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New Resort Near Waimea, Kauai

An EIS preparation notice has been submitted for a 250-unit resort on a 170-acre coastal parcel owned by the Robinson family at Makaweli (a half mile southeast of Waimea) on Kauai. Proposed are small (400 square foot) cottages and duplexes with no telephones, TVs or kitchens. The complex will also include 2 restaurants, a snack bar, fitness center/beach club, ball courts, amphitheater, an internal driveway and 465 parking spaces. A wastewater system will be installed and reclaimed water will be used for irrigation. The Robinson family home, constructed in 1865, will house a museum, reception area, offices and a meeting room. Centrally located on the

property is a spring-fed 6.5 acre fishpond, which will be restored by cleaning and desilting.

The property's former use included grazing cows and bulls. In addition to the house there is an historic Portuguese oven, still in good condition. The makai edge of the property is bounded by a crescent-shaped ribbon beach, and eastern edge of the property is bounded by Aakukui Stream, near Infinity's surf site.

Several neighborhood meetings have been held on the development. The project will require a county general plan amendment and a state land use boundary amendment. See page 13 for further information.

DOH Seeks Comments on Waikiki Natatorium Project

The City and County of Honolulu is applying for a water quality certification from the State Department of Health to restore the Waikiki War Memorial Park and Natatorium. The following activities may impact the water quality of the adjacent marine waters: 1) groins construction; 2) seawall and pool deck modification/restoration; 3) drainage outlet renovation; and 4) dredging/relining of the pool bottom.

Persons wishing to comment or request a public hearing should contact Alec Wong, Clean Water Branch at 586-4309. The deadline for comments is August 5, 1999.

DOT Withdraws Molokai Airport FONSI

The State Department of Transportation, Airports Division has withdrawn the finding of no significant impact determination for the Molokai Airport Master Plan Phase 1 Improvements. See page 9.

Volunteers are Needed for Ocean and Beach Clean-up

Volunteers are needed for "Get the Drift & Bag It!", Hawaii's all-volunteer ocean and beach clean-up day. This year, clean-up is set for Saturday, September 18th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at sites throughout the state. In addition to removing debris from shorelines, beaches, and waterways, volunteers will collect valuable information on the amount and types of debris, and help to educate people on the hazards of marine debris. See page 9.

New Saddle Road Link to Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway

The Federal Highways Administration plans to prepare an EIS for a new two-lane road to link the Saddle Road's preferred W3 alignment with Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway near 'Anaeho'omalu Bay. The State Department of Transportation is expected to issue an EISPN soon. For more information, please see federal notices on page 19.

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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Keaahala Road Widening Project

District: Koolaupoko
TMK: 4-5-23
Applicant: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Craig Watanabe (692-7551)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Akinaka & Associates, Ltd.
250 North Beretania Street, Suite 300
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Sheldon Yamasato (536-7721)

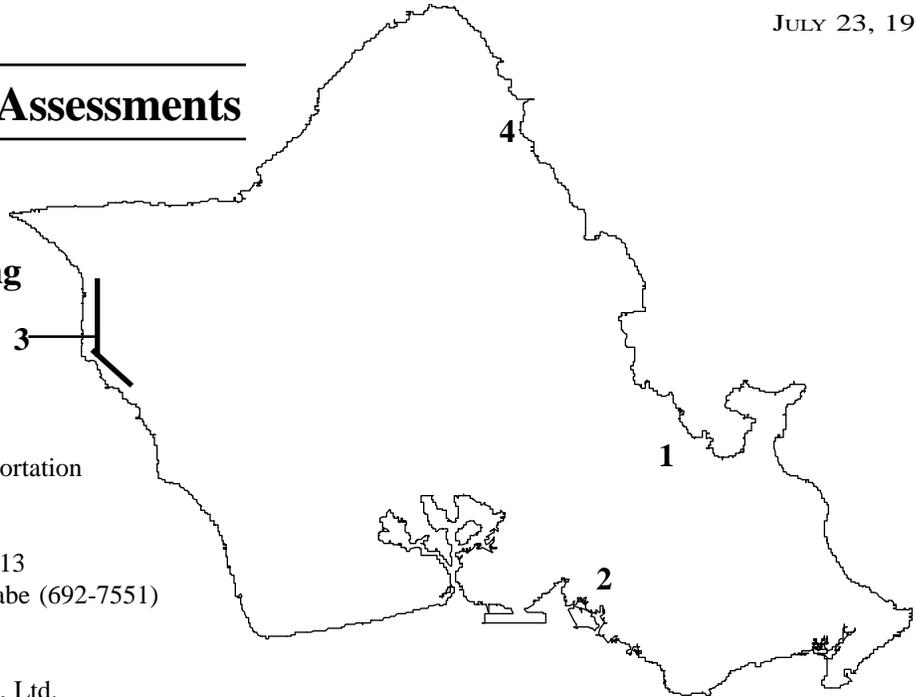
Public Comment

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Department of Army, CZM consistency determination, noise, NPDES, WQC

The State Department of Transportation, Highways Division proposes to widen approximately 0.21 miles of the existing Keaahala Road from Kahekili Highway to Pookela Street to accommodate the existing and future traffic demands of the surrounding area in Kaneohe, Oahu, Hawaii. The proposed improvements include the widening of the existing roadway from two lanes to three lanes for most of the improved roadway and from three lanes to four lanes at the intersection of Keaahala Road and Kahekili Highway. Other physical improvements include new concrete retaining walls; and the relocation of overhead utilities.

The proposed project is expected to generate short term impacts that are typical of construction activities including traffic congestion, construction noise, and dust emissions. Clearing and grading activities are also expected to temporarily affect the water quality around the project site. However, these short-term impacts will be mitigated through compliance with applicable regulations/rules and permit conditions, and through the implementation of an approved best management



practices plan. In the long term, the proposed project will improve traffic flow along Keaahala Road and benefit the various facilities at the mauka end of the roadway in addition to the Castle Hills subdivision.



(2) Keola Elderly Housing Project

District: Honolulu
TMK: Portion of 1-6-09:01 and portion of roadway reserve lot (no TMK number)
Applicant: Network Enterprises Housing Development Corporation
2828 Paa Street, Suite 3090
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819
Contact: Rene Berthiaume (839-7704)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
1151 Punchbowl Street, Rom 130
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Charlene Unoki (587-0433)

Consultant: PlanPacific, Inc.
737 Bishop Street, Suite 1520
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Dina Wong (521-9418 x 14)

Public Comment

Deadline: August 23, 1999

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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: Zoning & subdivision exemptions (201G, HRS)

Network Enterprises Housing Development Corporation (Network), a private non-profit housing corporation, proposes to develop and build a rental housing facility for low income elderly residents at Kalaepohaku, Kapalama, City and County of Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii. This project, to be called "Keola Elderly Housing Project", is being planned for the makai-ewa corner of the Lanakila Avenue and Keola Road intersection on a site which measures 29,384 square feet in size. The proposed site sits on land owned by the State of Hawaii, consisting of Tax Map Key (TMK) 1-6-09: 01 and an unused roadway reserve lot (no TMK number). Both lots are vacant and unencumbered. The housing site will be created by consolidating portions of TMK 1-6-09:01 and the abutting roadway reserve.

Network proposes to construct a 42-unit rental housing facility with 27 studios and 15 one-bedroom units. Building A will have three floors and will be situated on the ewa end of the lot. Building B, located on the diamond head end of the lot, will have two floors with parking below. Building A and Building B will be connected by a third building housing a meeting room, office, mechanical room, restroom, mail room, elevator, and lobby. The project will have landscaped gardens on both the mauka and makai sides of the site. The proposed project will have a gross building area of approximately 21,500 square feet plus 2,900 square feet of covered parking.

Vehicular access to and from the project site will be from Lanakila Avenue, a major mauka-makai roadway in Kapalama. A surface parking lot with 20 spaces plus a drop-off/loading area will be located on the makai-diamond head corner of the site. A portion of the parking lot will be located beneath Building B.

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(3) AT&T Cable Project (Makaha to Keawaula)

District: Waianae

TMK: 8-4, 8-1
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)

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

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Building, possible SSV, DOT route approval, State Parks right-of-entry

AT&T is planning to install an underground fiberoptic cable in the Farrington Highway right-of-way and existing utilities easements to connect their Makaha Cable Station to their Keawaula Cable Station in the Waianae District. The distance between the Makaha and Keawaula Cable Stations is approximately 5.7 miles. At the Makaha Cable Station, the cable will connect to an existing manhole located on the makai side of Farrington Highway. The cable will then be pulled through an existing spare duct to connect to the cable station. At the Keawaula Cable Station, an existing spare duct from Farrington Highway to the cable station will also be used to house the new fiberoptic cable. Thus, no trenching will be needed for these two sections of the alignment. All other sections of the alignment will be constructed within the State highway right-of-way or existing utilities easements.

Construction of this system will typically require a 2-foot wide trench that is approximately 4 feet deep. Within the trench, a 5-inch conduit containing four 1-1/2-inch inner ducts will be buried at a minimum depth of four feet and concrete encased. AT&T will utilize one of the four inner ducts to pull one fiberoptic cable. The remaining three ducts will be spares.

The project will not have long-term adverse impacts. The cable alignment area does not contain any rare or endangered plant or animal species; the project will not adversely affect population growth, social-economic trends, or land uses; and the entire alignment has been previously disturbed by construction activities for the highway and other underground utilities systems. Long-term positive impacts will be with upgraded services for AT&T customers.

Although there were no archaeological sites of significance along the cable route, there are culturally sensitive areas where there is a probability of subsurface archaeological resources. These areas occur along the proposed route. Thus, an archaeologist will be on site to monitor activities in the event that archaeological resources are uncovered.

Short-term impacts will be related to construction operations. During construction of the project, a traffic control plan will be needed to facilitate traffic movement. Noise and air quality impacts will be mitigated through the implementation of noise and air pollution procedures regulated by the State and County. Short-term direct and indirect construction jobs will be generated during the construction of the project.



(4) Hauula Baseyard Improvements (Special Management Area)

District: Koolauloa
TMK: 5-4-2:12
Applicant: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Peter Chan (837-8046)

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)
Consultant: Gerald Park Urban Planner (942-7484)
1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 876
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: SMUP, ROW, pollution control variance, building, grading, grubbing, stockpiling

The State Department of Transportation, Highways Division, is proposing to demolish the existing structures at the Hauula Baseyard. Proposed construction at the site include the following:

1. A 465 square-foot office building;
2. A 1,750 square-foot equipment shed;
3. An open material storage area enclosed by a 5-foot high concrete masonry unit wall;

4. A parking lot;
5. An 8-foot high chain-link perimeter fence topped with a barbed wire fence; and
6. A 20-foot wide driveway secured by a gate.

A septic tank system will be used for wastewater disposal. Solids will be collected in a 750-gallon precast concrete septic tank and effluent disposed of in a 200 square-foot leach field.

Construction is projected to commence during the last quarter of this year. The project should be completed within 8 months of the starting date.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



Home Port Facilities for Three Nimitz-Class Nuclear Powered Aircraft Carriers (FEIS)

The Department of the Navy has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for Developing Home Port Facilities for Three NIMITZ-Class Nuclear Powered Aircraft Carriers in Support of the United States Pacific Fleet. The Notice of Availability (NOA) for the FEIS will be published in the Federal Register on July 9, 1999. Federal, state, local governments, as well as interested individuals and organizations, are invited to provide written comments on the FEIS. The public comment period of 45 days will end on August 23, 1999. There will be no public hearing on the FEIS.

The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) analyzes potential environmental impacts resulting from constructing and operating the facilities and infrastructure needed to support the homeporting for three NIMITZ-class nuclear-powered aircraft carriers (CVNs) within the U.S. Pacific fleet at four facility concentrations: (1) San Diego, California; (2) Bremerton, Washington; (3) Everett, Washington; and (4) Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

The Navy proposes to construct and operate the appropriate facility and infrastructure needed to support the homeporting of three CVNs in the Pacific Fleet. Two CVNs will join the U.S. Pacific Fleet, replacing two conventionally powered aircraft carriers (CVs) homeported at Naval Air

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Station North Island (NASNI) in the Naval Complex San Diego, California. The current location of a third CVN at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Everett also will be reevaluated in order to increase efficiency of support infrastructure, maintenance and repair capabilities, and to enhance crew quality of life.

The need for the proposed action is the lack of acceptable CVN home port facilities and infrastructure in the U.S. Fleet area of responsibility (AOR). The purpose of the proposed action is to provide support facilities and infrastructure for the selected home port locations for the three CVNs (two new, and one currently at NAVSTA Everett) in the U.S. Pacific Fleet.

The Navy currently prefers Alternative Two, which would provide facilities and infrastructure to home port two additional CVNs at NASNI (for a total of three CVNs), home port a total of two CVNs in the Pacific Northwest (one at PSNS and one at NAVSTA Everett), and would not have any CVNs at Pearl Harbor Naval Complex. Alternative Two would result in significant but mitigable impacts on marine biological resources at NASNI and PSNS. All other environmental impacts associated with Alternative Two would be less than significant.

No decision on the proposed action will be made until the National Environmental Policy Act process has been completed and the Secretary of the Navy, or a designated representative, releases the Record of Decision. The FEIS includes resolution of written and oral comments received during the public comment period (August 28, 1998 until November 12, 1998) on the DEIS.

The FEIS has been distributed to various federal, state, and local agencies, elected officials, special interest groups, individuals, and public libraries. The FEIS is available for public review at the following libraries:

- Coronado Public Library, 640 Orange Ave., Coronado, CA.
- San Diego Library (Science & Industry Section), 820 E Street, San Diego, CA.
- Hawaii State Library, 478 South King Street, Honolulu, HI.
- Aiea Public Library, 99-143 Moanalua Road, Aiea, HI.
- Pearl City Public Library, 1138 Waimano Home Road, Pearl City, HI.
- Ewa Beach Public and School Library, 91-950 North Road, Ewa Beach, HI.
- Everett Library, 2702 Hoyt, Everett, WA.
- Kitsap Reg. Library, 1301 Sylvan Way, Bremerton, WA.
- Sno-IsL Library System, 7312 35th Ave., Marysville, WA.

Please send your comments to Bob Hexom (Code 4PLR.BH), Southwest Division, Naval Facilities Engineering

Command, 1220 Pacific Highway, San Diego, California 92132, fax (619) 532-1096 or e-mail address at CVN_HOMEPORTING@efds.navfac.navy.mil. For additional information or to leave a message call 1-888-428-6440. Written comments must be postmarked by August 23, 1999.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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H-1 Widening Westbound, Kaonohi Street to Waiau Interchange

Applicant: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
600 Kapiolani Boulevard, 3rd Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Ron Tsuzuki (587-1830)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authorities: 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)

Public Comment

Deadline: August 9, 1999

Draft Environmental Impact Statements

Oahu Commercial Harbors 2020 Master Plan

Applicant: Department 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

Public Comment

Deadline: August 23, 1999



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(1) Harbor Village

District: Lahaina
TMK: 4-6-007:03, 07, 010
Applicant: JDI Limited Partners
721 Wainee Street, Suite 201
Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii 96761
Contact: Terry Lee or Steve Gatchel (661-8380)

Approving Agency/Accepting

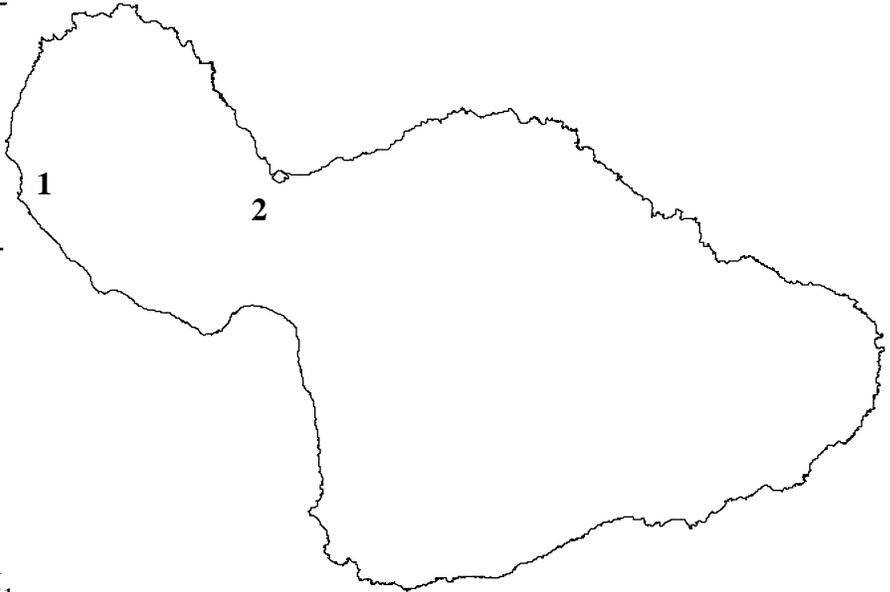
Authority: County of Maui, Department of Planning
250 S. High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Contact: Ann Cua (243-7735)

Consultant: Chris Hart & Partners
Landscape Architecture and Planning
1955 Main Street, Suite 200
Wailuku HI 96793
Contact: Christopher Hart (242-1955)

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: SMA, Historic District, Building

The applicants request a Special Management Area (SMA) Permit, Historic District Approval, and Off-site Parking Approval for Harbor Village, a proposed commercial and restaurant building with related parking and landscape improvements at 576 Front Street in Lahaina, Maui. On TMK 4-6-07:03 (Parcel 3) they propose to build an approximately 24,000-square-foot restaurant and retail structure. Two adjoining parcels, 7 and 10, will be developed for parking to accommodate 139 cars. This application includes all three parcels. The Harbor Village project is located at the south end of Lahaina Town's Commercial District on the mauka (east) side of Front Street, just south of Prison Street. Parcel 3 is



designated as Business/Commercial on the West Maui Community Plan and is zoned Historic District No. 2 which allows business use.

The proposed action will involve the demolition and removal of the two existing structures on Parcel 3, and construction of a two-story building complex situated along a north-south axis. The envisioned tenant mix includes 10 first floor retail shops and stores, with two restaurants on the second floor. Parcels 7 and 10 will be improved for parking. The proposed improvements include clearing and grubbing, grading, paving, landscaping and lighting. The off-site parking area will be accessed through the existing County parking lot.

The project's architectural style is compatible with existing buildings in Lahaina and conforms to the detailing suggested in the Lahaina Style Book, with an interior courtyard, and wood or stucco facades and balconies.

Landscaping amenities will consist of mature palm trees and other ground cover, with wood walkways and wooden rope-wrapped bollards, which will impart the theme of the project, "Harbor Village." A portion of the south end of the structure's first floor will be dedicated to the Friends of Moku`ula and Hui `O Wa`a Kaulua, to be used as a pictorial museum for interpretive historic and cultural displays.

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(2) Maui Memorial Medical Center Expansion Improvements

District: Wailuku
TMK: 3-8-46:13 and por. 29
Applicant: Hawaii Health Systems Corporation
3675 Kilauea Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816
Contact: Thomas Driskell, Jr. (733-4032)

Approving Agency/Accepting

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

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Height variance and construction permits

Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC), a State agency and public benefit corporation, is proposing to

implement improvements to the existing Maui Memorial Medical Center (MMMC), a community based, acute care facility licensed for 194 beds.

Access to MMMC is provided by Mahalani Street, a two-lane County roadway.

The proposed expansion improvements include a new helistop, a new six-level building addition, a 70-stall, on-grade parking area expansion, and a new three-level parking structure with 225 stalls. The new building addition will provide for a courtyard and terrace; mechanical and electrical equipment storage; lobby, elevator, and waiting area improvements; spaces for auxiliary uses and the future expansion of services; shell space for a future Disaster Relief Center and for the future relocation of the Morgue, as well as tenant improvements for the interim use of this shell space by the Biomed Department. Other proposed improvements include a surgery support addition and a 16-bed Intensive Care Unit (ICU), as well as Admitting, Surgi-Center, Physical Therapy and Outpatient Therapy (PT/OT) facilities.

The medical center's existing main building will also be repainted and its finishes upgraded. Other improvements



Free A to Z "Yellow" Directory of Environmental Services

Managing wastes, whether hazardous or not, can be time consuming and confusing. The Department of Health has prepared a directory of companies intended to help residents and businesses with waste management responsibilities.

The categories of waste management services include everything from antifreeze recycling to waste minimization consulting. Approximately 800 companies are listed in this directory.

The following is a partial listing of the categories of waste management services covered:

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| 1) Asbestos removal | 9) Lead Paint Removal |
| 2) Battery Recycling | 10) PCB Waste Management |
| 3) Bioremediation | 11) Pollution Prevention Consulting |
| 4) Disposal Centers | 12) Sustainable Development and Design |
| 5) Dry Cleaner Waste Handling | 13) Tire Recycling |
| 6) Fluorescent Lamp Handling | 14) Toner Cartridge Recycling |
| 7) Glass Recycling | 15) Used Oil Recyclers |
| 8) Hazardous Waste Disposal | 16) Xeriscape Consulting |

To obtain a free copy, please call Marlyn Aguilar, Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch at 586-4226.

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~ Molokai Baseyard

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.

Public Comment

Deadline: August 9, 1999

Withdrawal

~ Molokai Airport Master Plan Phase I Improvements

The State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, Airports Division has withdrawn the FONSI determination for the Molokai Airport Master Plan Phase I Improvements pursuant to the Department of Health, Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) section 11-200-11.2(d). For further information, please call 838-8812.



Volunteers Needed for Annual "Get the Drift & Bag It!" in September

Volunteers are needed for Get the Drift & Bag It!, Hawaii's all-volunteer ocean and beach clean-up day. This year, clean-up is set for Saturday, September 18th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at sites throughout the state. In addition to removing debris from shorelines, beaches, and waterways, volunteers will collect valuable information on the amount and types of debris, and help to educate people on the hazards of marine debris.

Each year, thousands of sea turtles, whales, seals, and birds die from becoming entangled in or ingesting abandoned fishing gear and other discarded debris. Debris is also a menace to ships, boats, and other marine vessels due to clogging of intake valves and tangling in propellers.

Get the Drift & Bag It!, which is part of the Center for Marine Conservation's International Coastal Global Cleanup, is a community effort to address the problem of marine debris.

Last year, almost 4,300 Hawaii volunteers gathered at 63 sites to participate in this worthy event. Volunteers cleaned almost 150 miles, and collected 227,659 pounds of debris from land and from underwater. Among the most common trash items picked up were 53,892 cigarette butts, 19,022 pieces of plastic, and 10,665 beverage bottles.

Volunteers are urged to sign up to select a site for cleanup or to help tabulate the debris that have been collected by calling:

Oahu	956-2872
Maui County	877-2524
Hawaii County	961-8431
Kauai County	241-6240

Get the Drift & Bag It! is coordinated by the UH Sea Grant Program and the DBEDT Coastal Zone Management Program.

To volunteer your time or for more information on Get the Drift & Bag It!, please call Chris Woolaway, Coordinator, UH Sea Grant, (808) 956-2872.

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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

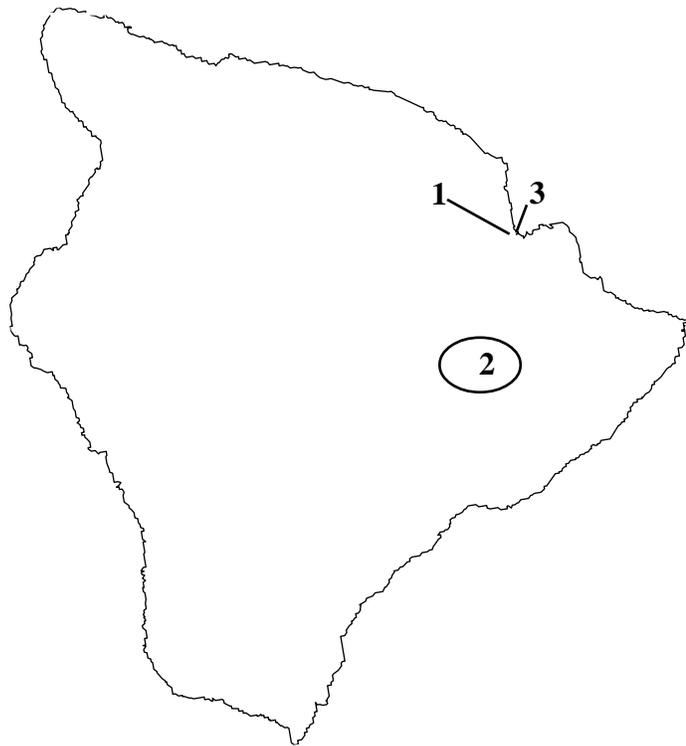
Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Sidney Fuke, Planning Consultant
100 Pauahi Street, Suite 212
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Sidney Fuke (969-1522)

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
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) 'Ola'a-Kilauea Management Area Natural Resources Management Plan

District: Puna, South Hilo, and Kau
TMK: 2-4-08-25, 2-4-09-8, 1-9-01-7, and 9-9-01-7
Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
P.O. Box 4849
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Bill Stormont (974-4221)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Contact: Michael Buck (587-0166)

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: CDUP

This Final Environmental Assessment is for the project as described in a Draft Environmental Assessment (published in the November 23, 1998 OEQC *Environmental Notice*) as well as a Supplemental Draft Environmental Assessment (published in the April 8, 1999 OEQC *Environmental Notice*).

In an effort to better protect native biological resources, landowners and other interested parties established a partnership to cooperatively manage the 'Ola'a - Kilauea Management Area. The 'Ola'a - Kilauea Management Area includes lands owned or controlled by the Hawai'i Department of Public Safety's Kulani Correctional Facility, the Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources Pu'u Maka'ala Natural Area Reserve, the 'Ola'a Tract of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, and Kilauea Forest owned by Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estate.

The Natural Resources Management Plan presents background information on the project area's ecological setting, and provides both an overview of the management and research programs as well as more detailed project statements that identify current and proposed projects. The management and research programs outlined in the plan focus on the following areas:

-- Removing or reducing impacts from feral animals, alien plants and non-native predators.

-- Restoring native habitat and species to enhance diversity and stability of native ecosystems.

-- Monitoring the response of native and alien species to management and using the results of monitoring to further refine management and research strategies.

-- Providing information and education to the general public and work training and education to Kulani Correctional Facility inmates.



(3) Waiakea Peninsula Improvements

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-1-03:1, 2, 16, 19, 22, 23, 25
Applicant: County of Hawaii
Department of Parks & Recreation
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Contact: Glenn Miyao (961-8311)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Roy Takemoto, Land Use Consultant
P.O. Box 10217
Hilo, Hawaii 96721
Contact: Roy Takemoto (961-2082)

Public Challenge

Deadline: August 23, 1999
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Army, SMA, plan approval

The County of Hawaii Department of Parks and Recreation proposes improvements to Liliuokalani Gardens, Coconut Island, and vacant land north of Nihon Restaurant. The improvements consist of ADA-compatible pathways, interior restroom renovations to ADA standards, parking improvements, gateway entries to Liliuokalani Gardens, and reconstruction of the Old Government Wharf makai of Liliuokalani Gardens into a scenic vantage point. Revisions to the plans have been made to comply with the State Historic Preservation Division's comments to ensure the proposed improvements are compatible with the historic/cultural values of Liliuokalani Gardens. The project site is within the VE special flood hazard area, and proposed improvements will comply with the requirements of the County Flood Control Code. The project will require a SMA Use Permit. The wharf reconstruction will require a Department of Army permit.

Hawaii Notices

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Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

► Kawaihae Harbor Pave Additional Barge Terminal Area

Applicant: Department of Transportation
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5097
Contact: Napoleon Agraan (587-1956)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: August 9, 1999

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



Sustainable Development Challenge Grant Request for Proposals, FY 99/00

Published in the Federal Register Notice July 1, 1999
www.epa.gov/ecocommunity
Region 9 contact: Nova Blazej (415)744-2089

The SDCG program challenges communities to invest in a sustainable future that links: 1) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION; 2) ECONOMIC PROSPERITY; 3) COMMUNITY WELL-BEING. Strong applications will address ALL THREE of these components of sustainability.

This grant program provides an opportunity to develop place-based approaches to problem solving that can be replicated in other communities. The SDCG program strongly encourages community members, businesses and government entities to work cooperatively to develop flexible, locally-oriented approaches that link place-based environmental management and quality of life activities with sustainable development and revitalization.

Additional Information

Due Date: September 29, 1999
Amt. Available: \$9.4 million nationally
Funding Categories: 1) \$30,000-\$100,000 and 2) \$100,001-\$250,000
Match: 20% in non-federal sources (waived for Pacific Island Territories)
Eligible Applicants: non-profits, educational institutions, tribes, territories, state, county, regional, local agencies and governments
Web Site: www.epa.gov/ecocommunity

The RFP is posted at this site, as well as a list of previously funded projects.

Potential Project Types: This list is not exhaustive, and projects may fall into several project types.

- comprehensive planning for sustainable growth
- comprehensive resource management and restoration
- environment-based tourism
- green business incentives
- sustainability indicators
- sustainable agriculture
- sustainable forestry
- green building design
- community revitalization and redevelopment
- sustainability education
- community/local govt. tools for sustainability
- sustainable energy systems
- aquaculture
- materials reuse

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices

(1) Kapalawai Resort

District: Waimea
TMK: 1-7-5:01
Applicant: Destination Villages Kauai, LLC
4439 Via Abrigada
Santa Barbara, CA 93110
Contact: Lewis Geysler (805-687-8788)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: County of Kauai, Planning Department
4444 Rice Street, Suite 473
Lihue, Hawaii 96766
Contact: Keith Nitta (241-6677)

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

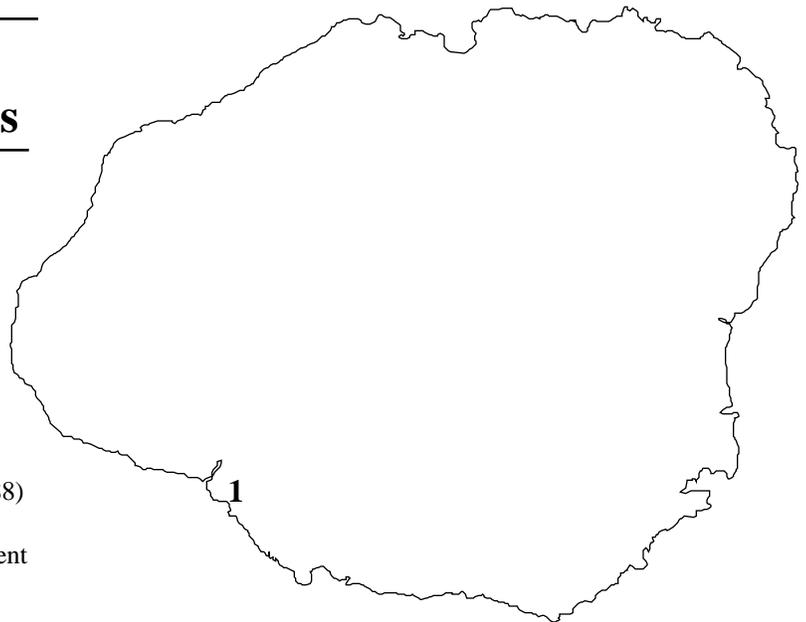
Public Comment

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

Permits Required: State land use, SMP, zoning amendment, county GP

The 170-acre Kapalawai property is located in the *ahupua'a* of Makaweli, in the judicial district of Waimea, on the west side of the island of Kauai, Hawaii. The property is located on a gently sloped piece of land between the shoreline and Kaunualii Highway, the respective southern and northern boundaries of the project site. Aakukui Stream marks the eastern boundary of the property, while agricultural lands are located to the west. The project site is owned in portion by three entities: (1) Gay & Robinson, Inc.; (2) Robinson Family Partners (RFP); and (3) Bruce Robinson. Lease of the property is held by Destination Villages Kauai, LLC (DVK), represented by its President, Lewis Geysler.

The proposed resort includes 250 visitor units (or cottages) that are dispersed throughout the project site, resulting in an overall density of 1.5 units per acre. Approximately 164 of the units will be free-standing and 86 units will



be duplex units. Each of the single-story cottages will be about 400 square feet in size, with a 200 square foot deck. No cooking facilities, phones, or televisions will be provided for the units.

A main pedestrian arterial, which will meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, will connect cottages with adjacent parking areas and activity centers.

One of the focal points for the proposed resort will be the former Robinson Family residence. The general plan for the residence is to develop the main house and attached structures as a greeting space and as a museum, administration, and meeting room area.

Amenities provided at the resort will include: Two restaurants; snackbar; museum (in the former family residence); bar/lounge (in the former family residence); three swimming pools; a fitness center/beach club; sport courts (tennis, basketball, volleyball, badminton); and amphitheater.

A wastewater treatment plant is proposed to handle all wastewater generated by the project, and will be located on the northern portion of the property, between the main house and Kaunualii Highway.

In addition, a second focal point for the project will be the preservation of a 6.5-acre fishpond located in the central portion of the property. Silt and noxious vegetation will be removed from the pond, re-establishing its open water character.

Shoreline Notices

JULY 23, 1999

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-722	07/07/99	Lots 1000 and 1001, Ld Ct App 677, Kailua and Kaneohe, Koolaupoko, Oahu (145 & 151 Kailuana Loop)	Morris Stoebner for Morris Stoebner	4-3-83:15 & 16
KA-136	06/28/99	Por of State of Hawaii Beach Reserve, Ld Ct App 1166 (Map 6), Waipouli, Puna, Kauai (4-484 Kuhio Highway)	Wagner Engineering Services, Inc. for Kauai Coast Resort, L.P.	4-3-02:Por. 1

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-720	Certified 07/13/99	Makai Side of Kamehameha Highway at Punaluu Stream, Haleaha, Koolauloa, Oahu (Kamehameha Highway, Punaluu)	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc. for State of Hawaii	5-3-02 and 5-3-05
MA-209	Certified 07/13/99	Lot 23 of the Sunset Beach Lots Subdiv., Makaehu, Kuau, Hamakuapoko, Makawao, Maui (129 Aleiki Place)	Akamai Land Surveying, Inc. for Frank Jacintho	2-6-12:29



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 & Tourism
P.O. Box 2359
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804
Or, fax comments to the CZM Program at 587-2899.

🦋 (1) Install Mediterranean Mooring Buoys, Marine Corps Community Services Marina, MCBH Kaneohe Bay, Oahu

Federal Action: Direct Federal Activity
Federal Agency: U.S. Marine Corps
Contact: Jeff Larson, 257-6920, x234
Location: MCBH Kaneohe Bay, Oahu
Proposed Action:

Install seven mooring buoys and anchors at the Marine Corps Community Services Marina, MCBH Kaneohe Bay, Oahu. The U.S. Marine Corps has filed a CZM federal consistency negative determination that the project will not affect Hawaii's CZM area.

🦋 (2) Maintenance Dredging of Lydgate Park Ponds, Wailua, Kauai

Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit
Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Applicant: County of Kauai Department of Public Works
Contact: Russel Sugano, (808) 241-6631
Location: Lydgate Park, Wailua, Kauai
TMK: (4th) 3-9-6
Proposed Action:

Maintenance dredge about 300 cubic yards of sand from the keiki and adult ponds. The maintenance work

will return the ponds to their original depth and will enhance the recreational use of the park.

Comments Due: August 6, 1999

🦋 (3) Kuhio Beach Improvements, Waikiki, Oahu

Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit
Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Applicant: Department of Land & Natural Resources, Division of Boating & Ocean Recreation
Consultant: Edward K. Noda & Associates, Inc.
Contact: Elaine E. Tamaye, 591-8553
Location: Kuhio Beach, Waikiki, Oahu
TMK: 2-6-1: 19
Proposed Action:

Construct improvements to Kuhio Beach by restoring and widening the beach area located within the offshore crib wall system and reconstructing the offshore walls to make it safer and to improve the stability of the beach. Three sections of the crib wall will be reconstructed as breakwater segments using basalt stones in a rubble mound construction with gaps between the breakwater segments. The dry beach will be replenished from an existing area of about one-acre to a new beach area of about 2.5 acres. Sand contained within the crib wall enclosure will be graded to restore the beach and an additional 10,000-20,000 cubic yards of sand will be placed on the beach from either deposits offshore of Kuhio Beach or a suitable land-based source.

Comments Due: August 6, 1999

🦋 (4) Primary Urban Corridor Transportation Investment Study

Federal Action: Federal Funds - Urban Mass Transportation Capital Improvement Grant
Federal Agency: Federal Transit Administration
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu Department of Transportation Services
Contact: Phyllis Kurio, 527-6894
Location: Ewa to Kahala, Oahu
Proposed Action:

Request federal funds to conduct a major transportation investment study for the Primary Urban Corridor extending from Ewa to Kahala, Oahu. The Study is examining alternatives for improved transit services within the study area as part of an island-wide integrated transportation system.

Comments Due: August 6, 1999

Alien Species Permits

JULY 23, 1999

Alien Species Importation

Before most alien organisms can be brought into Hawaii they must receive a permit from the Board of agriculture. The application is first reviewed by experts in biology and heard in a public meeting of the Committee on Plants and Animals. To learn more about these permit applications, interested parties are encouraged to contact:

Plant Quarantine Branch
Hawaii Department of Agriculture
701 Ilalo St.
Honolulu, HI 96813
Ph. 586-0846

The following import application is now being reviewed by the Hawaii Department of Agriculture.

African Crowned Crane, *Balearica pavonia* (*requorum*)

Request to: (1) Allow the transfer of the African Crowned crane, *Balearica pavonia* (*requorum*), from the Hilton Waikoloa Village to Ann and Norm Goody for propagation, and to (2) establish permit conditions for the transfer of the African Crowned Crane for propagation.

Purpose: To establish a captive-breeding program by propagating the adult African Crowned Cranes to produce progeny, with the first two chicks returned to the Hilton Waikoloa Village under a transfer permit at a zoological park setting.

ATTENTION OEQC GUIDEBOOK USERS

If you plan to make a submission to OEQC, please note: *the City & County of Honolulu has recently reorganized and some of the agency names and functions have changed.* Some agencies were merged, others dissolved. Check the list below and make corrections to the document distribution list in your guidebook. The Mayor's Office of Information (523-4385) can supply correct addresses, phone numbers and current directors names.

Former Name

New Name

Board of Water Supply	No change
Building Department	Department of Design and Construction
Department of Community & Social Resources	Department of Community Services
Department of Housing & Community Development	Dissolved
Department of Land Utilization	Department of Planning & Permitting
Department of Parks & Recreation	Department of Parks & Recreation Services
Department of Personnel	Department of Human Resources
Planning Department	Department of Planning & Permitting
Department of Public Works	Department of Facility Maintenance
Department of Transportation Services	No change
Department of Wastewater Management	Department of Environmental Services
Honolulu Police Department	No change
Honolulu Fire Department	No change

Pollution Control Permits

JULY 23, 1999

Department of Health Permits

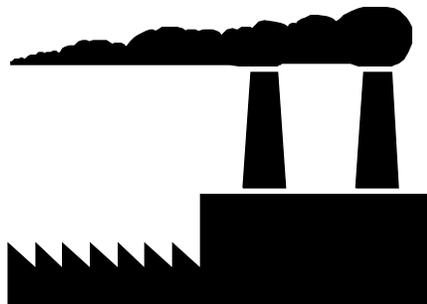
The following is a list of some pollution control permits currently being reviewed by the State Department of Health. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate branch or office of the Environmental Management Division at 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu.

Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Temporary Covered Source Permit	Hawaiian Dredging Construction Company CSP No.0029-03-CT	Located at Various Temporary Sites, State of Hawaii Initial Location Oahu Sugar Mill Site, Waipahu, Oahu	Comments Due: August 11, 1999	660 TPH Portable Crushing and Screening Plant with 810-HP Caterpillar diesel Engine/545 diesel Generator
CAB, 586-4200, Covered Source Permit	U.S. Navy PHNSY PHNC CSP No. 0105-01b-C	PHNSY PHNC, Pearl Harbor, Oahu	Comments Due: August 11, 1999	Two 9.87 MMBtu/hr Boilers and Two 3,500 Gallon Electrolyte Mixing Tanks
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Covered Source Permit	Ameron, Inc. dba Ameron HC&D CSP No. 0085-02-C	Camp 10 Quarry, Puunene, Maui	Comments Due: August 11, 1999	600 TPH Stone Processing Plant with 475 Hp Diesel Engine Generator, 300 TPH Concrete Crusher, and 120 CY/hr Concrete Batch Plant
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Noncovered Source Permit	Sunset Pet Memorial Services/Waste Abatement NSP No. 0011-02-N	16-643 Kipimana Street, Bldg.A, Unit 5, Shipman Business Park, Keaau, Hawaii	Hearing Date: August 12, 1999	200 lbs/hr Incinerator
Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch, 586-4226, Solid Waste Permit	West Coast Cleaning and Preservation, Inc., Hawaii	91-229 Komohana, Kapolei, 96707	Date Received: 4/28/99	Used Oil Transporter
SHWB, 586-4226, Solid Waste Permit	F.G. Landscape, Inc.	91-1041 Renton Rd., Ewa Beach, HI 96706	Date Received: 5/26/99	Greenwaste Composting
SHWB, 586-4226, Solid Waste Permit	Orchid Island Rubbish and Recycle	485 Railroad Ave., Hilo, HI 96720	Date Received: 6/14/99	Recycling/Processing of Used Cooking Oil

Pollution Control Permits (cont'd)

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Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Safe Drinking Water Branch, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Assoc. of Apartment Owners, UH-1330	Kona Palms Apartments 77-6311 Alii Drive, Kailua-Kona	n/a	Abandonment of one sewage injection well.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Kaupulehu Waste Water Co. UH-1927	Kaupulehu WWTP 100 Kaupulehu Dr., N. Kona	n/a	Permit renewal of 2 injection wells for sewage disposal.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Citizens Utilities Co. UO-1320	The Gas Company SNG Plant 91-390 Kauhi St., Kapolei	n/a	Permit renewal of one injection well for industrial wastewater disposal.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Robert N. Moran UO-1247	Sunset Vista 59-043 Huelo St., Sunset Beach	n/a	Permit renewal of 2 injection wells for sewage disposal.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Dept. of Transportation Airports Division UO-1448	Dillingham Airfield, Mokuleia	n/a	Permit renewal of 6 injection wells for surface drainage.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	US Coast Guard, UO-1995	US Coast Guard Air Station Barbers Point, Ewa	n/a	Permit transfer of 3 injection wells for surface drainage.
SDWB, 586-4258 UIC Permit	US Coast Guard, UO-2060	US Coast Guard Air Station Barbers Point, Ewa	n/a	Register one injection well for surface drainage.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	BC Oil Ventures, Inc., UO-2059	Former Texaco Facility No. 61-100-0180 47-515 Kamehameha Hwy., Kaneohe	n/a	Abandonment of one injection well for shop drainage.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	BC Oil Ventures, Inc., UO-2058	Former Texaco Facility, No. 61-100-0093, 87-1942 Farrington Hwy., Nanakuli	n/a	Abandonment of one injection well for shop drainage.



EIS - New 12 Mile Highway in Kona and Kohala to Link with Saddle Road

The Federal Highway Administration announced its notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement for a new arterial connector in the North Kona and South Kohala districts. The proposed highway will extend approximately 12 miles from the Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway (Route 19) near `Anaeho`omalu Bay to the junction of Mamalahoa Highway (Route 190) and the Saddle Road's W-3 Alignment (Route 200). The primary purpose of the project is to provide a more direct inter-regional route for motorists travelling between East and West Hawai'i on the existing Saddle Road. Secondary and supporting purposes to this primary goal are to: (1) improve the efficiency and operational level of traffic movement between East and West Hawai'i in general; (2) improve safety; and (3) support special traffic needs, including commercial truck traffic and military traffic utilizing Saddle Road. In addition to various alternative alignments, alternatives being considered include the "no project" alternative, and the widening of Waikoloa Road. *Note: The State Department of Transportation has informed OEQC that it will be issuing a Chapter 343, HRS, environmental impact statement preparation notice/final environmental assessment sometime soon.* For further information, call the Federal Highway Administration at 541-2700 (see 64 F.R. 37827, July 13, 1999).

Marine Mammals Permit

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has issued an amendment to Permit No. 926, issued to Dr. Robin Baird to conduct research activities on cetaceans which include photoidentification, observational studies, and suction cup tagging of several species in the waters of Washington, Southeast Alaska, Oregon, California and Hawai'i (see, 64 F.R. 37753, July 13, 1999, for more).

Laysan Finch, Nihoa Millerbird, and Nihoa Finch

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) announced that it received an endangered species permit application (No. TE-807073-0) from Dr. Sheila Conant to: take (capture, band, measure, draw blood, remove feathers and release) the Laysan finch (*Telespyza cantans*); take (capture, band, measure, draw blood, and release) the Nihoa millerbird (*Acrocephalus familiaris kingi*); and take (capture, band, measure, and

release) the Nihoa finch (*Telespyza ultima*) in conjunction with scientific studies throughout each species' range for the purpose of enhancing their survival. Some of these activities were previously authorized under subpermit CONAS-10 (see 64 F.R. 36032, July 2, 1999).

Water Quality Standards Proposed Rule

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to change the regulation that specifies when new and revised state and tribal water quality standards become effective for Clean Water Act purposes. Under the proposal, new and revised standards adopted after the effective date of the final rule will not be used for Clean Water Act purposes until approved by EPA, unless such new and revised standards are more stringent than the standards previously in effect. The proposal also provides that standards already in effect at the effective date of the new rule may be used for Clean Water Act purposes, whether or not approved by EPA, unless EPA subsequently disapproves them and replaces them with Federal water quality standards. EPA must receive comments on this proposed rule on or before **AUGUST 23, 1999**. For more information call Phil Woods of EPA Region IX at (415) 744-1997 (see 64 F.R. 37073, July 9, 1999, for details).

Hawaiian Waterbirds Draft Recovery Plan, 2nd Revision

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) announces the availability for public review of a draft revised Recovery Plan for Hawaiian Waterbirds, Second Revision. The four waterbirds covered by this plan, the Hawaiian duck (*Anas wyvilliana*), the Hawaiian coot or alae ke'oke'o (*Fulica alai*), the Hawaiian moorhen or alae 'ula (*Gallinula chloropus sandvicensis*), and the Hawaiian stilt or ae'o (*Himantopus mexicanus knudseni*), are all listed as endangered species by the Federal government and the State of Hawai'i. All four species require wetlands for their survival. These species are currently found on one or more of the eight main Hawaiian islands. None of these species are thought to number more than 2,500 individuals, with the exception of the Hawaiian coot which is estimated to range between 2,000 and 4,000 birds statewide. Comments on the draft revised recovery plan received by **SEPTEMBER 7, 1999**, will be considered by the FWS. For more information call Karen Rosa of FWS Honolulu at (808) 541-3441 (see 64 F.R. 37149, July 9, 1999).

