention requirements.



The proposed 10,000 square foot structure is anticipated to be single-story in height, not exceeding 35 feet. It will be located immediately adjacent to the existing Public Safety Complex in the area of the existing parking lot. As such, approximately 32 parking stalls will be lost; however, a new 79-stall parking area with accesses from Hualalai Street will be provided. Landscaping within the new parking area and the facility is also planned.

The surrounding uses are a mixture of residential and commercial uses. These uses include a church, a K-12 private school, a senior citizens center, and a variety of office complexes.

The approximate cost of this facility is \$3.2 million, of which \$1.8 million has been already funded under the Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The balance is anticipated to come from Federal, State, and/or County sources. Construction is expected to begin in early 2000, with an anticipated 18 month construction period.

No adverse long-term impacts are anticipated, as there are no sensitive biological, historical or hydrological resources on the site. Additional on-site parking will be provided, which can accommodate any lost on-street public stalls resulting from the new driveways.



(2) Kawaiilani Street Improvements

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-4-02:001, 128; 2-4-12:43, 97; 2-4-15:27, 29, 30, 32, 34, 119, 120, 225; 2-4-19:11, 12, 13, 25, 35, 60, 73, 75, 87, 92, 93, 126, 127, 128, 158

Applicant: County of Hawaii
Department of Public Works
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Galen Kuba (961-8327)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Ron Terry, Ph.D. (982-5831)
HC 2 Box 9575
Keaau, Hawaii

Public Comment
Deadline: July 8, 1999
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: CZM consistency determination, NPDES, grading, grubbing, lighting, electrical, subdivision

The project would improve two closely spaced intersections, Iwalani Street and Ainaola Drive, on Kawaiilani Street in Hilo. These streets function as collector roads conducting most of the traffic from Hilo's upland suburb of Waiakea Uka to and from schools, workplaces and shopping areas. Therefore, these roads exhibit high peak hour traffic counts relative to other County roads in Hilo and are often congested during AM and/or PM peak hours. The less than optimal geometry and spacing of these intersections have led to greater than normal accident rates. There are four Build Alternatives for the project, which differ in design and impacts. Depending on the Alternative selected, the project would cost between \$2.12 and \$2.42 million. With necessary approvals, the project would begin construction in early 2000 and would last approximately 1 year. Noise impacts would occur but can be largely mitigated through noise reduction barriers. Air quality would benefit as a result of the improvements. Right-of-way taking would affect adjacent residences, public use structures, and businesses.

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(3) Hina Lani Transmission Line and Reservoir Modifications

District: North Kona
TMK: 7-3-47, 7-3-09:19, 29 and 30
Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 221
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Hiram Young (587-0260)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Public Challenge
Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: NPDES

The proposed project area is located along Hina Lani Street which is approximately two miles north of Kailua-Kona town in the North Kona district on the island of Hawaii.

The main components of the proposed project include installation of 3,200 lineal feet, 24-inch transmission line along the north shoulder of Hina Lani Street between Mamalahoa Highway and Anini Place; installation of two pressure reducing valve (PRV) stations at the 910.5 and 1190 feet elevations which will be referred to herein as PRV Station No. 1 and No. 2, respectively; and retrofitting the valving systems at two existing reservoirs along Hina Lani Street with spillway elevations at 363.67 feet and 650.67 feet

The transmission line will connect the Hawaii County, Department of Water Supply's 12-inch main along Mamalahoa Highway to their 16-inch main along Hina Lani Street. At the two reservoir sites, new level control valves will be installed above ground and electrical controls for a fully automated telemetry system.

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PRV Station No. 2 will be built above ground on a small portion of private land, owned by Y.O., Ltd., where a grant of easement will be obtained. PRV Station No. 1 will be installed in a manhole below ground project alongside the transmission line.

Except for the PRV Station No. 2, all construction work will remain within the paved portion of the street right-of-way and within the existing reservoir sites.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



(4) Hawaii Air National Guard 291st Combat Communications Squadron Short-Term Construction Projects

The 291st Combat Communications Squadron (291 CBCS) of the Hawaii Air National Guard (ANG) is proposing to implement a short-term facilities development program at its installation located at the Keaukaha Military Reservation in Hilo. The ANG is preparing an environmental assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal programs.

Since the ANG's initial establishment at the Keaukaha Military Reservation, facilities development at the installation has occurred in such a manner that individual and collective unit operations are no longer efficient. Existing deficiencies need to be corrected to allow certain mission support activities to be conducted in a manner that meets current environmental standards. Finally, personnel and equipment are frequently exposed to tropical rainstorms; some existing coverings need to be replaced and new coverings need to be installed in areas where none currently exists. In order to improve these inefficiencies, the ANG has proposed construction of new facilities and modification and reuse of certain existing facilities.

Please forward comments to Mr. Carlos Jallo, One East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101, phone (805)962-0992.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

► Kohala Mountains Streamgauge Reconstruction

Applicant: U.S. Geological Survey
677 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 415
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Barry Hill (522-8290)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources,
Land Division
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Tom Eisen (587-0386)

Public Comment

Deadline: June 22, 1999

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices

► Mauna Kea Science Reserve Master Plan

Applicant: University of Hawaii
2444 Dole Street, Bachman Hall
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822
Contact: Allan Ah San (956-7935)

Approving Agency/Accepting

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

Public Comment

Deadline: June 22, 1999



Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Sherwood Single Family Home

District: Hanalei
TMK: 5-9-5-1
Applicant: Karen Sherwood (826-9621)
P.O. Box 3500-201
Princeville, Hawaii 96722

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Ed Henry (587-0380)

Public Comment

Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority and OEQC.

Permits

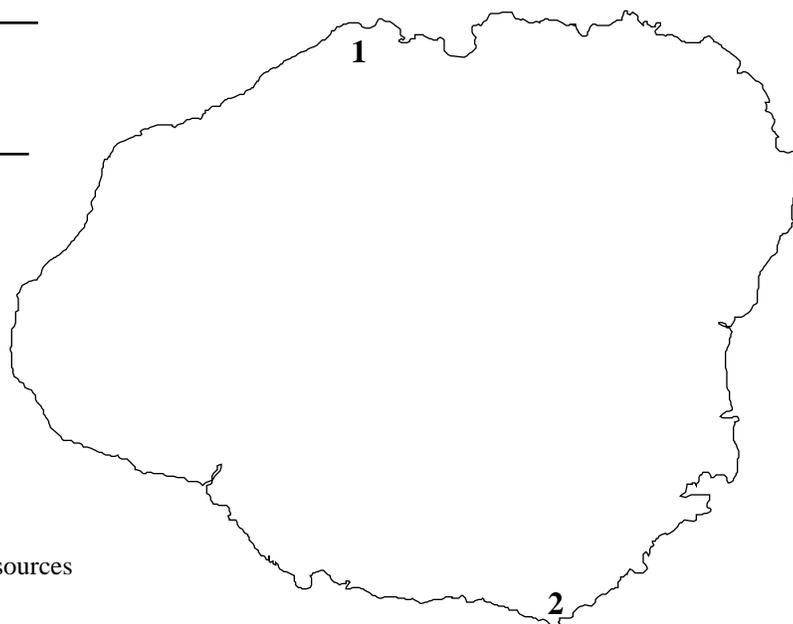
Required: CDUA, building & septic permits

The proposed location for this single family residence is the conservation district in Haena on the North shore of the island of Kauai. The property consists of 3.4 acres of previously cleared pasture land. The proposed location is centered on the property far from the road and other neighbors. It is in the AE flood zone and the resource zone.

The structure will consist of a wood frame home in a plantation style design incorporating a traditional metal roof. It is a single level home with loft on concrete piers consisting of approximately 1,700 sq. ft. living space and approximately 1,500 sq. ft. of lanai. It includes an attached garage connected by covered roofing of 864 sq. ft. The proposed project is scheduled to commence on Oct 1, 1999 and complete March 31, 2000.

We are proposing solar power for this residence. Water and phone lines were run to the property by previous owners and are reflected on the topographical map included with this application.

There are three identified historical sites on the property. The largest, a presumed heiau is located far to the



back on the south west side, out of eyesite of the proposed home site. The other two are also located at far distances from the site. According to Thomas S. Dye, Ph.D. an associate archaeologist for International Archaeological Research Institute, Inc. "...The proposed construction of a single-family dwelling on the recently constructed terraces near the middle of the property will have "no effect" on historic sites."

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(2) Brennecke Beach Shore Protection

District: Koloa
TMK: 2-8-18:20
Applicant: County of Kauai
Department of Public Works
4444 Rice Street, Suite 275
Lihue, Hawaii 96766
Contact: Ken Kitabayashi (241-6622)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.

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Consultant: Oceanit Laboratories, Inc.
1100 Alakea Street, 31st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: David Takeyama (531-3017)

Public Challenge

Deadline: July 8, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Shoreline setback variance, SMA, CZM
Required: consistency, NPDES, COE Sec. 404, 401
WQC, CDUP

The County of Kaua'i Department of Public Works (Public Works) plans to remove an old masonry seawall at the western end of Brennecke Beach on the island of Kaua'i. The masonry seawall was found to negatively impact local sediment transport patterns and impede the recovery of the beach eroded by Hurricane Iniki in 1992. Despite beach nourishment efforts, the beach has continued to erode, threatening to damage the coastal roadway and the low-lying land beyond the road.

Public Works plans to remove the masonry seawall and nourish the beach with clean sand. Removal of the seawall will modify the local sediment distribution characteristics, resulting in a new beach shape. The new beach will provide more sandy area for recreation and enhance the natural recovery of the beach.

In order to protect the coastal road from erosion, a 250-foot-long partially buried revetment is proposed to be constructed in the backshore area adjacent to Hoone Road. Demolition of the seawall and construction of the revetment will involve the use of heavy equipment. Construction-related activities will result in short-term impacts to water quality. Negative impacts will be minimized by utilizing appropriate mitigation measures. The project is anticipated to have net positive impacts on erosion, localized beach processes, social and economic conditions, and recreation.



Conservation District Notices

Departmental Permits

Persons interested in commenting on the following Conservation District Use Application (Departmental Permit) must submit comments to the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Also, anyone interested in receiving notification of determinations on Conservation District Use Applications (Departmental Permits) must submit requests to DLNR that include the following information:

- 1) Name and address of the requestor;
- 2) The departmental permit for which the requestor would like to receive notice of determination; and,
- 3) The date the notice was initially published in the Environmental Notice.

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

Please send comments and requests to:

State of Hawaii
Department of Land and Natural Resources
Land Division
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

While DLNR will make every effort to notify those interested in the subject CDUA, it is not obligated to notify any person not strictly complying with the above requirements. For more information, please contact Ed Henry at 587-0380.



Landscaping

File No.: CDUA OA-2932 (Departmental Permit)
Applicant: Michael D. Parker
Location: Aiea, Oahu
TMK: 9-8-38:01 (por.)
Proposed Action: Landscaping improvements
343, HRS deter: Exempt
Appl. Contact: Mr. Michael D. Parker Ph. 487-1111

Shoreline Notices

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Shoreline Certification Applications

Pursuant to § 13 -222-12, HAR the following shoreline certification applications are available for inspection at the DLNR District Land Offices on Kauai, Hawaii and Maui and at Room 220, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, Oahu (Tel: 587-0414). All comments shall be submitted in writing to the State Land Surveyor, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 210, Honolulu, HI 96813 and postmarked no later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the public notice of the application.

| Case No. | Date Received | Location | Applicant | Tax Map Key |
|----------|---------------|--|--|----------------|
| OA-538 | 05/17/99 | Lot 51, Ld Ct App609 (Map 1), Mokuleia, Waialua, Oahu (315 Crozier Drive) | R. M. Towill Corporation for Mark Alameida | 6-8-05:14 |
| OA-719 | 05/14/99 | Lots 136 & 166, Ld Ct App 242, Puuloa, Ewa Oahu (91-449 Ewa Beach Road) | Robert Sing for Martin Dinday and Robert Maines | 9-1-06:01 |
| KA-020 | 05/17/99 | Lot 2-A, Ld Ct App 956, Koloa, Kauai (2195 Hoone Road) | Esaki Surveying & Mapping, Inc. for Ronald Semler | 2-8-17:06 |
| HA-196 | 05/10/99 | Parts of RP 7845, LCAw 7715, Ap 13, to L. Kamehameha, Puaa 1, North Kona, Hawaii (75-5728 Kahakai Street) | Wes Thomas Associates for Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate | 7-5-09:14 & 16 |
| HA-208 | 05/20/99 | Lot 2, Kahaluu Beach Lots, Part of RP 6856, LCAw 7713, Ap 6 to V. Kamamalu, Kahaluu, North Kona, Hawaii (78-6600 Alii Drive) | Wes Thomas Associates for Jean Daiker | 7-8-14:54 |

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 |
|----------|-----------------------|---|--|-------------|
| OA-577 | Certified 05/26/99 | Makaha Beach Park, Makaha, Waianae, Oahu (84-369 Farrington Highway) | R.M. Towill Corporation for Dept of Parks and Recreation, City and County of Honolulu, | 8-4-01:12 |
| OA-711 | Certified 05/26/99 | Lot 37 & 37-A, Waialae Beach Lots, Honolulu, Oahu, (6908 Kalaniana'ole Highway) | Donald Eovino for Carl & Barbara Puck | 3-5-22:08 |
| OA-716 | Certified 05/26/99 | Farrington Highway, Piliokoe Bridge to Ala Hema Street, Project No. 93A-07-98, Lualualei, Waianae, Oahu (Not Available - Waipahu, Oahu) | State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation for State of Hawaii | 8-7-05:04 |
| OA-705 | Rejected 05/26/99 | Lot 17, Ld Ct App 831, Kaneohe, Koolaupoko, Oahu (45-002 Holowai Street) | Laura Wolfe for Laura Wolfe | 4-5-07:24 |

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Federal Consistency Reviews

The Hawaii Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program has received the following federal actions to review for consistency with the CZM objectives and policies in Chapter 205A, Hawaii Revised Statutes. This public notice is being provided in accordance with section 306(d)(14) of the National Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended. For more information, please call John Nakagawa with the Hawaii CZM Program at 587-2878. Federally mandated deadlines require that comments be received by the date specified for each CZM consistency review and can be mailed to:

David W. Blane, Director
Office of Planning
Dept. of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
P.O. Box 2359
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804
Or, fax comments to the CZM Program at 587-2899.

🦋 (1) Authorize Existing Pier and Floating Dock in Iroquois Point Lagoon, Pearl Harbor, Oahu

Applicant: Jeffrey R. Barone
Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit
Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Contact: Brian Chung, 438-925, ext. 12
Location: 5316A Iroquois Ave., Iroquois Point Lagoon, Pearl Harbor, Oahu
TMK: 9-1-1: 1
Proposed Action:

Authorize an existing pier and floating dock for recreation use by the property's residence. The pier measures 17' wide by 13' long and is supported by 12-inch wooden beams. The floating dock is 13' wide by 9' long and is chained to the pier on both ends. No excavation, dredging or discharge of fill material in navigable waters is associated with the pier and dock.

Comments Due: June 22, 1999

🦋 (2) Kawaihoni Street Improvements, Iwalani to Pohakulani Streets, South Hilo, Hawaii

Federal Action: Direct Federal Action
Federal Agency: Federal Highway Administration
Contact: Galen Kuba, (808) 961-8327

Consultant: Ron Terry, (808) 982-5831
Location: Kawaihoni Street, between Iwalani and Pohakulani Streets, Hilo, Hawaii
TMK: (3rd) 2-4-2, 12, 154 & 19

Proposed Action:

The Federal Highway Administration, the State Department of Transportation and the Hawaii County Department of Public Works are proposing to improve two closely spaced intersections on Kawaihoni Street, at Iwalani Street and at Ainaola Drive/Pohakulani Street, in Hilo. The purpose of the project is to redesign the intersections to maximize traffic safety and minimize traffic congestion, and will not increase the capacity of the general roadway system that feeds the intersections. Four different design alternatives are being evaluated.

Comments Due: June 22, 1999

🦋 (3) National Marine Fisheries Service Honolulu Laboratory Renewal Project, Manoa, Oahu

Federal Action: Direct Federal Action
Federal Agency: National Marine Fisheries Service
Contact: Robert Gries, Project Manager, 973-2938
Location: 2570 Dole Street, Manoa, Oahu
TMK: 2-8-23: 9

Proposed Action:

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is proposing a renewal project for the NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center Honolulu Laboratory. Two alternatives are being evaluated for the existing site: (1) Renovation/Addition Alternative, which would involve renovating the existing main laboratory building and constructing a new attached addition; and (2) Demolition and Reconstruction Alternative, which would replace the existing buildings with a new building.

Comments Due: June 22, 1999

Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advisory Group

The Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advisory Group (MACZMAG) will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, July 16, 1999 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the State Office Tower, Room 204.

MACZMAG meeting agendas and minutes are now available on the Hawaii Coastal Zone Management Program web page at www.hawaii.gov/dbedt/czm.

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 Water Branch, 586-4309, Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) | State of Hawaii, Dept. of Transportation, No. WQC 0000426 | Manuwai Canal, Honolulu International Airport, Oahu | Comments due: 5/23/99 | Enclose portion of Manuwai Canal with a roofed culvert structure (60' x 8' x 730') to provide for expansion of Honolulu International Airport. |
| Clean Air Branch, (CAB) 586-4200, Temporary Noncovered Source Permit (NSP) | Henry's Equipment, NSP No. 0443-01-NT | Located at: various temporary sites, State of Hawaii. Initial location: Luualaei Homestead Road, Waianae, Oahu | Issued: 5/13/99 | 150 TPH screening plant |
| CAB, 586-4200, NSP | Island Commodities Corporation, NSP No. 0377-01-N | 91-269 Olai Street, Kapolei, Oahu | Issued: 5/13/99 | 275 Hp Dixon boiler |
| CAB, 586-4200, Temporary NSP | G. Ibara Heavy Equipment, NSP No. 0447-01-NT | Located at: various temporary sites, State of Hawaii. Initial location: Maui Land & Pine, Honokohau/Lahaina, Maui | Issued: 5/14/99 | Pioneer 331 duplex crushing/screening plant with 343 Hp Caterpillar Diesel engine power unit |
| CAB, 586-4200, Temporary Covered Source Permit (CSP) | Isemoto Contracting Company, Limited, CSP No. 0219-01-CT | Initial location: Hokuano Ranch, Kealakekua Road, Kealakekua, Hawaii | Comments due: 6/17/99 | 357 TPH portable stone quarrying and processing Plant with a 500 kW DEG |
| CAB, 586-4200, CSP | Maui Electric Company, Ltd., CSP No. 0232-01-C | Kahului Generating Station, Kahului, Maui | Issued: 5/17/99 | Four boilers |
| CAB, 586-4200, CSP | Hawaii Electric Company, Ltd., CSP No. 0234-01-C | Kanoelehua Hill Generating Station, Hilo, Hawaii | Issued: 5/17/99 | Two boilers, one combustion turbine, and four Diesel engines |
| CAB, 586-4200, NSP | Shell Oil Products Company, NSP No. 0091-02-N | 60 Hobron Avenue, Kahului, Maui | Issued: 5/18/99 | Tank truck loadrack and four internal floating roof petroleum storage tanks, Nos. 1, 4, 5, and 7 |
| CAB, 586-4200, CSP | Jas. W. Glover, Ltd., CSP No. 0010-01-C/CT | 890 Leilani Street, Hilo, Hawaii | Comments due: 6/9/99 | Two asphalt concrete plants and two stone processing plants |
| CAB, 586-4200, CSP | United Laundry Services, Inc., CSP No. 0442-02C | 2291 Alahao Place, Honolulu, Oahu | Comments due: 6/9/99 | Two 500 HP SNG/fuel oil No. 2 fired boilers |

Pollution Control Permits (cont'd)

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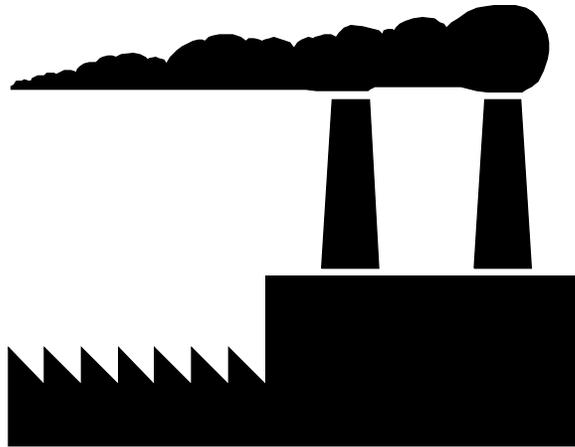
Notice of DOH Voluntary Response Program (VRP) Projects

The Department of Health has one new project which has been accepted into the Voluntary Response Program (VRP). The purpose of the program is to encourage cleanup and economic development of contaminated property. Under the VRP, 'prospective purchasers' of contaminated property enter into an agreement with the DOH to investigate and cleanup contaminated property while under direct DOH oversight. Once the VRP is successfully completed, the prospective purchaser receives a 'Letter of Completion' and various exemptions from future liability from the DOH, related to the specific contamination on the property that is identified in the VRP agreement. Current land owners may also enter the VRP and receive a 'Letter of Completion', but the exemptions from future liability received from their participation can only be utilized by future prospective purchasers. A brief description of the newest project accepted into the VRP is listed below. The Department welcomes comments from the public regarding this and other VRP

projects. For information regarding the Voluntary Response Program, please contact Dr. Dennis R. Stebbins, Voluntary Response Program Coordinator for the State of Hawaii at (808) 586-0958. If you would like to review information relating specifically to the VRP project listed below, please contact the individual who is identified below as the DOH VRP Project Manager.

Chuei Shokoh, Inc. Voluntary Response Program Project

The Chuei Shokoh, Inc. project is located on approximately 38,500 square feet of land at 825 Kapiolani Boulevard in Honolulu, Hawaii. The facility listed as 825B Kapiolani Boulevard is included in the project. Chuei Shokoh, Inc. owns the property site and has entered the program to resolve contamination issues in order to ensure environmental protection of public health and to the environment, and upon successful completion, to provide clean site exemptions of liability to a prospective purchaser. The contamination of concern is primarily petroleum related products in the soil and groundwater. For additional information regarding this project, please contact the DOH's VRP Project Manager, Mr. Dave Hodges at (808) 586-7509.



Incidental Whale Taking Permit for Commercial Fishing Activities

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is seeking comments by **JULY 12, 1999**, on its proposal to issue a permit for incidental, but not intentional, taking of humpback whales, central north Pacific stock, in commercial fishing operations for the Hawaii swordfish, tuna, billfish, mahimahi, oceanic sharks longline/set line fishery, for a period of three years. This Hawaii fishery is classified as a Category III fishery and would not be subject to penalties for incidental takes provided that such takes are reported in accordance with section 118 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act. For more information, contact Dean Wilkinson at (301) 713-2322 (see 64 F.R. 28800, May 27, 1999, for details).

Differential Global Positioning System

On March 15, 1999, the Coast Guard has determined that the Maritime Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS) Service has achieved full operational capacity. The network now meets the high standards for accuracy, integrity, reliability, availability, and coverage required for the Harbor Entrance and Approach phase of maritime navigation. For further information, call Lt. Terry Johns at (202) 267-6538 (see 64 F.R. 28234, May 25, 1999 for details).

New Rules for Protection of Historic Properties

After four years of work, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has issued its final rule, effective **JUNE 17, 1999**, modifying the process by which Federal agencies consider the effects of their undertakings on historic properties and provide the ACHP with a reasonable opportunity to comment with regard to such undertakings as required by section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The Council had sought to better balance the interests and concerns of various users of the Section 106 process, including Federal agencies, State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs), Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs), Native Americans and Native Hawaiians. The rule will be codified in Part 800, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations. Call OEQC for a PDF file copy of the rules (see, 64 F.R. 27071, May 18, 1999, for details).

Flood Elevation Determinations - Big Island

The Federal Emergency Management Agency issued an interim rule listing various unincorporated areas of the island of Hawai'i where modification of the base (1% annual chance) flood elevations is appropriate because of new scientific or technical data. These changes were publicized in the March 11, 1999, edition of the *Hawaii Tribune Herald* and were effective **FEBRUARY 5, 1999**. Call the Office of the Mayor, County of Hawai'i for more information (see, 64 F.R. 26691, May 17, 1999).

Radio Broadcasting Services, Captain Cook

The Federal Communications Commission is seeking comments, on or before **JUNE 28, 1999**, on a petition for Mountain West Broadcasting to allot Channel 2226C1 to Captain Cook, Hawai'i as that community's first local aural transmission service. For more information, call Nancy Joyner at (202) 418-2180 (see, 64 F.R. 26717, May 17, 1999).

National Invasive Species Act Implementation

The Coast Guard has issued an interim rule and voluntary guidelines, effective **JULY 1, 1999**, to control the invasion of aquatic nuisance species (ANS) in the United States. Ballast water from ships is one of the largest pathways for the intercontinental introduction and spread of ANS. The rule amends the existing rules, establishes voluntary ballast water management guidelines for all other waters of the United States, and establishes mandatory reporting for nearly all vessels entering the waters of the United States. Comments on the rule are due **JULY 16, 1999** (see 64 F.R. 26672, May 17, 1999, for details).

Marine Mammals Permit Application

The National Marine Fisheries Service has received a permit application from Dr. Robin W. Baird of Kihei to "harass" various species of cetaceans during the course of photoidentification, behavioral research, and tagging of several species of cetaceans in U.S. waters of the Pacific Ocean (including Hawaii, California, Oregon, Washington, and Alaska) as well as international waters. Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before **JUNE 14, 1999** (see, 64 F.R. 25875, May 13, 1999 for details).

Letters of Notice

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OEQC prints "Letters of Notice" to encourage public participation in our EIS system. Your views are welcome. We may edit letters due to limited space. The opinions presented do not necessarily reflect those of OEQC.

Koko Head Regional Park

Following are excerpts from comment letters received on the Koko Head Regional Park & Nature Preserve draft EIS. A full description of the project can be found in the March 23rd issue of The Environmental Notice:

Regarding visitor flow through the park, the required resource awareness session prior to entering Hanauma Bay, and restricted pedestrian access to the Bay itself, Hawaii's Thousand Friends writes:

This plan significantly affects the social welfare of local residents by requiring them to pay for parking, buy a ticket to go to the Bay, pay to ride a shuttle and take a session on resource awareness. To add insult to injury ... visiting non-resident relative[s] will not be able to go to the beach with the rest of the local family because they will have to be part of a tour group.... [How much time will be needed] ... to park a car, stand in line to purchase tickets for the Bay and the shuttle, ... [wait] to get on the shuttle at Nature Learning Center, ... [wait] ... to go down to the Bay, ... [and wait] ... to take the "resource awareness session"?

.... Local residents have been going to Hanauma Bay for decades and understand the importance of protecting the fragile marine ecosystem. It is insulting to require them to be part of a guided tour or attend a session on resource awareness training. The negative impacts to the Bay began when tourists were dropped off by the bus loads for hours at a time, unsupervised and without being informed of how to take care of the marine environment. What are the implications of this Plan on the right of access for Native Hawaiians? How many people will be on each tour or session? How many people can be processed this way per day?

Doug Meller of Honolulu comments further:

Counting parking, bus fares, and shuttle bus fares, what are you proposing that it cost my family of four to park in the new ... parking lot, visit Hanauma Bay, then return to the new parking lot?

Assuming my family arrives at the proposed new parking lot around 8:30 a.m. on a summer Saturday, assuming typical waits to obtain admission tickets, take a bus to Hanauma Bay, get lectured, and take a shuttle bus, how long will it take before we reach the beach?

.... Do not force people to ride buses if they want to walk. Instead, provide safe pedestrian walkways.

On the proposed funicular to the top of Koko Crater, Mary Steiner of The Outdoor Circle writes:

.... Saying it will use the existing cable car alignment and will require minimal clearing of brush is insufficient. We need to know exactly how the system will be attached to the existing tracks. The information given is so minimal that you cannot know if damage will result or not.... [B]ecause the drawings are quite rudimentary, it is necessary to provide generated drawings of how ... the Koko Head view will be impacted.

Doug Meller adds:

Find a concession willing to restore and operate cable car access to the top of Koko Crater. Do not let the Hawaii Kai NIMBYs talk you out of it.



Surplus Environmental Impact Statements

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OAHU

Sep 72 OA 107 Nanakuli Planned Development Housing (DEIS)
 Sep 78 OA 202 Village Park (DEIS)
 Jul 86 OA 262 Ewa Marina Community & Addendum (FEIS)
 Jan 81 OA 284 Sand Island Road Widening (DEIS)
 Jan 83 OA 297 Makai Boulevard Concept, Middle St. to Pier 18 (DEIS)
 Jun 85 OA 344 Moanalua Road, Pali Momi to Aiea Interchange (DEIS)
 Mar 88 OA 390 Chinatown Gateway Plaza (DEIS)
 Feb 87 OA 403 Waialua-Kahuku Regional Water System (DEIS)
 Feb 89 OA 415 Hawaii Film Facility Expansion (DEIS)
 Mar 89 OA 420 Waikiki Landmark (DEIS)
 Feb 89 OA 424 Lanikai Flood Control Project (DEIS)
 Apr 89 OA 426 Waahila 180 and Waahila 405 Reservoirs (DEIS)
 Jun 89 OA 432 Malaekahana Golf Course (Revised FEIS)
 Sep 89 OA 438 Bayview Golf Course Expansion, Kaneohe (DEIS)
 Sep 89 OA 441 Ke'ehi Lagoon Recreation Plan (DEIS)
 Nov 89 OA 445 Kawaiinui Marsh Flood Damage Mitigation (DEIS)
 Dec 89 OA 448 Malulani Sports Complex Koolaupoko (DEIS)
 Feb 90 OA 453 Central Oahu Dev. Plan Amendment (FEIS)
 Apr 90 OA 464 Kaahumanu Parking Structure Redevelopment (DEIS)
 Sep 90 OA 467 Waikikian Hotel (DEIS)
 Aug 90 OA 468 Aloha Tower Waterfront (DEIS)
 Feb 91 OA 470 Lualualei Golf Course, Nanakuli (DEIS)
 Mar 91 OA 476 Kailua Elderly Housing (DEIS)
 Mar 91 OA 478 Smith-Beretania Parking Lot Redevelopment (DEIS)
 Apr 91 OA 480 Kekaulike Revitalization Project (DEIS)
 Apr 91 OA 482 Waianae Kai Golf Course (DEIS)
 Apr 91 OA 483 Kawaiinui Marsh Flood Control Project (DEIS)
 Mar 91 OA 485 Hale O Malia at Waialae-Kahala (DEIS)
 Mar 91 OA 488 Campbell Drainage Channel, Ewa (DEIS)
 Mar 92 OA 503 Kailua Gateway Development (DEIS)
 Oct 92 OA 510 Luinako Partners Residential Subdivision (DEIS)
 Dec 92 OA 514 Mariculture Research & Training Center (DEIS)
 Mar 93 OA 517 Heeia State Park Master Development Plan (DEIS)
 Oct 93 OA 521 Waikiki War Memorial Park and Natatorium (DEIS)
 Aug 93 OA 522 New Manoa Public Library (DEIS)
 Jan 95 OA 530 East Kapolei Project (DEIS)
 Jan 95 OA 531 Hawaii Convention Center (DEIS)
 Sep 95 OA 532 HI Institute of Marine Biology Marine Lab (DEIS)
 Oct 95 OA 534 Makaha 242 Reservoir No. 2 (DEIS)
 Oct 95 OA 535 Ka Iwi State Park Master Plan (DEIS)
 Jan 96 OA 537 Manana and Pearl City Junction Development (DEIS)
 Sep 96 OA 539 Queen's Beach Golf Course (DEIS/SMA)
 Jan 97 OA541 Amfac Commercial and Park (DEIS)
 Mar 97 OA 542 Aiea Sugar Mill Project (DEIS)
 Oct 97 OA 543 Voyager Submarines Hawaii Artificial Reef (DEIS)

HAWAII

May 85 HI 180A Mauna Lani Resort Revised Master Plan (DEIS)
 Apr 86 HI 185A Kaupulehu Resort (DEIS)
 Jul 86 HI 186 Kohana-Iki Resort (DEIS)
 Sep 87 HI 196 South Kohala Resort (DEIS)
 Oct 88 HI 202 Hilo Wastewater Treatment & Conveyance Fac. (DEIS)
 Jul 88 HI 204 New Hilo Judiciary Complex (DEIS)
 Mar 88 HI 208 New Konawaena Elementary School Site Sel. (DEIS)
 Feb 89 HI 212 Circle K Convenience Store Project (DEIS)
 Mar 89 HI 213 West Hawaii Sanitary Landfill Pu'u-wa'awa'a (DEIS)
 Apr 89 HI 215A Wailuku River Hydroelectric Project (DEIS)

Dec 89 HI 221 Anaeoomalu Bay Installation of Permanent & Day-Use Moorings (DEIS)
 Dec 89 HI 222 Mauna Lani Cove (DEIS)
 Feb 90 HI 224 Kailua Park Expansion Project (DEIS)
 Jun 91 HI 228 Kohanaiki Mauka (DEIS)
 Jul 91 HI 229 West Hawaii Sanitary Landfill Puuanahula (DEIS)
 Jun 90 HI 237 Mahukona (DEIS)
 Dec 92 HI 242 Puainako Street Extension and Widening (DEIS)
 Mar 93 HI 243 Hookena Elementary School Expansion (DEIS)
 Jun 93 HI 247 Villages at Hokukano, Vol I & Vol II (App.) (DEIS)
 Aug 93 HI 248 Palima Pt. Conceptual Plan (Space Port) DEIS, Vol. I-X Amanresort (DEIS)
 Nov 93 HI 250 Amanresort (DEIS)
 Jun 94 HI 254 Kaupulehu Resort Expansion (DEIS)
 May 95 HI 255 Keolonahihi State Historical Park (DEIS)
 Jan 96 HI 256 Kohala Water Transmission System (D & FEIS)
 Sep 95 HI 258 Lower Hamakua Ditch Watershed Project (DEIS)
 Jun 96 HI 260 Hapuna Beach Recreation Area (DEIS)
 Dec 96 HI 261 Big Island Candies Retail & Production Fac. (D & FEIS)
 Oct 96 HI 262 HELCO 12.47/7.2 kV Overhead Distribution System, Puna (DEIS)
 Nov 96 HI 263 Keauu High School (DEIS)
 Nov 96 HI 264 Hilo Judiciary Complex (DEIS)
 Mar 97 HI 265 Waimea-Paaulo Watershed (DEIS)
 May 97 HI 266 University of Hawaii at Hilo, University Park (DEIS)

MAUI

Feb 96 MA 149 Honoapiilani Highway - Puamana to Honokowai (DEIS & DSEIS)
 May 91 MA 154 Upcountry Maui High School (DEIS)
 Jan 91 MA 155 New Kihei Public Library (DEIS)
 Sep 91 MA 157 New Kihei Elementary School (DEIS)
 Aug 92 MA 163 Hana Ranch Country Club (DEIS & Appendix)
 Dec 93 MA 166 Maalaea-Lahaina Third 69KV Transmission Line (DEIS)
 Jun 94 MA 167 Lahaina New Public Library (DEIS)
 Jan 96 MA 169 Expansion of Central Maui Landfill (DEIS)
 Jul 97 MA 171 Waena Power Generating Station (DEIS)

KAUAI

May 80 KA 123A Kikiaola Harbor for Light Draft Vessels (Draft Design Memorandum)
 Jul 86 KA 134A The New Hanamaulu-Wailua Elementary School (DEIS)
 Jun 87 KA 136 Upper Makaleha Springs Water Resource Development (EIS '87)
 Oct 88 KA 144 Lihue Airport Complex Interim Helicopter Fac. (DSEIS)
 Dec 94 KA 149 Kauai Acoustic Thermometry of Ocean Climate DEIS & FEIS; 2 vol. each

Also available:

Apr 98 Pacific Missile Range Facility, 2 volumes
 Nov 96 HI Kai Properties Environmental Impact Report (Ka Iwi area)