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Makaha Shoreline Wall

The City Department of Planning and Permitting is working on an after-the-fact shoreline setback hardship variance for a 30 inch high grouted lava rock wall topped with a 3.5 foot high open iron grillwork fence in Makaha, between Lahilahi Point and Makaha Beach Park. The wall is located 20 feet from and parallel to the certified shoreline. The applicant also seeks permission to extend the fences along the side property lines to the after-the-fact wall.

Although the EA does not have an historic shoreline analysis (with aerial photographs) of coastal erosion and accretion rates, as well as descriptions of existing nearby walls or revetments, coastal hazard history, waves and currents, thirty-year erosion hazard, the EA's consultant concludes that "the effect of the walls on shoreline processes ... has been negligible..." A potential impact is the restriction of access to fishermen and gatherers. For more, see page 4.

Diamond Head Improvements

The State wants to improve Diamond Head as a better recreational site for visitors and residents. Proposed changes include: entry to the crater via Kapahulu Tunnel and exit via Kahala Tunnel; a permanent visitor/interpretive facility; removal of specific Federal/State buildings; wetland improvements; proposed picnic areas; a long range plan to move visitor parking outside the crater and setup of a motorized people mover system in the crater; controlling visitor access to sensitive areas (such as the crater rim); protecting habitat for *Schidea adamantis* and other native species; and new trails and access to currently restricted military use areas. See page 7.

Erosion at Wailua Golf Course? Another View

In the recently withdrawn draft EA for the Wailua Golf Course Seawall, the County of Kaua'i cites control of erosion as its primary justification for its proposed seawall on the beach fronting Wailua Golf Course. In response to Mr. Kurt Bosshard's allegations of biased coverage by the local press and alleged misrepresentations in the draft EA, OEQC is printing, at his request, his views, discussing the need (or lack thereof) for a massive shoreline hardening structure on an existing natural beach. OEQC has also received several other letters from concerned citizens on this issue. See page 23 for more.

Happy 30th Earth Day!

30 years ago, during a tumultuous time of anti-war protests and student activism, Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin proclaimed April 22, 1970, to be Earth Day. The senator first conceived of Earth Day as a nationwide "teach-in" to dramatize America's environmental plight to a country barely aware of its present and potential environmental challenges. Some 20 million persons participated in these first Earth Day events, listening to speeches, holding seminars, and taking practical action to clean up the environment. 30 years later, the seed, fallen on the fertile soil of environmental consciousness continues to grow. There are many grass-roots (or here in Hawai'i, kalo-roots) environmental organizations here in Hawai'i and nationally. Government has developed media-specific programs for pollution abatement and programs to protect endangered species (cont'd on page 15)

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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Kahua O Waikalua Neighborhood Park

District: Ko'olaupoko
TMK: 1-4-5-30: portion 36
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and
Construction
650 South King Street, 14th Floor
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Gary Doi (527-6699)

Approving Agency/Accepting

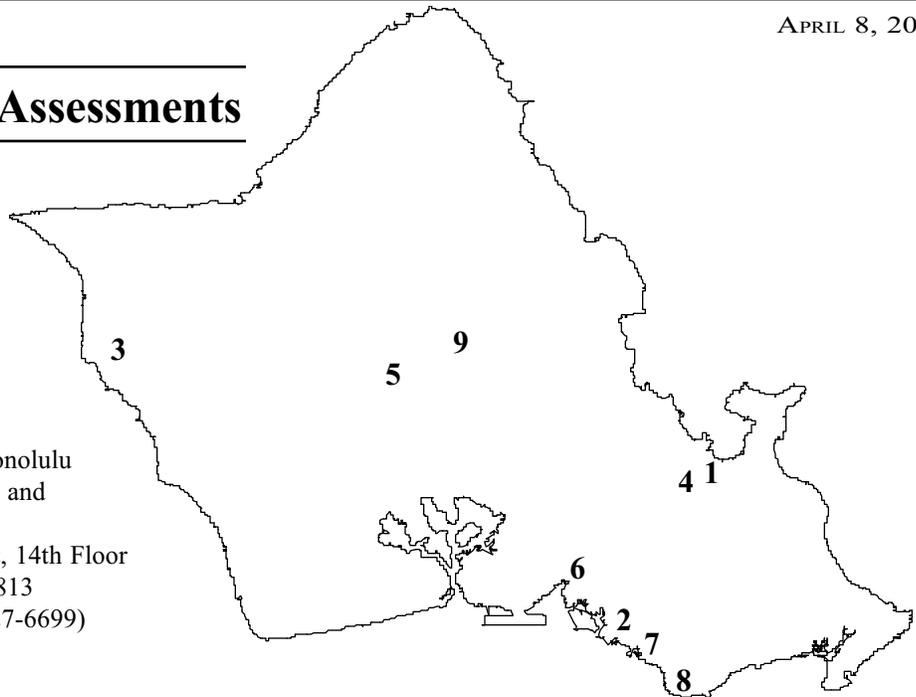
Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Planning Solutions, Inc.
1210 Auahi Street, Suite 221
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96814
Contact: Esme Corbett-Suzuki (593-1288)

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with
copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits
Required:** Building, grubbing, grading, stockpiling,
NPDES, sewer connection, SMA, noise
variance

The project involves the development of a neighborhood park on a City and County owned parcel adjacent to the Bayview Golf Park and the Kane'ohē Wastewater Treatment Facility in Kane'ohē. Amenities will ultimately include a combined shelter/comfort station, an educational demonstration garden, a picnic area, two youth soccer fields, a softball field that will overlie one of the youth soccer fields to form a multi-purpose field, an in-line hockey rink, and 67 parking stalls. The park will be equipped with automatic irrigation and site furniture such as picnic tables, trash receptacles, perimeter fencing as required to secure the site, and an on-site concrete walkway system. The park will be developed in two increments. Although no significant long-term environmental impacts are expected as a result of the development of the park, a slight increase in traffic and occasional noise from organized sporting events may occur. Temporary construction impacts are also expected. Mitigation measures include restricting park operating hours from dawn to dusk, and ensuring that construction occurs during working hours and that all best management practices are observed.



(2) Kalakaua Vista Elderly Rental Apartments

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-3-24: 33 and 2-3-23: 21
Applicant: Hawai'i Housing Development Corporation
725 Kapi'olani Blvd., Suite C-103
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Gary Furuta (596-2120)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Housing & Community Development
Corporation of Hawai'i (HCDCH)
677 Queen Street, Suite 300
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Scott Kami (587-0797)

Consultant: Kusao & Kurahashi, Inc.
1314 South King Street, Suite 1263
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96814
Contact: Keith Kurahashi (538-6652)

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
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copies to the approving agency or accepting
authority, the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits
Required:** 201G, CUP, minor for joint development
and building permits

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The applicant, Hawai'i Housing Development Corporation, proposes to develop an eight-story elderly affordable rental apartment building in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 201G of the Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), as amended. The eight-story building will provide 80 1-bedroom affordable rental apartment units, one resident manager's unit and 40 at grade parking stalls for elderly residents (62 and older) who earn at or below 30% and 60% of the area median income (AMI). This Draft Environmental Assessment Report for the development of this multi-story affordable rental apartment building is prepared pursuant to and in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 343 HRS and Chapter 200 of Title 11, Administrative Rules - Environmental Impact Statement Rules. The action that triggers this assessment is the proposed development at 1620 and 1628 Kalakaua Avenue, O'ahu, and the possible use of State and City funds for the project.

The proposed elderly affordable apartment use is permitted in the BMX-3 Community Business Mixed Use District of Honolulu under the Land Use Ordinance (Section 7.80-4).

The 17,211 square foot property at 1620 and 1628 Kalakaua Avenue is located on two adjacent parcels of vacant land. The property is bounded by a low-rise commercial building to the north; a low-rise mixed use (commercial/residential) development to the south; the Makiki Drainage Ditch and residential properties to the west; and Kalakaua Avenue to the east.



(3) Kamada After-the-Fact Shoreline Setback Variance

District: Wai'anae
TMK: 8-4-5:17
Applicant: Calvin & Helen Kamada
3745 Maunaloa Avenue
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96816

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Steve Tagawa (527-5349)

Consultant: Analytical Planning Consultants, Inc.
928 Nuuanu Avenue, Suite 502
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96817
Contact: Donald Clegg (536-5695)

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000
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: SSV

The applicants propose to retain a 30-inch high concrete rubble masonry (CPM) retaining wall (with steps) and backfill constructed within the 40-foot shoreline setback at their single-family residence at 84-849 Moua Street in Makaha. The CRM wall is approximately 70 feet long and approximately 20 feet d from the last certified shoreline (a re-certification is currently being sought). The applicants also propose to construct a 3' 6" high wrought iron fence along the top of this CRM wall. The shoreline in this area consists of rocky lava outcropping extending approximately 40 feet beyond the unauthorized wall.

According to the applicant, the purpose of the wall is to provide the residence with protection from seasonal wave action that can inundate the property. This portion of the property is located in VE 15' Coastal flood with velocity hazard (base elevation of 15 feet) on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FENLA) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM).

Pursuant to Chapter 23, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu (ROH), these improvements are prohibited from being built within 40 feet of the certified shoreline (as determined by the State of Hawai'i) without first obtaining a Shoreline Setback Variance (SV). A citation for violating this regulation was issued to the applicants on November 15, 1999 (BV 99-11-IO), which requires approval of an SV, or removal of unauthorized improvements, in order to be resolved.



(4) Kane'ohu Bay Drive Improvements

District: Ko'olaupoko
TMK: 4-5-34 & 48
Applicant: Department of Transportation
601 Kamokila Blvd., Room 609
Kapolei, Hawai'i 96707
Contact: Ross Hironaka (692-7575)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000

Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with a copy to OEQC.

Permits Required: Army & WQC

The State of Hawai'i, Department of Transportation (HDOT) is proposing to make improvements to Kane'ohe Bay Drive from 'Aumoku Street to Mokulele Drive in the district of Ko'olaupoko on the island of Oahu.

The improvements consist of widening Kane'ohe Bay Drive, from Puohala Street to Kawa Bridge, by adding a through lane in the Kailua direction and a left turn storage lane in the Honolulu direction. Other proposed improvements include a wider shoulder to accommodate bicycle traffic, restoring the existing median curb and constructing sidewalks and curb ramps which comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act standards.



(5) Wahaiawa Fire Station Replacement

District: Wahaiawa
TMK: 7-4-04:61
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Curtis Kushimaejo (527-6332)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Gerald Park Urban Planner (942-7484)
1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 876
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96814

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

Permits Required: Variance from Pollution Controls; NPDES; Grubbing, Grading, Stockpiling; Building; Excavate Public Right-of-Way.

The Department of Design and Construction and the Honolulu Fire Department have determined that the Wahaiawa Fire Station is too old and too small to accommodate the living and working needs of personnel and new equipment assigned to the station and should be replaced. Due to its advanced age, the building is in need of repairs and an

overhaul of its plumbing and electrical systems. Furthermore, extensive modifications are required to bring the station into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and to meet current and future HFD operational requirements.

The City and County of Honolulu has future plans to relocate the Wahaiawa Emergency Medical Service (EMS) ambulance unit from Wahaiawa General Hospital back to the Wahaiawa Fire Station. The space provided for EMS operations at Wahaiawa General Hospital is only a small office and bathroom which is inadequate to serve the needs of EMS operations and personnel.

The proposed Wahaiawa Fire Station is an H-shaped structure similar in architectural design and layout to the existing station. The one-story structure is approximately 31'5" in height (measured from grade to top of roof) with a gross floor area of 4,972 square feet. The building will be constructed slab on grade with cement masonry exterior walls and topped by a double-pitched hip metal roof.

Living and working spaces are divided into two halves separated by the apparatus bay. One half (the mauka half of the station) will house the officers dormitory and shower, office, study, and kitchen and dining room. Space in the other half is allocated for the fire fighters dormitory, locker room, shower and toilet, exercise room, and laundry.

Roll up doors will enclose the front and rear of the apparatus bay. The bay is large enough to park the fire apparatus, tanker, and new and future fire department equipment assigned to the station.

A future two-story EMS building is being planned for the north corner of the site. The rectangular shaped structure will be designed to match the architectural design and building materials of the new fire station. The building's construction will be concrete slab on grade with cement masonry unit exterior walls, and topped with a gabled metal roof. The proposed two-story structure will be approximately 27 feet in height with total floor area of 1,650 square feet.

The apparatus and tanker will continue to exit from the front of the station directly on to California Avenue. A 15-foot wide driveway will be built along the west property line to provide through access between California Avenue and Mango Place. The new driveway will allow the fire apparatus and tanker to be driven into the station from Mango Place rather than having to reverse into the station from California Avenue.

Construction costs for the new fire station is estimated at \$1.985 million and will be funded by the City and County

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of Honolulu. The station will be built in one construction phase tentatively scheduled to begin in mid 2000 with completion projected for mid 2001.



(6) Young Brothers Maintenance Facility (After-the-Fact)

District: Honolulu
TMK: 1-05-032:02
Applicant: Young Brothers, Limited
Pier 40
P.O. Box 3288
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96801-3201
Contact: Jeffrey Low (543-9406)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Transportation
79 South Nimitz Highway
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96816
Contact: Glenn Soma (587-2503)

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

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000
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; Variance from Pollution Controls; Building; Grubbing, Grading & Stockpiling; Sewer Connection

Young Brothers, Limited has built a maintenance facility at Pier 40, Honolulu Harbor to support its inter-island shipping operations. The maintenance facility was erected on State land and the State Department of Transportation-Harbors Division ("DOT-Harbors") has requested that Young Brothers, Ltd. prepare an Environmental Assessment to fulfill the requirements of its agreement for leasing State land at Piers 39 and 40. The maintenance facility occupies an area of approximately 147,600 square feet of tax map key 1-5-32: 02.

The proposed action allows YB to consolidate its maintenance and repair functions at a location adjoining Piers 39 and 40 where all its shipping operations at Honolulu Harbor take place and provides them with a covered work area for servicing and maintaining its complement of land-based equipment year around and space for inventorying tools and parts.

The maintenance facility consists of a single structure erected on a concrete apron and bordered by a wide expanse of asphalt concrete. The 275 feet long by 90 feet wide by 52 feet high structure is the most prominent feature of the project. Its 28,158 square feet under roof provides work space for repairing truck chassis, shipping containers, and forklifts (up to 45 ton capacity). Space is also provided for a diesel and electrical shop, a welding area, equipment storage, washdown area, bulk storage, locker and toilets for men and women, and office use.

The structure is built primarily of pre-formed metal siding and metal roofing set on a reinforced concrete slab. Pre-engineered rigid metal frames posted 25 feet on center with steel columns in the center support the roof. The height of the structure does not exceed the 60-foot height limit for the I-3 zoning district.

The project cost \$3.8 million to build and was funded by Young Brothers, Limited. The project was built in one construction phase of 12 months beginning in October 1997 and finishing in October 1998.

The property is owned by the State of Hawaii and leased to Young Brothers, Limited for a term of 35 years from November 1998 through October 2033.

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



(7) Manoa Valley Heritage Center

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-9-19:37, 38, and 43
Applicant: Manoa Valley Heritage Center
2859 Manoa Road
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96822
Contact: Cathy Cooke (537-9182)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Ardis Shaw-Kim (527-5349)

Consultant: Plan Pacific
737 Bishop Street, Suite 1520
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Lisa Leonillo Imata (521-9418 x
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Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: CUP (minor), building, use of historic structure

The project site is part of the Kualii Estate which is located between Manoa Road and O'ahu Avenue. It is located in an established residential area on the edge of urban Honolulu.

The project area encompasses three lots. Two of the lots are currently vacant. Kuka'o'o Heiau occupies the third lot. The applicant, the Manoa Valley Cultural Heritage Foundation, proposes to seek a Conditional Use Permit to jointly develop the lots.

Proposed is an interpretive and educational center to facilitate docent-led school groups and public visitation of the Kuka'o'o Heiau.

In support of this new use, the following improvements are proposed:

- 1) a "hale". A 2,300 square foot, single story structure with areas for gathering, offices, food preparation, storage, lanai and restrooms;
- 2) a smaller covered pavilion or similar structure, approximately 1,000 square-feet in area, is envisioned for use as a visitor welcoming and orientation area;
- 3) on-site parking; and
- 4) native Hawaiian landscaping.

The focus of the interpretive programs will be on educating school children, with fourth graders being the target audience. As currently envisioned, the docent-led tours would be offered weekdays between 9:00 am and 3:30 pm with the possibility of an occasional weekend day.

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(8) Diamond Head State Monument Master Plan Update

District: Honolulu
TMK: 3-1-42: 6, 8, 10, 14, 17, 21, 23, 24, 25, 37, and 38; 3-1-35: 23; 3-1-42: 11 (Cannon Club); 3-1-42: 20 por. (Board of Water Supply); 3-1-42: 15 and 16 (FAA)

Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O Box 373
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809
Contact: Andrew Monden (587-0230)

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: PBR Hawaii
1001 Bishop Street
Pacific Tower, Suite 650
Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813
Contact: Vincent Shigekuni (521-563)1

Public Comment
Deadline: May 23, 2000
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: Dept. of Army, Special District, SMA, well construction, pump installation, water use, SCAP, water code

Diamond Head, perhaps Hawaii's most recognized landmark, is a popular recreational site for residents and visitors. In 1979, with the guidance of the Diamond Head State Monument (DHSM) Citizens Advisory Committee, the 1979 Planning Report (Master Plan) for the DHSM was produced. The primary objective this plan was the establishment of a semi-wild interior park and development of an exterior park for family picnic outings.

In 1997 the State Legislature funded an update to the 1979 Planning Report (Master Plan) for the Diamond Head

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State Monument. This Draft EIS details the environmental impacts of improvements proposed in the Master Plan Update.

The Master Plan Update is similar to the 1979 plan, as both plans include proposals for: entry into the interior of Diamond head through Kapahulu Tunnel and exit through Kahala Tunnel; a permanent visitor/interpretive facility; removal of specific Federal and State buildings, improvements to the wetland; and proposed picnic areas. New proposals in the Master Plan Update include: a long range plan to move visitor parking to outside of the crater and then the establishment of a motorized people mover system within the interior; controlling visitor access to sensitive areas (such as the crater rim); protecting the *Schideea adamantis* habitat and other native species habitat; and opening new trails and access to currently restricted (by military uses) areas.

The Draft EIS concludes that few potential adverse impacts are expected to result from the implementation of the proposed Master Plan Update. Short term impacts will result from initial construction, which will require grading, trenching, and movement of construction vehicles on unpaved roads. These activities will generate noise and dust.

Long-term effects are expected to produce minimal impact to the adjacent residential property owners, Kapiolani Community College, or Kapiolani Park. Positive impacts include extensive landscaping to aesthetically integrate the Master Plan into the natural environment of the Crater; engineering, design, and construction measures to ensure adequate drainage and irrigation; construction of trails that have minimum visual and physical impact; and the management of endangered plant species to enhance and expand current populations and establish new populations.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



(9) O'ahu Forest National Wildlife Refuge (FONSI)

District: 'Ewa, Wahiawa
TMK: Waipi'o 9-5-04:1;
Wai'anae Uka 7-6-01:1

Applicant: U.S. Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Pacific Islands Office
Box 50088
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96850
Contact: Robert P. Smith (541-2749)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) that evaluates the effects of establishing the proposed O'ahu Forest National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge) in the northern Ko'olau Mountains, O'ahu. The Refuge would allow the Service to protect and manage a portion of some of the best remaining native forests in the northern Ko'olau Mountains. At least nine native natural communities have been identified in the project area including lowland mesic koa and 'ohi'a forest types, 'ohi'a rainforest communities, a rare fanpalm (or loulu) plant community, high elevation cloud forest, and freshwater streams. In addition to a rich diversity of native plants and animals, the proposed Refuge supports at least four species of endangered O'ahu tree snails, 17 endangered plants, one candidate plant species, and two plant species of concern. Native birds that may be seen include the proposed endangered O'ahu 'Elepaio, the Hawaiian Owl, and native honeycreepers (O'ahu 'Amakihi and 'Apapane). Potential Refuge management programs are described in the Conceptual Management Plan that is included in the Environmental Assessment.

The purpose of the Refuge will be to protect and recover endangered and threatened species and to conserve native biological diversity of the Refuge. A low level of compatible public use is being proposed for the interim phase that will include guided wildlife observation, photography, environmental education, and interpretation. The use of hunters to assist the Refuge with controlling feral pigs will be considered following the completion of biological baseline surveys and a Feral Pig Control Plan that will be developed with input from hunters and the community.

Based on the analysis that is documented in the Final EA, the Service prepared a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The Final EA, FONSI, and a Project Summary are on file with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. A limited number of copies are available and may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Refuge Planning, Box 50088, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96850 or by calling: 541-2749. Text Telephone (TTY) users may call us through the GTE Telecommunications Relay Service at: 1-711 or at 643-8833.

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Kahalu'u Regional Park

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design and Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Gary Doi (527-6699)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

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Deadline: April 24, 2000

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Kailua-Kan'eohe-Kahalu'u Facilities Plan

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Design & Construction
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Carl Arakaki (523-4671)
and
Department of Environmental Services
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Kenneth Sprague (527-6663)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting
650 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Randall Fujiki (523-4432)

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



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Vidinha Stadium Complex Expansion

Applicant: County of Kaua'i
Department of Public Works
4444 Rice Street
Lihu'e, Hawai'i 96766
Contact: Wally Kudo (241-6620)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Kaua'i
Department of Public Works
4444 Rice Street
Lihu'e, Hawai'i 96766
Contact: Wally Kudo (241-6620)

Public Comment

Deadline: April 24, 2000



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(1) Kihei Information Center, Boat Facility & Native Plant Nursery

District: Kihei
TMK: 3-9-04: por. 1 and 61
Applicant: Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission
33 South King Street, Room 501
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Heidi Meeker (586-0761)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

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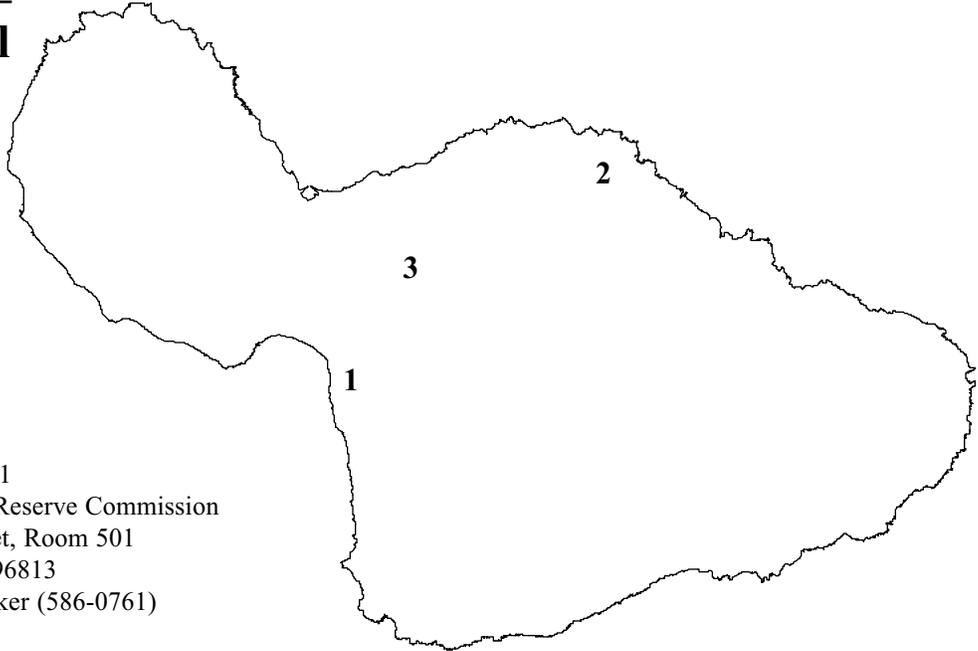
Deadline: May 8, 2000

Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment.
Address comments to the applicant with a copy to OEQC.

Permits Required: Community plan amendment, zoning change, SMA

The Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission (KIRC) is requesting a Community Plan Amendment, a Change in Zoning Request, a Special Management Area Use Permit, and a Set Aside of Government Land for a Revocable Permit and future Executive Order and Subdivision to construct an Office/Information Center, a Boat House/Storage Facility, a Native Hawaiian Plant Nursery, and other necessary appurtenances on approximately eight (8) acres of State-owned land that is situated within the State "Urban" District and within the Special Management Area (SMA).

The Boat House/Storage Facility will house a boat, trailer, and equipment for KIRC's ocean and restoration programs. The nursery will include approximately four (4) acres of planting area for the propagation of Native Hawaiian plants, to be transplanted on Kaho'olawe. The Office/Information Center will serve as office space for KIRC administration and as a public information center. Approximately two (2) acres of the site will remain undeveloped, except for landscaping, to preserve existing archaeological sites (burials) and open space along the shoreline for the South Maui Coastal Heritage Corridor.



The site is currently vacant, undeveloped, and littered with piles of garbage and other debris. It has non-native species of trees and plants interspersed with a few native species.

The proposed project will be phased based upon program needs, available funding and other government requirements.



(2) Ulumalu-Peahi Water System Improvements

District: Makawao
TMK: 2-08-01:61, 64
Applicant: County of Maui
Department of Water Supply
200 S. High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: David Craddick (270-7816)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Consultant: Warren S. Unemori Engineering, Inc.
2145 Wells Street, Suite 403
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Alan L. Unemori (242-4403)

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.
Permits Required: NPDES, Grading, Building, County Right-of-Way

This project will replace the existing, substandard private water distribution system in Maui Ranch Estates subdivision and adjoining properties with a new 8-inch distribution system and regular fire hydrants. The project will serve approximately 81 lots.

Anticipated improvements include:

- (1) Construction of a 300,000 reinforced concrete reservoir in pastureland above the end of a currently unpaved section of Upper Ulumalu Road at an elevation of approximately 1300+ feet, approximately 1-1/4 miles south and uphill from the southwest corner of the Maui Ranch Estates subdivision.
- (2) Construction of a Booster Pump Station with 10,000 gallon control tank immediately off a currently unpaved section of Upper Ulumalu Road across from the southwest corner of Maui Ranch Estates subdivision.
- (3) Construction of approximately 3900 feet of 12-inch and 2700 feet of 8-inch outflow lines along Upper Ulumalu Road, including standard DWS water laterals, electronic meters and regular fire hydrants.
- (4) Construction of an 8-inch water distribution system within Maui Ranch Estates subdivision right-of-ways.
- (5) Connection of the new 8-inch line on Maluna Place with an existing 8-inch line on the east end of Pakanu Street, including a pressure reducing valve on this line.
- (6) Installation of pressure regulating valve assemblies at appropriate locations on Upper Ulumalu Road, Waipalani Road, Kapuai Road and Lanikai Place
- (7) Interconnecting lines at cul-de-sacs between Waipalani Road and Lanikai Place, and between Kalipo Place and Upper Ulumalu Road to enhance circulation and minimize dynamic pressure losses in the system.
- (8) Construction of an 12-inch inflow line on Kaupakalua Road between the 200,000 gallon "Kaupakalua tank" and the western end of the "Maldonado line".
- (9) Construction of an 8-inch inflow line on Upper Ulumalu Road between the eastern end of the "Maldonado line" and the Booster Pump Station, and on Upper Ulumalu Road between the Booster Pump Station and the 300,000 gallon reinforced concrete tank.

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



(3) Haleakala Highway Widening, Pukalani Bypass to Hana Highway

Districts: Makawao & Wailuku
TMK: 3-8-01 por. 1, 6; 3-8-03 por. 4, 5, 7; 2-5-02 por. 2; 2-5-03 por. 1, 10.
Applicant: Department of Transportation
Highways Division
601 Kamokila Blvd., 6th Floor
Kapolei, Hawai'i 96707
Contact: Emilio Barroga (692-7546)
Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: Same as above.
Consultant: Environmental Communications
P.O. Box 536
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96809
Contact: Fred Rodriguez (528-4661)
Public Challenge
Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Grading, building

The State Department of Transportation in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration proposes to widen Haleakala Highway, Pukalani Bypass to Hana Highway, from three lanes to four 12-foot wide lanes -- two lanes inbound and two lanes outbound. Other improvements include constructing a 36-foot wide median, paving 4-foot wide left shoulders and 10-foot wide right shoulders, widening of five irrigation ditch crossing structures, and installing traffic signals at the Haliimaile Road intersection and also at the North Firebreak road intersection. The 5.5-mile project also requires acquisition of about 20 acres of adjacent lands. The estimated construction cost of the project is \$15-17 million.

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Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

Ke Ali'i Subdivision

Applicant: Spencer Homes, Inc.
4372 W. Waiola Street
Kihei, Hawai'i 96753
Contact: Mark Spencer (891-8770)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Maui
Planning Department
250 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Julie Higa (270-7253)

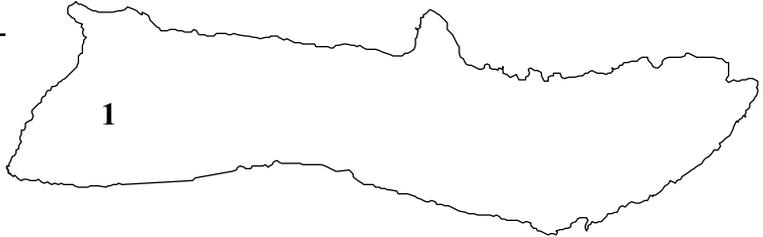
Public Comment

Deadline: April 24, 2000



Molokai Notices

Final Environmental Assessments (FONSI)



(1) Maunaloa Subdivision

District: Moloka'i
TMK: 5-1-02: por. 25 and por. 29
Applicant: Moloka'i Ranch, Ltd.
55 Merchant Street, Suite 2000
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Contact: Harold Edwards (531-0158)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Maui, Department of Planning
205 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793
Contact: Robyn Loudermilk (270-7735)

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

Public Challenge

Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: Changes in zoning

Molokai Ranch, Limited proposes the subdivision of approximately 19.1 acres of land at Maunaloa, Moloka'i for 24 rural lots (0.5 acre minimum), as well as 8 residential lots (10,000 square feet minimum) along Manager's Row. Of the 8

residential lots, 7 lots contain existing dwelling units. The remaining lot is currently vacant but formerly contained a single-family dwelling. The existing Manager's Row dwellings will continue to be utilized for Molokai Ranch employee housing; there are no plans to demolish or renovate these structures. Four remnant lots totalling 0.233 acre are also proposed to be consolidated with abutting lots.

The subject property is situated at the northeastern extent of Maunaloa Town and includes pasture lands and the existing dwellings along Manager's Row.

Preliminarily, the proposed subdivision improvements include:

1. Clearing, grubbing, and grading of the homesites in accordance with drainage and setback criteria (except for the lands underlying Manager's Row);
2. Installation of water, sewer, and utility lines to serve each of the homesites (except for the lands underlying Manager's Row which already have utility connections);
3. The extension of Pu'unana Street and Ka'ana Street to provide access to the homesites; and
4. Construction of drainage system improvements for the collection and conveyance of stormwater runoff.

Since the proposed action involves a change to the Moloka'i Community Plan that is independent of the County's 10-year update process, an Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared as required by Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

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



(1) Bakken Land Exchange at Kiholo Bay

District: North Kona
TMK: 7-1-02:08 (por.); and 02
Applicant: Earl Bakken c/o Roy A. Vitousek III
Cades, Schutte, Fleming and Wright
75-170 Hualalai Road, Suite B303
Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i 96740
Contact: Gregory Mooers (885-6839)

Approving Agency/Accepting

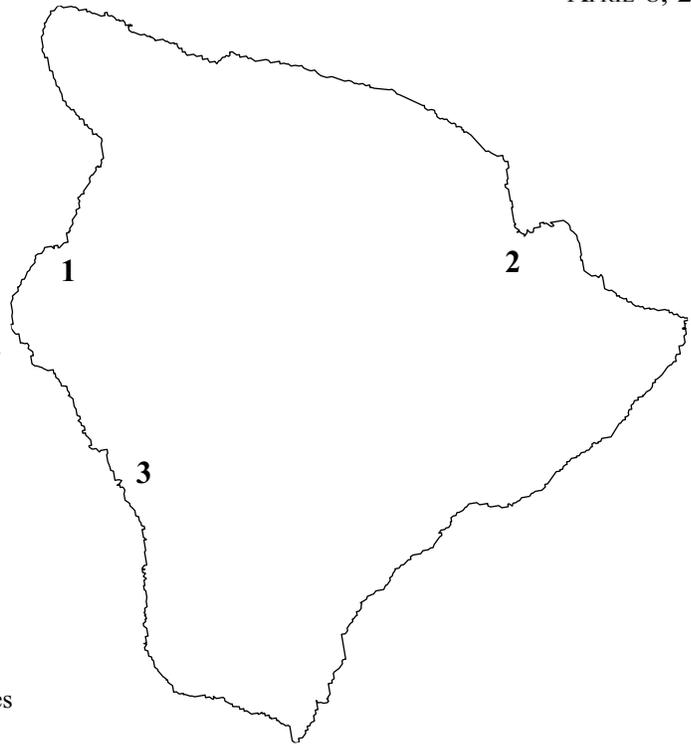
Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96809
Contact: Ed Henry (587-0380)

Consultant: Ron Terry, Ph.D. (982-5831)
HC 2 Box 9575
Keaau, Hawai'i

Public Challenge

Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits Required: CDUP, approval of land exchange, SMA, building

Dr. Earl Bakken has initiated a project at Kiholo Bay that would exchange a beachfront parcel (the Lynn parcel) he owns in exchange for a portion of a large State parcel. The project would also relocate an existing access and utility easement and construct a caretaker's cottage and associated improvements. The exchange offers benefits to the State of Hawaii by providing a beachfront parcel with an existing custom home adjacent to the prime area for coastal recreation on State land in Kiholo. This would also allow for state control and oversight of the anchialine ponds, lava tube caves, and other rare and sensitive ecosystems on or near the Lynn parcel. Landclearing and construction activities will produce short-term impacts to noise, air quality, access and scenery, which can be mitigated by adherence to various CDUP conditions. Sensitive biological, hydrological and historic site resources are present on the Lynn parcel. If the State assumes ownership of this property, it will also be granted the stewardship of these resources. The precise



management of these resources cannot be specified at this time. Archaeological sites are present on the State parcel. Conditions related to the CDUP are expected to require preservation of the archaeological features found there. As a precaution, additional mitigation measures to account for inadvertent archaeological discoveries are also proposed.



(2) Leleiwi Beach Park Improvements

District: South Hilo
TMK: 2-1-17:por. 21, 22
Applicant: County of Hawai'i
Department of Parks & Recreation
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
Contact: Glenn Miyao (961-8311)

Approving Agency/Accepting

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

Public Challenge

Deadline: May 8, 2000

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Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits SMA, grading, plan approval, ROW,
Required: ADA compliance

The County of Hawai'i Department of Parks and Recreation proposes to construct a parking lot (23 stalls) to improve access to an undeveloped portion of Leleiwi Beach Park, which encompasses the shoreline from James Kealoha Beach Park to Richardson Beach Park. The site is located at the corner of Kalaniana'ole Street and Lokoaka Street in Keaukaha. Since the project site was formerly used as a residence, there are no historic sites or endangered species. The project site is within the VE and AE special flood hazard zones, and proposed improvements will comply with the requirements of the County Flood Control Code. Security gates will be installed at the parking lot to discourage late-night gatherings. The project will require a SMA Minor Permit.



(3) Wilcox Single-Family Residence

District: South Kona
TMK: 8-3-05:07
Applicant: Allen & Barbara Wilcox
83-500 Keawaiki Road
Captain Cook, Hawai'i 96704
Contact: Ted Baldau (329-6225)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96809
Contact: Eric Hill (587-0383)

Consultant: Alanui Enterprises
P.O. Box 390628
Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i 96739
Contact: Ted Baldau (329-6225)

Public Challenge

Deadline: May 8, 2000
Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.
Permits
Required: CDUP, building, IWS

Allen and Barbara Wilcox are proposing the construction of a single family residence on a 0.43 acre parcel located approximately 0.25 miles south of Napo'opo'o Village and 200 feet from the shoreline in South Kona, Hawai'i.

The 1,888 square foot residence will have one bedroom, a bath, kitchen, and a lanai and will be serviced through existing utilities and an individual wastewater system. The residence will be of a style and color so as to blend with the surroundings and will be compatible with the appearance of the existing community.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice

► Keopuka Lands

Applicant: Pacific Star, LLC
c/o 159 Halai Street
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
Contact: William L. Moore (935-0311)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Hawai'i Planning Department
25 Aupuni Street, Room 109
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
Contact: Alice Kawaha (961-8288)

Public Comment

Deadline: April 24, 2000



National Environmental Policy Act

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Johnston Atoll Temporary Civil Aircraft Operations: Continental Micronesia and Aloha Airlines (Draft EA/FONSI)

District: Johnston Island
Applicant: Continental Micronesia Airlines
Honolulu International Airport
300 Rodgers Blvd., #11
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96819-1897
Contact: Edward Ganir (834-7235)
and
Aloha Airlines
P.O. Box 30028
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96820
Contact: James King (836-4215)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: U.S. Air Force, Pacific Air Forces
15th Air Base Wing
OL-A, Det 1, 15 ABW
200 Vickers Avenue
Hickam AFB, Hawai'i 96853-5271
Contact: Carol Gaudette (449-3315)

Consultant: Kimura International, Inc.
1600 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1610
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96814
Contact: Glenn Kimura (944-8848)

Public Comment

Deadline: May 8, 2000

Status: Address comments to the applicants with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, and the consultant.

Continental Micronesia Airlines and Aloha Airlines have entered into a Letter of Agreement (LOA) with the U.S. Air Force to permit the use of Johnston Atoll as a refueling stop for scheduled air service to the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) and destinations beyond. Johnston Atoll is an unincorporated territory of the United States located about 820 miles southwest of the Hawaiian Islands. The major activities on the island are associated with the disposal of chemical warfare munitions. The atoll is also a National Wildlife Refuge. Approximately 1,200 military and civilian personnel support these activities.

Commercial flights would foster congressional support of countries that have established compacts of association with the U.S., satisfy demand for air service to and from JA, and provide options for emergency medical or natural disaster evacuations.

Alternatives besides doing nothing are to use Midway Island as an alternate route or overfly Johnston Atoll. Rerouting to Midway creates a triangular route that adds 649 miles, 1 hour and 26 minutes, 1,260 gallons and \$175 per ticket to the trip. Overflying JA can only be accomplished with severe payload restrictions.

Environmental issues included establishing procedures to deal with aircraft breakdowns, chemical release emergencies on island during aircraft operations, and aircraft/bird strikes. Both airlines have aircraft rescue provisions, will follow command evacuation procedures and will work with the Refuge Manager and Air Force to evaluate bird strike mitigating measures.

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and preserve historic and cultural resources. Environmental review law in Hawai'i has been strengthened to require more early public consultation and disclosure. The Ahupua'a Action Alliance, OEQC, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Office of Planning, Kapi'olani Community College and others are working together in the ongoing development of collaborative dialogue and partnerships between agencies, businesses and community groups toward environmental problem solving using the ahupua'a model. There is growing concern for educating future generations on the rare and unique natural and cultural resources contained in our ahupua'a. These developments could not work were it not for citizen involvement at the kalo-roots level. So as we celebrate the 30th Earth Day, let us not forget the source of strength in protecting our 'aina - YOU! Get out and volunteer to remove miconia, clean up a stream or clear a trail. Promote recycling and reuse! Be on the lookout for unwanted alien plants and animals! Educate our children on the rare and unique natural and cultural resources our island home has to offer. **Your actions make a difference! Happy 30th Earth Day!**

Shoreline Notices

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Shoreline Certification Applications

Pursuant to § 13 -222-12, HAR the following shoreline certification applications are available for inspection at the DLNR District Land Offices on Kaua'i, Hawai'i and Maui and at Room 220, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, O'ahu (Tel: 587-0414). All comments shall be submitted in writing to the State Land Surveyor, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 210, Honolulu, Hawai'i 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
MA-223	03/20/00	Portion of Lot 1-A of the Bechert Estate Subdivision at Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii (Makai of Lower Honoapiilani Highway and South of Kahananui Stream) Purpose: Honoapiilani Highway Improvements - Phase IV	Austin, Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc., for County of Maui Department of Public Works and Waste Management	4-03-10:009
OA-764	03/22/00	Lot 15 Kaiaka Beach Lots, being a portion of R. P. 4475, Land Commission Award 7713, Apana 34 to V. Kamamalu at Paalaa-Kai, Wailua, Oahu, Hawaii 66-425 Pikai Street Purpose: Obtain County Building Permit for renovations and remodeling of existing residence structure	ParEn, Inc., dba park engineering, for John W. White	6-6-31:001
HA-221	03/22/00	Lot 10 of Hualalai Resort "K-1" Subdivision, File Plan 2184, being a portion of R. P. 7843, Land Commission Award 7715, Apana 10 to L. Kamehameha at Kaupulehu, North Kona, Hawaii Portion of R. P. 4475 and Land Commission Award 7713, Apana 30 to V. Kamamalu, (Off Queen Highway - Huallalai Resort, Kailua-Kona) Purpose: Obtain County Building Permit for construction of new residence structure	Wes Thompson Associates, for Laupulehu Makai Venture	7-2-12:010
OA-502	03/22/00	Lot 10, Section D, Kawailoa Beach Lots, Kawailoa, Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii 61-765 Papailoa Place Purpose: Obtain County Building Permit	Walter P. Thompson, Inc., for Theodore A. McFarland	6-1-04:086
OA-459	03/22/00	Lot 283 Land Court Application 1052 as shown on Map 7, Makaha, Waianae, Oahu, Hawaii 84-Makau Street Purpose: Determine building set back for future planning	Wesley T. Tengan, for Karen Ann Ulin	8-4-9:008
MA-224	03/27/00	Lot 55 of Makena Beach Lots, being a portion of Land Commission Award 11216, Apana 21 to Kekauonohi (Makai of Keoneolo-Makena Road) Purpose: To determine setback	Austin, Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc., for Palavea Bay Partners	2-1-11:013
MO-060	03/27/00	Lot 2 of Kamekana Beach Lots, portion of R. P. 7656, Land Commission Award 8559-B and Apana 26 to W. C. Lunailo, Kawela, Molokai Hawaii (Makai of Kamehameha V Highway) Purpose: County building permit for single family residence	Charles M. Busby P.E., for Douglas Beijer	5-4-19:014

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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, Hawai'i 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.	Cert/Rej Date	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA-761	Certification Date 03/29/00	Portion of R. P. 4475, Land Commission Award 7713, Apana 30 to V. Kamamalu, Maunaloa, Oahu, Hawaii (487- Portlock Road) Purpose: County approval for consolidation of lot 4-A (TMK: 3-8-26: 005) and to resolve discrepancy along gulch between two lots	Sam O. Hirota, Inc., for Matsuda Hawaii, Inc.	3-9-016: 036
OA-760	Certification Date 03/29/00	Portion of Beach Reserve for lessee, Maunaloa Beach Subdivision Block 1, Section A at Maunaloa, Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii (Makai of 345-A Portlock Road) Purpose: Obtain County Permit to repair seawall	ParEn, Inc., dba park engineering., for B. P. Bishop Estate	3-9-004: Por. 038
KA-142	Certification Date 03/29/00	Lot 55 land Court Application 1160 Hanalei, Kauai, Hawaii (4906 Weke Road, Hanalei, Kauai) Purpose: Obtain County Permit	Esaki Surveying and Mapping, Inc., for Nathan Hanar	5-5-001: 012
HA-021	Certification Date 03/29/00	Lot 2-A-1 and 2-B-1, being portions of Grant 5327 to Samuel Liftee; and R. P. 7913, Apana 1 to Kaanehe at Waiaha 2nd, North Drive, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii (75-5936 Alii Drive, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii) Purpose: Obtain county Permit	Wes Thomas Associates, for Roger and Adele McGee	7-5-001 and 004
MA-220	Certification Date 03/29/00	Being a portion of Land Commission Award 11216, Apana 1 to M. Kakauonohi, being also all of lot 47 of Makena Beach Lots (Makena Road between Wailea Alanui Drive and Makena Alanui) Purpose: Establish shoreline to determine planning of future use of the property	Warren S. Umemori Engineering, Inc., for Warmenhover Spirit Trust (Curtis A. Burr, Trustee)	2-1-011:021

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, O'ahu.

Branch Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Date	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch, 586-4200, Covered Source	Citizens Utilities Company, Kauai Electric Division CSP 0097-01-C	4392 Waialo Road, Eleele, Kauai	Comments Due: 4/20/00	Port Allen Generating Station
CAB, 586-4200, Covered Source	Tesoro Hawaii Corporation CSP 0212-01-C	91-325 Komohana Street, Kapolei, Oahu	Comments Due: 4/20/00	Petroleum Refinery
CAB, 586-4200, Noncovered Source	Outrigger Hotels Hawaii NSP 0461-01-N	Waikoloa, Hawaii	Issued: 3/14/00	Four (4) 520 kW Caterpillar Diesel Engine Generators and Two (2) 5.07 MMBtu/hr Boilers
CAB, 586-4200, Noncovered Source	Hawaiian Cement NSP 0457-01-N	Kalaelo/Barbers Point Harbor, Kapolei, Oahu	Issued: 3/17/00	Cement Import and Transshipment Terminal
CAB, 586-4200, Covered Source	Maui Pineapple Company, Ltd. CSP 0249-02-C (Amendment)	120 Kane Street, Kahului, Maui	Issued: 3/22/00	Two (2) 1305 kW, Two (2) 1970 kW Diesel Engine Generating Units and Four (4) Steam Boilers
Clean Water Branch, 586-4309, NPDES	Kahala Mandarin Oriental Hotel # 00-CW-PW-04	5000 Kahala Avenue, Oahu	Comments Due: 4/12/00	Discharge noncontact cooling water to the Pacific Ocean
CWB, 586-4309, NPDES	Jas W. Glover, Ltd. # 00-CW-PW-06	Kuia and Kamooloa Streams, Kauai	Comments Due: 4/26/00	Discharge process generated waste water and stormwater from a rainfall event greater than a 10-year, 24-hour rainfall event from the settling and containment ponds to Kuia and Kamooloa Streams.

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Department of Health Permits (continued)

Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Safe Drinking Water Branch, 586-4258, UIC Permit	University of Hawaii @ Hilo State of Hawaii UH-2081	University of Hawaii @ Hilo 200 West Kawili St., Hilo	Comments by 5/17/00	Construction of 5 injection wells for surface drainage.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	MacFarms of Hawaii, Inc. UH-2080	MacFarms of Hawaii, Inc. 89-406 Mamalahoa Highway, Captain Cook	n/a	Registration of 1 injection well for mac-nut wash water.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Assoc. of Apartment Owners, UO-1250	Makaha Shores Condominium 84-265 Farrington Highway, Waianae	n/a	Permit renewal of 10 injection wells for sewage disposal.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Assoc. of Apartment Owners, UK-1348	Lawai Beach Resort (STP) 5017 Lawai Road, Koloa, Kauai	n/a	Permit renewal of 6 injection wells for sewage disposal.
SDWB, 586-4258, UIC Permit	Hanalei Commercial, Inc. UK-1898A	Hanalei Center (STP) 5-5161 Kuhio Highway, Hanalei, Kauai	n/a	Construction of 3 injection wells for sewage disposal.

Coastal Zone News

Federal Consistency Reviews

The Hawai'i Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program has received the following federal actions to review for consistency with the CZM objectives and policies in Chapter 205A, Hawai'i 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 Hawai'i 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, Hawai'i 96804. Or, fax comments to the CZM Program at 587-2899.

(1) Pouhala Marsh Restoration Project, West Loch, Pearl Harbor, O'ahu

Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources,
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Contact: Paul Conry, 587-4176

Federal Action: Department of the Army Permit
Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 438-9258
Location: Adjacent Kapakahi Stream, West Loch, Pearl Harbor, O'ahu
TMK: 9-3-1: 2, 4, 6, 12, 21, 22 & 9-3-2: 9, 27
Proposed Action:

Protect and restore nearly 70 acres of wetlands in Pearl Harbor's West Loch for endangered Hawaiian wildlife. The project actions being proposed are: (1) enhance 20 acres of wetland by clearing vegetation, sculpting basins and removing levees; (2) clean the marsh of all debris and trash; (3) restore eight acres of wetland by removing 66,000 cubic yards of fill material; (4) develop a hydrologic link from Kapakahi Stream to the 8-acre wetland and create habitat for native damselflies; and (5) fence the 70-acre marsh to exclude predators, humans and vehicles. The project is being undertaken through a partnership of the State of Hawaii, City and County of Honolulu, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Campbell Estate, Chevron, Inc., Ducks Unlimited, Inc., and Waipahu Residents.

Comments Due: April 21, 2000

Federal Notices

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Rule for Disengaging Sea Turtles from Longline Fishing Gear

Effective April 27, 2000, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) issued a final rule to require the possession and use of line clippers and dip nets aboard vessels registered for use under a Hawai'i pelagic longline limited access permit to disengage sea turtles hooked or entangled by longline fishing gear. The final rule requires the use of specific methods for the handling, resuscitating, and releasing of sea turtles. The intended effect of the measures is to minimize the mortality of, and injury to, sea turtles hooked or entangled by longline fishing gear. Copies of the environmental assessment (EA) and final regulatory flexibility analysis (FRFA) prepared for this action may be obtained from Charles Karnella, Administrator, NMFS, Pacific Islands Area Office (PIAO), 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1110, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96814-4700, and from Alvin Katekaru or Marilyn Luipold, PIAO. For additional information call Margaret Dupree or Marilyn Luipold at (808) 973-2937 (see 65 F.R. 16346, March 28, 2000).

Pelagics Advisory Panel (PAP) Meeting

The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's (WPFMC) Pelagics Advisory Panel (PAP) will have met on April 5-6, 2000, from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. each day to discuss: review of recommendations arising from 1999 PAP; Hawai'i and American Samoa longline fishery reports; Hawai'i longline fishery issues; report of the Recreational Fisheries Data Task Force; recreational fishery issues; area closure for large pelagic fishing vessels around the islands of American Samoa; shark management in Hawai'i; management of longline-protected species interactions; progress of the Multi-lateral High Level Conference process to implement a management convention for tunas in the Central-West Pacific; Blue marlin research; Council process; and other business as required. For information on what transpired at this meeting, call Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director at (808) 522-8220 (see, 65 F.R. 14543, March 17, 2000).

Interim Land Acquisition Priority System Criteria

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is announcing the availability of and opportunity to comment on its Interim Land Acquisition Priority System criteria. FWS will use the interim criteria to set land acquisition priorities for projects funded under the Land and Water Conservation Fund beginning with the FY 2002 budget cycle. These interim criteria replace the criteria developed in 1987 and modified in

1992. In 1993, the National Research Council appointed the Committee on Scientific and Technical Criteria for Federal Acquisition of Lands for Conservation. The purpose of the Land Acquisition Priority System is: (1) To document land acquisition needs and opportunities for the Fish and Wildlife Service nationwide; (2) to prioritize land acquisition projects submitted by our Regions; and (3) to serve as a starting point for the annual land acquisition budget request. The criteria are one of the "tools" that used to build FWS's annual land acquisition priorities among the most important habitat projects in the Nation. The criteria consist of four components: fisheries/aquatic resources, endangered and threatened species, bird conservation, and ecosystem conservation.

One may obtain copies of the Interim Land Acquisition Priority System package or submit comments on or before June 30, 2000, on the interim criteria by any one of several methods. One may obtain the document from the Division of Realty's internet site at <http://realty.fws.gov/laps.htm>. For additional information, call Andrew French, Team Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, telephone (toll free) (877) 289-8495 (ext. 8590) (see, 65 F.R. 15167, March 21, 2000).

Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park Advisory Commission Meeting

The National Park Service announced that Na Hoapili o Kaloko-Honokohau, Kaloko Honokohau National Historical Park Advisory Commission will be held at 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., on May 5, 2000, at the King Kamehameha Kona Beach Hotel, Kulana Hulihonua Room, Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i. The agenda will include the following: status of vacancies and commissioners' terms of appointments, budget update, and cultural center development. The Superintendent's and committee reports will also be presented. This meeting is open to the public. It will be recorded for documentation and transcribed for dissemination. Minutes of the meeting will be available to the public after approval of the full Advisory Commission. A transcript will be available after May 31, 2000. For copies of the minutes, contact the Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park Superintendent at (808) 329-6881 (see, 65 F.R. 15648, March 23, 2000).

Notice of Availability of Regional Environmental Stewardship Program Grants

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the availability of approximately \$498 thousand in fiscal year 2000 grant/cooperative agreement funds under section 20 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended, (the Act), for

grants to States and federally recognized Native American Tribes for research, public education, training, monitoring, demonstrations, and studies. For convenience, the term "State" in this notice refers to all eligible applicants. In order to be considered for funding during the FY 00 award cycle, all applications must be received by the appropriate EPA regional office on or before May 22, 2000. EPA will make its award decisions by June 30, 2000. For additional information, contact Roccena Lawatch (CMD4-3), 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105, telephone (415) 744-1068, or email at lawatch.roccena@epa.gov (see, 65 F.R. 15328, March 22, 2000).

Availability of Funds for AmeriCorps*VISTA Grants Nationwide

The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) announces the availability of funds for fiscal year 2000, for new AmeriCorps*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) program grants throughout the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Project applications will be written to cover a 12-month period and grants will be awarded for a 12-month period with a renewal option. As part of this effort, the Corporation is soliciting applications from public or private non-profit organizations, including current AmeriCorps*VISTA project sponsors. Approximately 10 to 12 grants are expected to be awarded in summer 2000, subject to the availability of FY 2000 funding. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. April 17, 2000. Application instructions and kits are available from the Corporation for National and Community Service, AmeriCorps*VISTA, 1201 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20525, (202) 606-5000, ext. 134; TDD (202) 565-2799, or TTY via the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Five original signature copies of the application should be submitted to the Corporation for National and Community Service, 1201 New York Avenue, NW, Room 9207, Attn: Matt Dunne, Director, AmeriCorps*VISTA, Washington, DC, 20525. The Corporation will not accept applications that are submitted via facsimile or e-mail transmission. Applications submitted via overnight mail that arrive after the closing date will be accepted if they are postmarked at least two days prior to the closing date. Otherwise, late applications will not be accepted. For additional information call AmeriCorps*VISTA Headquarters, in Washington, DC, at (202) 606-5000, ext. 134 (see, 65 F.R. 15133, March 21, 2000).

Noxious Weed Regulations; Update of Current Provisions

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) considering revising the noxious weed regulations issued under the Federal Noxious Weed Act in order to maximize their effectiveness. APHIS believes changes may be necessary to improve control and limit the spread of invasive weed species that are not covered under the current noxious weed regulations. APHIS is considering categorizing weeds according to geographic, regulatory, and other criteria. This notice solicits public comment on these categories and on the criteria for assigning weeds to each category. APHIS is also asking the public to help it determine how to prioritize funding resources for existing and future programs. After evaluating public comment on the issues presented in this document, APHIS will determine whether to propose changes to its regulations. APHIS invites the public to comment on this docket.

APHIS will consider all comments it receives by May 19, 2000. Please send original comments and three copies to: Docket No. 98-064-1, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Suite 3C03, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that the comment refers to Docket No. 98-064-1. For additional information, contact Polly Lehtonen, Botanist, Scientific Services, PPD, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737-1236; telephone (301) 734-8896 (see, 65 F.R. 14927, March 20, 2000).

Proposed Reissuance of NPDES Storm Water Multi-Sector General Permit

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, and 10 propose to reissue EPA's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP). This general permit was first issued on September 29, 1995 (60 F.R. 50804), and amended on February 9, 1996 (61 F.R. 5248), February 20, 1996 (61 F.R. 6412), September 24, 1996 (61 F.R. 50020), August 7, 1998 (63 F.R. 42534) and September 30, 1998 (63 F.R. 52430). Today's proposed MSGP is similar to the 1995 permit, as amended, and will authorize the discharge of storm water from industrial facilities consistent with the terms of the permit. The public comment period for the proposed MSGP ends on May 30, 2000. All public comments must be submitted to: ATTN: MSGP-2000 Comments, W-99-26, MC 4101, U.S. EPA, Room EB57, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460. Please submit the original and three copies of your comments and enclosures (including references). Comments must be received or

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postmarked by midnight no later than May 30, 2000. Public meetings (which will include a presentation on the draft permits and a question and answer session) will be held in: Dallas, Texas: May 1, 2000, 1:00 pm, EPA Region 6 Offices, 12th Floor, 1445 Ross Ave., Dallas, Texas; and, Santa Fe, New Mexico: April 24, 2000, 1:00 pm, New Mexico Environment Department Offices, Runnels Building Auditorium, 1190 St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Additional public meets may be scheduled in one or more EPA regions. For times and locations, please visit our MSGP web site at www.epa.gov/owm/sw/industry/msgp/index.htm on the Internet. Pursuant to 40 CFR 124.12, EPA shall hold a public hearing if it finds, on the basis of requests, a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit. If EPA decides to hold a public hearing, a public notice of the date, time and place of the hearing will be made at least 30 days prior to the hearing. Any person may provide written or oral statements and data pertaining to the proposed permit at the public hearing (65 F.R. 17009, March 30, 2000).

Humpback Whale Permit

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announced that Rachel Cartwright, P.O. Box 1317, Lahaina, Hawai'i 96767, has requested an amendment to Scientific Research Permit No. 895-1450-00. Permit No. 895-1450-00 authorizes the permit holder to harass annually up to 1,100 humpback whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*), including mother/calf pairs, during the conduct of scientific research on the whales in Hawai'i waters. The purpose of the research is to study North Pacific humpback whale calf behavior and development. Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before May 1, 2000. The amendment request and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment at: Protected Species Program Manager, Pacific Islands Area Office, NMFS, NOAA, 1601 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1110, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-4700, telephone (808) 973-2935 (see, 65 F.R. 16894, March 30, 2000, for details).

Volunteer/Outreach Coordinator

Ala Wai Watershed Association (AWWA), a nonprofit organization, whose mission is empowering communities to improve water quality in the Ala Wai ahupua'a, is seeking a motivated and community-oriented team player. This individual will collaborate with existing programs and with the Ala Wai team and its partners:

- * to develop and deliver training/community outreach materials tailored to the Ala Wai
- * to coordinate with networks of volunteer organizations
- * to find new avenues for community volunteerism
- * to participate in community outreach/public education efforts
- * to plan, coordinate and represent AWWA at volunteer special events
- * to organize and supervise volunteers and their equipment as needed
- * to provide a lead role in membership enrollment and communication
- * attend to other duties assigned by the Project Coordinator.

Qualifications: BA/BS from a college of recognized standing with 1-2 years of experience in volunteer program coordination and training. Understanding of Ala Wai water quality/watershed issues, knowledge of the seven sub-watershed communities and sensitivity to cultural diversity. Well organized; demonstrate interpersonal skills, writing, computer/data base proficiency. Ability to work flexible hours; volunteer water quality monitoring and GPS/GIS experience a plus.

Compensation: A full-time contract position and compensation is negotiable.

Mail or fax applications to: Judy Nakamura, Center for a Sustainable Future, 2505 Correa Road, #213, Honolulu, HI 96822. FAX: (808) 956-9496. Should you have any questions, please contact Dr. Claudia Hamblin-Katnik at 529-0394.

DEADLINE: April 28, 2000 - 4 pm

Letters of Notice

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

Issue - Beach or Golf Course Erodes 40 feet at Wailua?

Kaua'i attorney Kurt Bosshard has requested that the following letter addressed to the Office of Environmental Quality Control concerning the County of Kaua'i's proposed seawall/revetment at Wailua Beach be published in the Environmental Notice. In the interest of fairness, OEQC will afford the County of Kaua'i and its professional consultant the opportunity to respond in print to Mr. Bosshard's comments. The project was withdrawn and the County is currently conducting early consultation with agencies, organizations and individuals prior to the issuance of a revised draft environmental assessment. Glottal stops have been added. The name of the consultant has been omitted.

"Dear OEQC:

"Much information has been provided in your bulletin and other governmental publications as to the issue of shoreline hardening and beach erosion. The County of Kaua'i, who one would hope has been advised of these issues, is presently proposing the construction of a seawall/revetment at Wailua Beach. [The consultant, an] engineering firm who prepared the Environmental Assessment, has encouraged the County of Kaua'i to employ a seawall/revetment as an erosion control scheme at this site. The proposed structure fronts two of a mile of beautiful unbroken beach.

"Several times previously the County of Kaua'i has illegally dumped fill and commenced construction of seawalls or revetments at the site. The Kaua'i Planning Department and Coastal Zone Management office located therein refused to take enforcement as to these activities although they knew them to be ongoing, significant and illegal. In 1996 the County of Kaua'i was ordered by the Department of Land and Natural Resources Board to remove the fill and boulders from the beach and to obtain public and DLNR input prior to moving forward on permitting for any further structures. A small fine was also imposed.

"[The consultant's] Environmental Assessment was published in December, 1999 and disseminated in January 2000. Despite my repeated attempts to have meaningful input into the Environmental Assessment, [the consultant] requested and received no public input leading up to the issuance of the Environmental Assessment. [The consultant] also failed to address any of the DLNR's concerns as to shoreline hardening or provide any data as to the expected environmental impact of the structure. The Environmental Assessment contained significant misrepresentations as to the project. For example, [the consultant] contends prominently that the Wailua Golf Course has eroded forty feet. The Garden Island Newspaper in its banner article published this allegation. In fact, there has been no erosion to Wailua Golf Course. On three occasions I wrote [to the consultant] and asked it to retract this misstatement as the public was being misled to believe an emergency existed at the golf course requiring immediate installation of such a structure. [The consultant] failed to respond to my letters for over a month until I sent copies of my letters to the DLNR Board. [The consultant] then informed me that the beach in front of the golf course is part of the "project area" which they studied. Therefore, the beach is part of the golf course. As [the consultant] alleges that the beach has eroded forty feet, [it also] claims that it is accurate to claim that the golf course has eroded forty feet. Unfortunately, public debate has already been influenced by these and other misstatements in the Environmental Assessment and by representations of the County of Kaua'i.

"It is difficult for members of the public to counter the resources of governmental agencies and their professional representatives, especially when all the rules are ignored. It is not enough to publish articles that show the government is interested in a subject. The government and its professional representatives should follow the rules or be subject to significant sanctions.

"Thank you for your attention to this matter."

