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projects proposed in Hawaii

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Oahu Harbors Master Plan

The Department of Transportation has released its draft EIS for the immediate phase of its "Oahu Commercial Harbors 2020 Master Plan." The master plan is an update to the Honolulu Waterfront Master Plan and the 2010 Master Plan for Barber's Point Harbor and conceptually addresses Honolulu, Kewalo Basin and Barber's Point Harbors as dependent harbors. The plan also functions as a long-range guide for the development and enhancement of these commercial ports.

The four major projects proposed which will be fully examined in this EIS

Barber's Point Agricultural Park

After reviewing public comments, the Department of Agriculture has issued a finding of no significant impact for an applicant's proposal to lease state lands in Campbell Industrial Park for an agricultural park with a slaughterhouse and meat processing plant. The maximum number of animals in the holding pen will be about 100. Treated wastewater effluent will be applied to 24 acres where California grass and other forage crops will be grown for animals to graze prior to slaughter. The final EA includes a wind rose, a description of the regional hydrogeology including an assessment of the impact of nitrogenous contaminants on nearshore waters. See page 5 for more information.

Air Quality Hearing for Grace Pacific in Kapolei

A public hearing will be held on Monday, July 26, 1999 concerning an air quality permit for Grace Pacific's asphalt plant in Kapolei. For more information, please see page 17.

are: 1) a cruise passenger terminal at Pier 2; 2) finger piers at Piers 12 to 16; 3) an excursion vessel terminal at Piers 24 to 29; and 4) lay berth facilities in Keehi Lagoon.

Harbors have the potential to introduce alien pest species into Hawaii. Non-indigenous marine organisms can enter harbor waters by being attached to the bottom of a ship's hull or by being released during a vessel's ballast water discharge operations. The EIS discusses mitigation measures to minimize this impact. See page 6 for more information.

H-1 Freeway Widening near Waimalu

To improve traffic conditions on H-1 freeway, the Department of Transportation wants to widen about 1.25 miles of the westbound portion of the freeway between Kaonohi Street and the Waiiau interchange to six lanes. The proposed project is a continuation of a current construction project to improve the connection from westbound H-3 to westbound H-1.

The project will require the acquisition of property north of the freeway right-of-way and relocation of several homes and Grace Brethren Church in the Waimalu Gardens Subdivision. See page 4 for more.

Coral Reef Ecosystem EIS Scoping Meetings

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration will prepare an EIS for its Coral Reef Ecosystem Fishery Management Plan. Scoping sessions will be held on July 13-15, 1999 during the Coral Reef Plant Team meetings at the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council. Call the Council at 522-8220 for details. See page 18 for more information.

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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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) H-1 Widening Westbound, Kaonohi Street to Waiiau Interchange

District: Ewa
TMK: 9-8-26:9, 10, 16, 23-27, 46-48, 57, 63, 65, 69, 71-73; 9-8-27:2; 9-8-60:15
Applicant: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
600 Kapiolani Boulevard, 3rd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Ron Tsuzuki (587-1830)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
600 Kapiolani Boulevard, 3rd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Ron Tsuzuki (587-1830)
and
U.S. Department of Transportation
300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 3306
Honolulu, Hawaii 96850
Contact: Richelle Suzuki (541-2700)

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

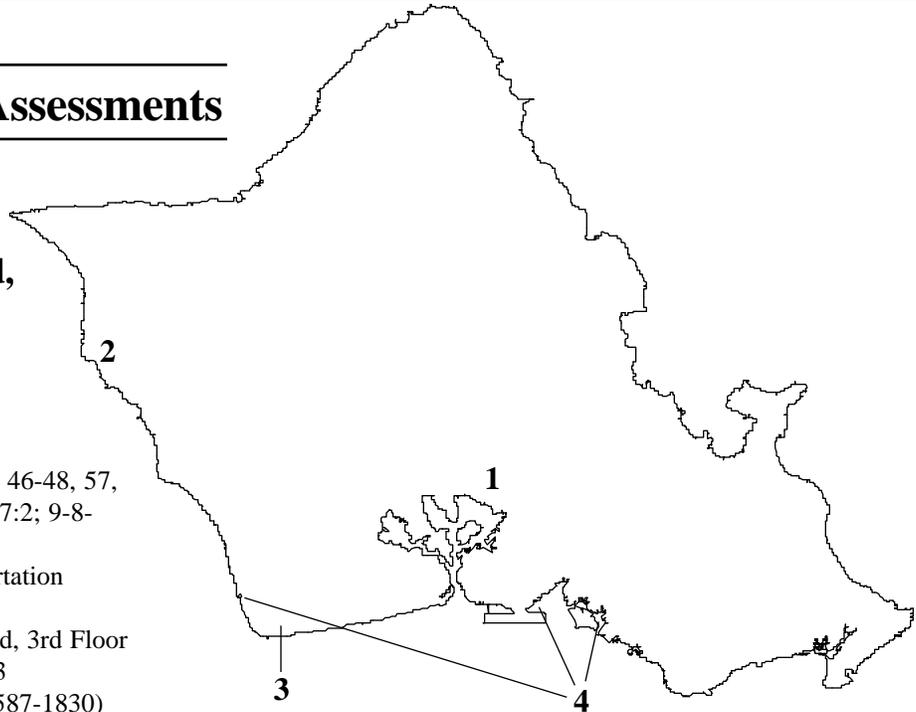
Public Comment

Deadline: August 9, 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: NPDES, noise

The State Department of Transportation, Highways Division proposes to construct improvements to the westbound lanes of Interstate Route H-1 between the Kaonohi Street overcrossing and the Exit 10 off-ramp at Waiiau Interchange. This improvement is recommended to maintain interstate design standards, increase traffic safety, relieve traffic congestion, and meet the overall projected operating conditions on this segment of Interstate Route H-1.



This project would increase the number of westbound lanes on this segment of the H-1 Freeway from five to six. The new lane would pick up a dropped sixth lane in the vicinity of the Kaonohi Street overcrossing by a current freeway widening project and extend it into the Exit 10 off-ramp at the Waiiau Interchange. When complete, this segment of Interstate H-1 will have a typical section of a 10 foot median shoulder, six 12-foot lanes, and a 12 foot outside shoulder. This will widen the existing freeway by a total of 29 feet. The proposed widening would affect a segment of the freeway approximately 1 1/4 miles in length, including the 1500-foot Waimalu viaduct.

Widening of the viaduct segment requires the acquisition of portions of land north of the freeway right-of-way and relocation of several homes in the Waimalu Garden subdivision. Work on the viaduct will require a temporary detour to bypass Pono street, which provides sole access into the Waimalu Garden subdivision. Construction activities will generate short-term impacts in the form of fugitive dust, exhaust emissions, and construction noise. Interruptions to traffic on the H-1 freeway, westbound are anticipated. These impacts are temporary in nature and will be mitigated through best management practices. The project will not alter the character of the surrounding area and will not effect changes in land use.

Final Environmental Assessments (FONSI)



(2) AT&T Japan-U.S. Fiber Optic Cable Network at Makaha Beach

District: Waianae
TMK: 8-4-1:12 and 8-4-2:41
Applicant: AT&T Corporation
340 Mt. Kemble Avenue
Morristown, New Jersey 07960
Contact: Wade Higa (808-696-4732)

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)

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

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: SSV, SMA

The applicant, on behalf of a consortium of international telecommunication companies, proposes to develop and install a transpacific submarine fiber optic cable system which will link Japan, Hawaii and California. This project is known as the Japan-U.S. Cable Network.

The applicant proposes to utilize existing cable easements which run from off-shore submerged areas up Makaha Beach, along and across Farrington Highway to the existing AT&T Makaha Cable Station.

Makaha Beach already serves as the landing site for six (6) transpacific cables and two (2) inter-island service cables, the first of which date back to 1964. The new cable system will be constructed in three (3) phases:

1) Installation of the necessary Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) ductlines within the 10-foot wide easement from the existing cable station to a new beach manhole located adjacent to the existing beach manhole.

2) The actual beach and near-shore area trenching, including the placement of temporary landing targets. Approximately 496 cubic yards of sand will be excavated and temporarily stored on the beach adjacent to the trenching site. Portions of the beach will have to be temporarily closed for approximately five (5) days.

3) The actual landing of the submarine fibre optic cables, installing the cable into the ductlines, and restoring the beach.

The trenching activity in Phases 2 and 3, will be located within the shoreline setback area and requires the approval of a Shoreline Setback Variance pursuant to Chapter 23, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu. The project cost is estimated at approximately 3.2 million dollars.



(3) Barbers Point Agriculture Park, Slaughterhouse & Meat Processing Plant

District: Ewa
TMK: 9-1-31:1 (por.), 25, 26 and 37 (por.)
Applicant: Palama Meat Company, Inc.
2656 Waiwai Loop
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819
Contact: Joseph Azzaro (836-0172) and
Hawaii Livestock Cooperative
94-403 Ukee Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797
Contact: Leonard Oshiro (676-9100)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Agriculture
1248 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814
Contact: Paul Matsuo (973-9473)

Consultant: James Kumagai (591-8820)
c/o Engineering Concepts, Inc.
1150 South King Street, Suite 700
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Building, grubbing/grading/stockpiling, NPDES, conditional use-type 1

Palama Meat Company, Inc. and the Hawaii Livestock Cooperative are proposing to establish an agricultural park and construct a slaughterhouse and a meat processing plant on state-owned land within Campbell Industrial Park. The proposed facility would be located at 91-265 Olai Street, adjacent to an existing rendering plant. The project site is

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currently vacant; however, a portion of the site was utilized as a cattle feedlot from 1963 to 1991. The proposed slaughterhouse and meat processing facilities would replace existing facilities on Oahu and would be constructed and operated in compliance with USDA standards. The agricultural park project also includes: an onsite wastewater treatment plant and effluent disposal system for animal process wastes; and utility infrastructure to support operation and maintenance of the facility.

Development of the proposed slaughterhouse and meat processing plant will assure a supply of fresh meat products for Oahu consumers. The project will also support the local livestock industry through preservation of jobs.

Potential short term impacts associated with the construction period include soil erosion, and generation of dust and noise. Significant long term environmental impacts are not anticipated since most operations will occur within enclosed buildings. Odors generated from unenclosed areas (including animal holding pens and wastewater treatment facilities) will be minimized by good housekeeping practices. The slaughterhouse will follow strict facility maintenance and sanitation operating procedures which will be monitored and enforced by the USDA Food Safety Inspection Service. The proposed project can achieve an almost zero-discharge state to the groundwater and coastal waters. Mass emissions rates will be controlled by limiting effluent irrigation or increasing the application area (thereby increasing the opportunity for nutrient uptake by forage crops).

The estimated construction cost is \$12 million, of which \$10 million is authorized for special purpose revenue bonds (Act 148, Nineteenth Legislature, 1998). Construction will be phased over a three-year period, after completion of design and obtaining required permits and approvals.

The State Department of Agriculture has reviewed Final EA for the project and a FONSI determination has been issued.

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(4) Oahu Commercial Harbors 2020 Master Plan

District: Honolulu

TMK: 2-1-15:29, 30; 2-1-01:42, 45, 56; 1-1-76:03; 1-5-34 (various parcels); 1-5-36 (var. par.); 1-5-38 (var. par.); 2-1-01:58, 59, 60; 1-5-39 (var. par.); 1-5-32:02, 08, 17; 9-1-14:02, 08, 24

Applicant: Dept. of Transportation, Harbors Division
79 S. Nimitz Highway
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Glenn Soma (587-2503)

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: Wil Chee Planning, Inc.
1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 928
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814
Contact: Richard Stook (955-6088)

Public Comment

Deadline: August 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: Rivers Harbors Act Sec. 10, Army Sec. 404, Sec. 401 WQC, CZM consistency, SMA, HCDA development, NPDES, noise var., water use, air emissions

The Hawaii State Department of Transportation, Harbors Division proposes to implement a series of improvements in Honolulu Harbor as part of their Oahu Commercial Harbors 2020 Master Plan. The proposed harbor improvements are scheduled to be initiated by the year 2003 and are designated Immediate Phase projects. The proposed action consists of the following elements:

Cruise Passenger Terminal - The proposed cruise passenger terminal would involve the construction of a passenger vessel terminal at Pier 2, which would be capable of accommodating two cruise ships. The conceptual plan for the proposed facilities includes two terminal buildings, parking areas, and a new paved roadway to access the terminal buildings and parking facilities.

Finger Piers - The proposed improvements will be undertaken at Piers 12, 15 and 16 and will consist of the reconstruction and extension of Pier 12, the extension of Pier 16, and construction of new finger piers 12a and 15a.

Excursion Vessel Terminal - Proposed improvements involve the construction of a commercial excursion vessel passenger terminal at Piers 24 - 29 which would accommodate the same types of excursion and tour operations presently operating out of Kewalo Basin.

Lay Berth Facilities - This project involves the construction of lay berth facilities in Keehi Lagoon to accommodate foreign and domestic commercial fishing vessels, barges, and other vessels, and the construction of a berthing facility for Honolulu Harbor's two emergency spill-response vessels.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



Record of Decision for the Disposal & Reuse of Barbers Point Naval Air Station

The Department of the Navy has issued a Record of Decision on the disposal and reuse of the Barbers Point Naval Air Station (see also, *Federal Register*, June 30, 1999, at page 35132).

For further information, please contact Mr. Melvin Kaku (PLN23), Pacific Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 258 Makalapa Drive, Ste. 100, Pearl Harbor, HI 96860-3134, ph: (808) 471-9338, fax: (808) 474-5909.

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📍 Easter Seals Parking Lot Expansion

Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Land Division
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Charlene Unoki (587-0456)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999

📍 Hawaiian Cement Terminal at Kalaeloa/ Barbers Point Harbor

Applicant: Hawaiian Cement
91-055 Kaomi Loop
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Contact: Dane Wurlitzer (673-4200)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Transportation
Harbors Division
79 S. Nimitz Highway
Honolulu Hawaii 96813
Contact: Glenn Soma (587-2503)

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999

📍 Honouliuli Wastewater Reclamation Project

Applicant: U.S. Filter Corporation
2300 Contra Costa Boulevard, Suite 470
Pleasant Hill, California 94523
Contact: Mike Street(381-2530)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Dana Teramoto (523-4648)

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999

📍 Keehi Lagoon Exploratory Drilling

Applicant: Hawaii Fueling Facilities Corporation
300 Rodgers Boulevard
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819
Contact: John Thatcher (836-1960)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Office of Conservation and Environmental Affairs
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 131
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Sam Lemmo (587-0377)

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999

📍 Waialua Well II Exploratory Well Site

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: Clifford Jamile (527-6180)

Public Comment

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🗺️ Nanakuli 242 Reservoir

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

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999



Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Amendments to Water Quality Standards

The Hawaii Department of Health Environmental Planning Office will hold a public hearing to solicit testimony regarding proposed amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 11 Chapter 54, Water Quality Standards. The hearings are scheduled as follows:

- Kailua-Kona:** 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 13, 1999
Kealakehe Intermediate School Cafeteria
74-5062 Onipa'a St. Kailua-Kona
- Hilo:** 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 14, 1999
Environmental Health Facility Conference Room
1582 Kamehameha Avenue, Hilo
- Maui:** 4:30 p.m., Thursday, July 15, 1999
J. Walter Cameron Center, Conference Rm 1
95 Mahalani St. Wailuku
- Lihue:** 4:30 p.m., Monday, July 19, 1999
Department of Health Conference Room
3040 Umi St. Lihue
- Honolulu:** 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 20, 1999
5th floor conference room
919 Ala Moana Blvd

Proposed amendments include: 1) *inland waters*: improved and clarified definitions, revised descriptions of inland waterbodies, and a new geographic basis for assigning class 1 designated uses to streams; 2) *Kona coast area-specific criteria*: a new set of criteria, based on a linear mixing relationship for nitrogen and phosphorus; 3) *revisions to Clean Water Act Sect. 401(c) Water Quality Certification*: filing fee increased from \$100 to \$1000, new limitations on after-the-fact applications, and rules assigning priority review for Hawaiian fishpond restoration.

The text of the proposed amendments, and rationale papers supporting each revision are available from the DOH Environmental Planning Office, 919 Ala Moana Blvd, room 312, and by calling 586-4337. These documents are also available in an electronic format on the world wide web at the following URL: <http://www.pixi.com/~epo-wqm>.

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👉 Hamakuapoko Wells No. 1 & 2 Drought Emergency Installations

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

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

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👉 Kanaio Training Area Fence Construction

Applicant: Hawaii Army National Guard
Engineering/environmental Section
3949 Diamond Head Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816
Contact: Melissa Dumaran (733-4267)

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

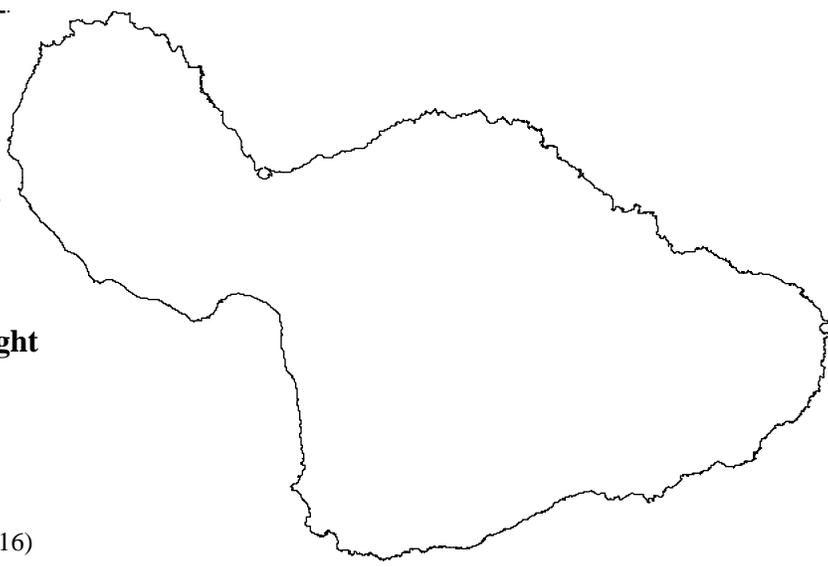
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👉 Wainee Office Building

Applicant: Finance Realty, Ltd.
1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1100
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Howard Murai (548-5175)

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

**Public Comment
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👉 Zond-Pacific 20 MW Windfarm Project

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)

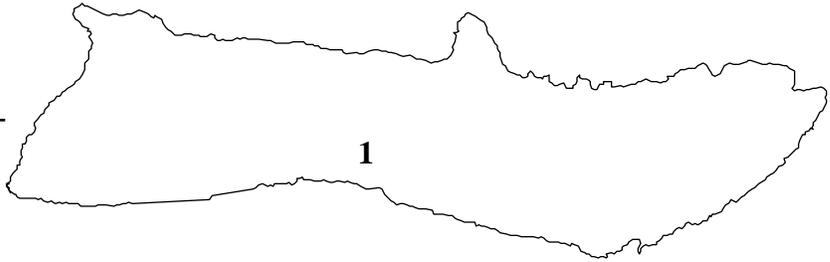
**Public Comment
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(1) Molokai Baseyard

District: Molokai
TMK: 5-2-31:9 & 10
Applicant: County of Maui
Department of Transportation
650 Palapala Drive
Kahului, Hawaii 96732
Contact: Bob Siarot (873-3535)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.
1907 South Beretania Street, Suite 400
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826
Contact: John Sakaguchi (946-2277)

Public Comment

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: Grading, building

The State of Hawaii Department of Transportation Highways Division, Maui District is proposing to construct a new baseyard in the Molokai Industrial Park to replace their existing facilities located in Kaunakakai. The replacement facilities are to be located on two lots with a total area of 1.99-acres within Tax Map Key: 5-2-31: Lots 9 and 10 (formerly TMK: 5-2-11: portion of 29). The proposed Molokai Baseyard project site is located about 0.3 miles west of the intersection of Kamehameha Highway and Ulili Street which is 2.5 miles northwest of Kaunakakai and 5.1 miles southeast of Molokai Airport. The two lots to be occupied by the Baseyard were cleared and graded when the Industrial Park subdivision was constructed. The previous clearing and grading have removed vegetation that previously grew on the project site. Currently, only a small amount of a few weedy species grow on the site. The previous clearing and grading have also removed any other features which may have been on the two lots.

The Molokai Baseyard will include the following: a 1,750 square-foot (SF) office building with offices, a meeting room, a break/lunch room, and a locker/shower room; a 5,000 SF maintenance building with maintenance bays and storage space; covered vehicle and equipment parking sheds; a 770 SF storage building, two double-walled above ground fuel tanks (3,000 gallons diesel and 1,000 gallons gasoline); a vehicle/equipment wash pad; exterior material storage area; and 15 employee parking stalls. About 75 percent of the parcel will be improved with facilities or pavement. The remaining portion of the parcel will not be improved.

The State of Hawaii Land Use District classification is Urban for the project site. The Molokai Community Plan designation is Industrial for the project site. The County of Maui Zoning is M-2, Heavy Industrial, for the project site.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

~ Maunaloa Golf Course

Applicant: Molokai Ranch, Ltd.
55 Merchant Street, Suite 2000
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Harold Edwards (531-0158)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Maui
Department of Planning
250 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: John Min (270-7735)

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999

Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Kawaihae Harbor Pave Additional Barge Terminal Area

District: South Kohala
TMK: 6-1-3:por. of 24
Applicant: Department of Transportation
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5097
Contact: Napoleon Agraan (587-1956)

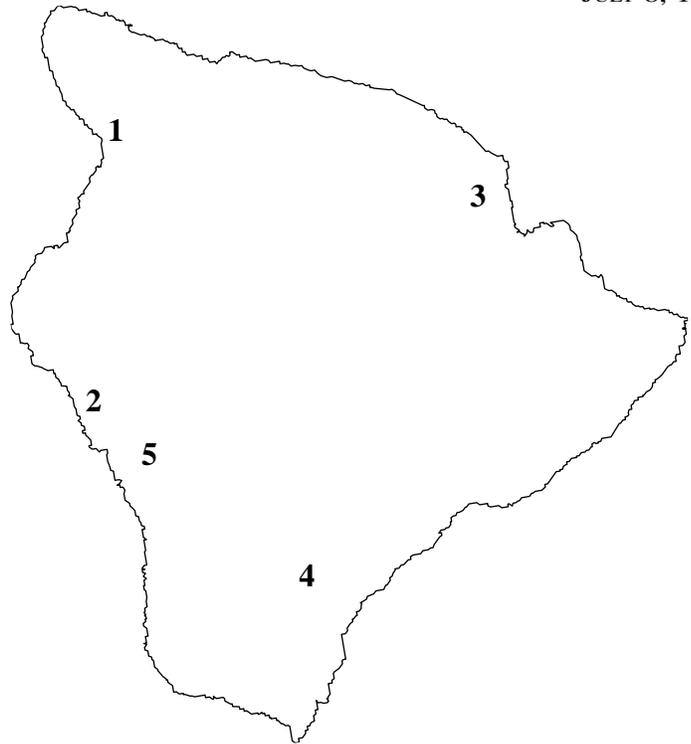
Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Brian T. Nishimura (935-7692)
101 Aupuni Street, #217
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Public Comment

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: NPDES

The State Department of Transportation (DOT), Harbors Division, is proposing landside improvements to their Kawaihae Harbor facilities at Kawaihae 1st, South Kohala, Hawaii. The proposed project involves the demolition and removal of existing asphalt concrete pavements, grading and compaction, installation of base course, portland-cement concrete (PCC) paving and striping. Additional improvements include a chain link fence, waterline for fire protection, area lighting, communications and drainage system. The project also includes a master plan of approximately 3.8 acres south of the project site. The total project area is approximately 7.1 acres of land. Upon completion of the improvements, the project area will be utilized by Young Brothers for inter-island barge operations.



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



(2) Brand Single Family Residence

District: North Kona
TMK: 7-9-05:13
Applicant: Gary Brand c/o Gregory Mooers
P.O. Box 1101
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743
Contact: Greg Mooers (885-6839)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Lauren Tanaka (587-0385)
Consultant: Greg Mooers (885-6839)
P.O. Box 1101
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743

Hawaii Notices

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Public Challenge

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits
Required: CDUP, SMA, building

The project consists of construction of a single family home on a kuleana of 26,185 sf. on the shoreline 1.25 miles south of Keauhou Bay in the Conservation District. The house would consist of seven rooms occupying approximately 3,500 sf, with associated improvements including an Individual Wastewater System, a swimming pool/deck and landscaping. The design would blend in with the surroundings through use of natural rock walls and earth-tones on other surfaces. Access is via the existing Keauhou-Kainaliu jeep road. Electric/phone lines would be brought to the house via a route that extends directly uphill to existing lines. The house would be set back approximately 55 feet from the shoreline. Mitigation measures include Best Management Practices during construction.



(3) Haaheo Booster Pump Improvements

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-6-15:42
Applicant: County of Hawaii
Department of Water Supply
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Glenn Ahuna (961-8660)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Inaba Engineering, Inc.
273 Waiuanue Avenue
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Jason Inaba (961-3727)

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits
Required: Noise, SMA, hydrotest water

The County of Hawaii Department of Water Supply is planning to replace its Haaheo Booster Pump Station No. 1 with a new facility. The replacement pump station will be located approximately 1,500 feet north of the existing pump station on Wainaku Street. Once the new pump station is complete, the existing pump station facility will be taken off

line, removed, and the site restored to match the surrounding area.

The existing site is confined and located along a cut section of the roadway. A hazardous situation exists when DWS staff services the site because there is limited space for maintenance vehicles to safely park along side the roadway. Currently, the pump system is operating below desired efficiency and capacity levels. The existing facility was constructed over thirty three years ago in 1966 with a pumping capacity of 150 gpm. In addition, the existing 9'x11' pump shed will be tested for hazardous materials. Proper handling and disposal procedures will be established for the demolition phase of the project.

The new site will provide adequate space for the new facilities and off-street parking for maintenance vehicles. The pumps will be upgraded to 350 gpm and provisions will be incorporated into the site design to accommodate a third future pump. The pumps and appurtenances will be installed on a 24'x24' slab with sound attenuating provisions. A hollow tile control building approximately 12' by 24' will house the pump motor controls, electrical and telemetry equipment. The site will be graded with paved driveway and fenced for security. The objectives of this project are to upgrade the existing system for capacity and efficiency and to provide safer access and parking for service vehicles and maintenance personnel.



(4) Pahala Fire Station Multipurpose Facility

District: Kau
TMK: 9-6-23:44
Applicant: County of Hawaii, Fire Department
777 Kilauea Avenue, Lane #6
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Royce Shiroma (961-8379)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Ron Terry (982-5831)
HC 2 Box 9575
Keaau, Hawaii 96749

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits
Required: Building

The project involves construction of a 1,600 square foot metal structure adjacent to the existing fire station in Pahala. The new structure would secure and house the new fire truck, water tanker and a 4-wheel drive, off-road emergency vehicle. The facility will also serve as a training area, equipment storage area, a command center for major incidents, and an emergency operations center during disasters. The purpose of the project is to expand and improve the scope of fire protection, emergency medical assistance, and civil defense readiness for the area. No adverse long-term impacts are expected to result from the project, as there are no sensitive biological, hydrological or historic resources present at the site. The improvement of public health and safety is a long-term benefit of the project.



(5) Waipunaula 1.0 MG Reservoir and Transmission Waterline

District: South Kona
TMK: 8-2-01:93
Applicant: County of Hawaii
Department of Water Supply
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Glen Ahuna (961-8660)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Inaba Engineering, Inc.
273 Waiuanue Avenue
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Jason Inaba (961-3727)

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 9, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits
Required: NPDES, hydrotesting

The County of Hawaii Department of Water Supply is planning to replace an existing 250,000 gallon steel water tank with a new 1.0 million gallon standard DWS concrete reservoir at its Waipunaula, South Kona tank site. They also plan to install a new 12" transmission pipeline along Koa Road.

The new 12" waterline will start at Mamalahoa Highway and run along the existing private Koa Road approximately 1,400 lineal feet to the tank site. The new waterline will run parallel to the existing 8" waterline. The DWS has a

utility easement over Koa Road. The existing 8" water line serves as both the inflow and outflow for the tank. The additional transmission line will enhance the efficiency of the system by providing separate inflow to and outflow from the reservoir. The existing steel tank has been in service for over 35 years is subject to corrosion and leakage. The surface of the steel tank will be tested for presence of lead based paint. Once construction of the new concrete tank is completed, the existing steel tank will be removed and properly disposed of. By current DWS standards, new replacement steel tanks are no longer allowed and installing the new reinforced concrete water tank will bring the facility up to current DWS standards. The existing tank site will be expanded to accommodate the larger tank by acquiring land from two adjacent parcels.

Benefits gained from this project will be more storage, higher efficiency and less maintenance to the South Kona water system. No adverse long term environmental impacts are anticipated since the improvements will be installed along previously developed and disturbed areas.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Impact Statements

► Mamalahoa Highway Bypass Road

Applicant: 1250 Oceanside Partners dba Oceanside
1250
78-6831 Ali'i Drive, Suite #K-15
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740
Contact: Mr. Robert Stuit (324-1500)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Hawaii
Department of Public Works
25 Aupuni Street, Suite 202
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Jiro Sumada (961-8321)/Tom Pack
(327-3530)

Public Comment

Deadline: August 9, 1999



Kauai Notices

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Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

● Kauai Main Police Facility/Emergency Operating Center/Prosecuting Attorney Offices

Applicant: County of Kauai
Department of Public Works
4444 Rice Street, Suite 275
Lihue, Hawaii 96766
Contact: Douglas Haigh (241-6650)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Kauai
Department of Public Works
4444 Rice Street, Suite 275
Lihue, Hawaii 96766
Contact: Douglas Haigh (241-6650)

Public Comment

Deadline: July 23, 1999



Shoreline Notices

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-287	05/27/99	Lualualei Beach Park, Piliokoe Bridge to Ala Hema Street, Project No. 93A-07:98, Lualualei, Waianae, Oahu (Farrington Highway, Waianae)	Department of Transportation for C&C of Honolulu, Dept of Parks & Recreation	8-6-01:Por. 07
OA-715	05/24/99	Lots 1 & 54-F, Ld Ct App 1002, Kaneohe, Koolaupoko, Oahu (45-002 Lilipuna Road)	Imata & Associates, Inc. for Sevath Tanaka	4-5-01:39
OA-717	05/27/99	Farrington Highway to Ala Hema Street Project No. 93A-07-98, Lualualei, Waianae, Oahu (Maili Beach Park, Farrington Highway, Waianae)	Department of Transportation for C&C of Honolulu, Dept of Parks & Recreation	8-7-16:02
OA-723	06/16/99	Lot 2512 (Map 235) and Lot 10388 (Map 793), Ld Ct App 1069, Honouliuli, Ewa, Oahu (91-150 Kaomi Loop)	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc. for Estate of James Campbell	9-1-26:17& 51
MA-046	06/18/99	Lot 3, Ld Ct App 1744 (Map 2), Kaanapali, Lahaina, Maui (2525 Kaanapali Parkway)	Valera, Inc. for Kaanapali Beach Hotel	4-4-08:03

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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-538	Certified 06/25/99	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	Certified 06/25/99	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	Certified 06/25/99	Lot 2-A, Ld Ct App 956, Koloa, Kauai (2195 Hoone Road)	Esaki Surveying & Mapping, Inc. for Ronald Semler	2-8-17:06
HA-188	Certified 06/25/99	Por of RP 4475, LCAw 7713, Ap 7 to V. Kamamalu & being RP 4575, LCAw 9700, Ap 2 to Kaaukelemoku & RP 7041, LCAw 5799, Ap to Kalawai, Keauhou 1st, N. Kona, Hawaii (78-110A, 78-109A, 78-107A, 78-110 Holua Road)	Blue Chip Corporation for Blue Chip Corporation	7-8-12:40, 41, 51 & 75
HA-196	Certified 06/25/99	Pors 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	Certified 06/25/99	Lot 2, Kahaluu Beach Lots, Por 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

Environmental Council Notices

Environmental Council Meetings

The Environmental Council is scheduled to meet on **Friday, July 16, 1999** at 3:30 p.m. on the 4th floor of the Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building, 235 South Beretania Street, Room 405, Honolulu.

The Council's Exemption Committee and Communication, Education & Legislation Committee are tentatively scheduled to meet the same day prior to the full Council meeting. Please call on or after July 8 for the final agenda.

Any person desiring to attend the meetings and requiring an accommodation (taped materials or sign language interpreter) may request assistance provided such a request is made five (5) working days prior to the scheduled meetings. This request may be made by writing to Ms. Barbara Robeson, Chair, Environmental Council c/o OEQC, 235 S. Beretania Street, Suite 702, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 or by fax at (808) 586-4186.

Coastal Zone News

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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 Hawaii CZM Program at 587-2899.



(1) Proposed Oahu Forest National Wildlife Refuge, Oahu

Federal Action: Direct Federal Activity
Federal Agency: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 541-3441
Location: Northern Koolau Mountains
Proposed Action:

Establish a National Wildlife Refuge to protect up to 7,119 acres of high quality native forest. The proposed refuge supports a rich diversity of native plants and animals including a number of rare species. Management programs would help to protect the native biological diversity of the refuge in perpetuity, protect and recover endangered and threatened species, and provide opportunities for the public to learn about and enjoy Hawaii's natural resources. The proposed action includes acquisition of private land for the Waipio parcel (4,780 acres) and a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Army for the Waianae Uka parcel (2,339 acres).

Comments Due: July 22, 1999



(2) Honolulu International Airport Perimeter Road Crossings, Honolulu, Oahu

Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit

Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Applicant: State Department of Transportation, Airports Division
Contact: Eugene P. Dashiell, consultant, 593-8330

Location: Airport Perimeter Road, Honolulu International Airport, Oahu

TMK: 1-1-3

Proposed Action:

Construct three road crossings over the airport drainage canal system as part of realigning and improving the existing perimeter road. Two of the crossings will be bridges and the third crossing will be a box culvert. The drainage system is subject to tidal influence where the crossings will be placed.

Comments Due: July 22, 1999

Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advisory Group

The tentatively scheduled July 16, 1999 Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advisory Group (MACZMAG) meeting will be held at some later date.

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



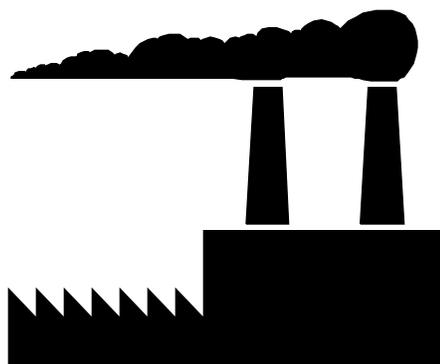
Pollution Control Permits

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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 Air Branch, 586-4200, Covered Source Permit	United Laundry Services, Inc. CSP No. 0442-02-C	2991 Alahao Place, Honolulu	Issued: 6/25/99	Two (2) 500 HP SNG/Fuel Oil No.2 Fired Boilers
CAB, 586-4200, Noncovered Source Permit	Weyerhaeuser Company NSP No. 0016-01-N	900 North Nimitz Highway, Honolulu	Issued: 6/22/99	One (1) 350 HP Boiler and One Cyclone
CAB, 586-4200, Temporary Covered Source Permit	Grace Pacific Corporation CSP No. 0045-02-CT	91-120 Farrington Highway, Kapolei, Oahu	Hearing Date: July 26, 1999	334 TPH Hot Mix Asphalt Facility
Clean Water Branch, 586-4309, NPDES Permit	Maui Electric Company, # 99-CW-PW-3	Kahului Generating Station, Maui	Comment Deadline: July 28, 1999	Discharge once-through condenser cooling water, treated metal cleaning wastes, low volume wastes, and storm water to the ocean off the Maui coastline
CWB, 586-4309, NPDES Permit	Hawaii-American Water Company, # 99-CW-PW-5	East Honolulu Wastewater Treatment Plant, Hawaii Kai, Oahu	Comment Deadline: July 21, 1999	Discharge secondary treated domestic wastewater, and storm water to the ocean off Sandy Beach



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EIS Proposed for Coral Reef Ecosystem Fishery Management Plan

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration will prepare an environmental impact statement for its proposed Coral Reef Ecosystem Fishery Management Plan. A scoping meeting will be held at the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's Coral Reef Ecosystem Plan Team Meeting, **JULY 13-15, 1999**, at the 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, in downtown Honolulu. Call 522-8220 for details.

The proposed action would include permit and reporting requirements for non-subsistence harvest of coral reef resources in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). It would also include Essential Fish Habitat, Habitat Areas of Particular Concern, fishing and non-fishing threats, as well as other required provisions under the Sustainable Fisheries Act (SFA). A framework amendment process will be included to allow for the addition of new measures rapidly. The proposed Coral Reef Ecosystem EIS/FMP, being developed by the Council will be its fifth FMP for Federal waters, which is the EEZ for all U.S. Pacific Islands. This area includes nearly 4,000 square miles of coral reefs. Development of the FMP is timely considering new mandates and initiatives such as Ecosystem Principles in Fisheries Management, the President's 1998 Executive Order on Coral Reefs, and priorities of the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force and the U.S. Coral Reef Initiative, as well as the SFA and other provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The draft FMP describes the importance of coral reef resources to the region and current and potential threats that warrant a fishery management plan at this time. Information regarding the harvest of these resources in the EEZ is largely unknown. Potential for unregulated harvest and bio-prospecting for reef fish, live grouper, live rock and coral exists throughout the region. Marine debris, largely from fishing gear, is impacting reefs in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands. To identify the scope of issues that will be addressed in the EIS and to identify potential impacts on the quality of the human environment, NOAA (through Ms. Kitty Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813) will be receiving written comments **ON OR BEFORE JULY 15, 1999** (see 64 F.R. 32210, June 16, 1999 and 64 F.R. 34781, June 29, 1999).

Precious Corals Team Meeting

The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (WPFMC) will hold a meeting of its Precious Corals Plan Team and Advisory Panel on **JULY 20, 1999**, from 2:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M. at the National Marine Fisheries Service Labora-

tory, 2570 Dole Street, Room 112, Honolulu. Members of the Precious Corals Plan Team and Advisory Panel will discuss findings of recent research on precious corals in the waters around Hawaii, including information on the size and condition of certain classified precious coral beds, potential increases in fishing pressure on black corals, the presence of a new precious coral bed near the French Frigate Shoals and the possible importance of precious coral beds as foraging areas for Hawaiian monk seals. Based on this information, the team will discuss possible modifications to the precious corals fishery management plan. For more information, call (808) 522-8220 (see, 64 F.R. 34782, June 29, 1999).

Comments Sought on Consent Decree for 1996 Waiiau/Pearl Harbor Oil Spill

The U.S. Department of Justice, on behalf of the federal departments of Commerce and Interior, and the State of Hawai'i, lodged a proposed consent decree in the U.S. District Court, District of Hawai'i in *United States v. Chevron Products Division*, Civil Action No. 99-00410-DAE-LEK, on June 3, 1999. This consent decree resolves the claims of the United States and the State of Hawai'i against Chevron Products Division. The consent decree concerns Chevron's discharge of approximately 41,000 gallons of number 6 bunker fuel oil from its pipeline on the island of O'ahu into Waiiau Marsh, Waiiau Stream and Pearl Harbor on May 14, 1996. Among other things, the Consent Decree provides that Chevron will pay a \$100,000 penalty to the State of Hawai'i and will pay approximately \$2.250 million in natural resources damage and restoration projects. **The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, District of Hawai'i, Suite 6100, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu.** Comments on the proposed consent decree will be received by the Department of Justice for thirty-days from June 24, 1999 (see, 64 F.R. 33909, June 24, 1999, for additional details).

Safe Harbor and Candidate Conservation Agreements

Recognizing that many endangered and threatened species occur on privately-owned lands, and that working with landowners is critical to the recovery of many vulnerable species, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service ("agencies") have published joint final policies for "Safe Harbor" and "Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances" under the Endangered Species Act.

The "Safe Harbor" policy provides incentives for

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private and other non-Federal property owners to restore, enhance, or maintain habitats for listed species. Under the policy, the agencies provide participating landowners with technical assistance and assurances that additional land, water, and/or natural resource use restrictions will not be imposed as a result of voluntary conservation actions that benefit or attract listed species. At the end of a "Safe Harbor" agreement, the landowner would be allowed to return the property to its original "baseline" condition.

The final "Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances" (CCAA) policy (for species that are not yet listed as endangered or threatened, but are considered to be in decline and could be listed in the future) identifies actions that the landowner commits to take to conserve declining

species. They may include habitat protection, management, or restoration actions such as fencing, stream rehabilitation, controlled burns, or species reintroduction. Landowners who participate in this program will receive assurances from the agencies that no additional conservation measures above and beyond those contained in the CCAA will be required and that no additional land, water, or resource-use restrictions will be imposed upon them should the species become listed in the future.

Currently there are more than 35 "Safe Harbor" agreements nationwide (including protection of endangered shorebirds in Hawai'i), encompassing more than one million acres. (From June 18, 1999, Press Release, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Call Cindy Hoffman at (202) 208-5634 for additional information).

HELP KEEP HAWAII'S WATER CLEAN

The State Department of Health (DoH) and Office of Planning (OP) are pleased to invite you to a series of statewide informational meetings to discuss the update of Hawaii's Nonpoint Source Water Pollution Management Plan. In the plan, the State has set long-term goals for the control of polluted runoff (or what is called nonpoint source pollution). The plan also discusses the State's strategies to meet the goals. If clean waters are important to you, your lifestyle, or your business, the State's efforts to control polluted runoff may be of interest to you. DoH and OP encourage your participation and your comments.

Schedule of Meetings

- Lanai:** 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Monday, July 12, 1999
Lanai Senior Center, Lanai City
- Molokai:** 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 13, 1999
Kaunakakai Elementary School Cafeteria
30 Ailoa Street, Kaunakakai
- Maui:** 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 14, 1999
Kalani Pakui Building, Planning Department
Conference Room
250 South High Street, Wailuku
- Oahu:** 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Thursday, July 15, 1999
City & County of Honolulu Personnel
Conference Room
550 South King Street, Honolulu
- Kauai:** 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 20, 1999
Department of Health Conference Room
3040 Umi Street, Lihue
- Hilo:** 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 21, 1999
Environmental Health Facility Conference
Room, 1582 Kamehameha Avenue, Hilo

Kailua-Kona: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 1999
Kealakehe Intermediate School Cafeteria
74-5062 Onipa'a Street, Kailua-Kona

Please submit your written comments on the plan by July 30, 1999. To obtain a copy of the revised plan, ask questions, or provide comments, kindly contact:

Randall Rush, Coordinator
Polluted Runoff Control Program
Department of Health
919 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 301
Honolulu, HI 96814
Tel: (808) 586-4309
e-mail: rrush@eha.health.state.hi.us

Steve Olive
Coastal Zone Management
Office of Planning
P.O. Box 2359
Honolulu, HI 96804
Tel: (808) 587-2877
e-mail: solive@dbedt.hawaii.gov

Any person with a hearing impairment desiring to attend the meeting may request the assistance of a sign language interpreter, provided such a request is made at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled meeting. This request may be made in writing or by calling the Polluted Runoff Control Program at the Clean Water Branch, 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 301, Honolulu, HI 96814 or telephone (808) 586-4309.