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The Environmental Notice

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The Environmental Notice provides public notice for projects undergoing environmental review in Hawai'i as mandated under Section 343-3, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, the Environmental Impact Statement Law. Along with publishing Environmental Assessments (EAs) and Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) for projects in Hawai'i. The Environmental Notice also includes other items related to the shoreline, coastal zone, and federal activities.



CCH ENV, Wastewater Engineering and Construction is proposing work at the Wahiawā Wastewater Treatment Plant.

photo from the [project's Final EA](#)

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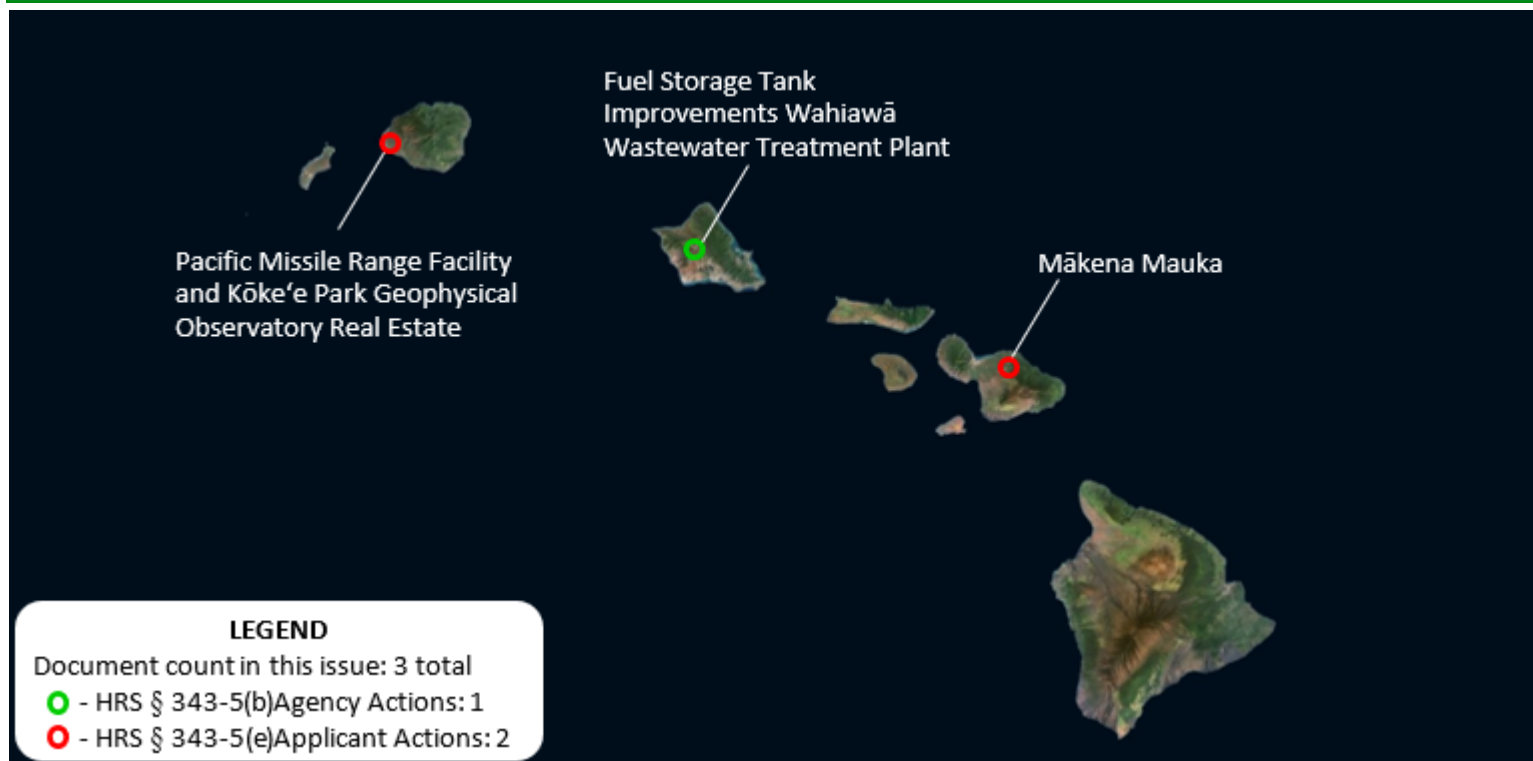
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) is still seeking new members. To learn more about the work of the EAC, visit their [webpage](#). To apply to be on the EAC, submit this [online application](#) under Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism - Environmental Advisory Council.
- Documents submitted **must not fail the Adobe Accessibility Checker to be eligible for publication** (we currently check all 32 of 32 options of the Adobe Accessibility Checker). Our website has an [accessibility page](#) with further information.

STATEWIDE MAP OF EA/EIS DOCUMENTS AND DETERMINATIONS



MAUI EAs/EISS

Mākena Mauka – (Acceptance of the Final EIS)

HRS §343-5(a) Trigger	(1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds (3) Propose any use within a shoreline area (6) Propose any amendments to existing county general plans where the amendment would result in designations other than agriculture, conservation, or preservation
District(s)	Makawao
TMK(s)	(2)2-1-005:108, (2)2-1-006:036 and 057, (2)2-1-007:068, 092 and 093, (2)2-1-008:078, 079, 081, and 090, and (2)2-1-031:036(por.)
Permit(s)	See Chapter IX of the Final EIS; Special Management Area Use Permit; Shoreline Setback Approval; County Special Use Permit; State Land Use Commission District Boundary Amendment; Community Plan Amendment, Change of Zoning; Amendments of Public Utilities Commission Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, and Rules and Regulations.
Approving Agency/ Accepting Authority	County of Maui, Maui Planning Commission Kurt Wollenhaupt, (808) 270-8205, planning@mauicounty.gov 2200 Main Street, One Main Plaza, Suite 315, Wailuku, HI 96793
Applicant	AREG AC Makena Propco LLC; c/o Makena Golf & Beach Club, 5415 Makena Alanui Road, Wailea-Makena, HI 96753 Brad Anderson, (808) 568-0147, eis@makenagbc.com
Consultant	Munekiyo Hiraga; 305 High Street, Suite 104, Wailuku, HI 96793 Mark Roy, (808) 244-2015, makenamauka@munekiyohiraga.com
Status	The FEIS has been accepted by the Accepting Authority

The Applicant proposes the development of Mākena Mauka, a low-density master planned residential community and related amenities. The project will offer market rate housing and residential workforce housing with a mixture of rural and single-family lots and both single-family and multi-family residential units, all located mauka of Makena Alanui Road.

The Applicant is proposing a substantially lower density plan than that presented in the Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (EISPN). This plan reduces the 900 housing units (proposed in the EISPN) to 652 housing units, including 109 onsite residential workforce housing units. The project includes the existing Mākena North Golf Course, the existing to-be renovated Mākena South Golf Course, and will incorporate approximately 135,000 sq. ft. of operational support buildings, including golf maintenance, staff offices, restaurants, back of house, golf operations, and other uses. The project will also include a community gathering place, hiking trails, programs to support connectivity, walking/bicycling/golf cart paths, public beach parking, and areas reserved for conservation, open space, and public beach access.

O'AHU EAs/EISS

Fuel Storage Tank Improvements Wahiawā Wastewater Treatment Plant – Final EA (FONSI)

HRS §343-5(a) Trigger	(1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds
District(s)	Wahiawā
TMK(s)	(1) 7-3-007:002
Permit(s)	None
Proposing/ Determining Agency	City and County of Honolulu, Department of Environmental Services Audrey Uyema Pak, (808) 768-8766, audrey.uyemapak@honolulu.gov 91-1000 Geiger Road, Ewa Beach, HI 96706
Consultant	Townscape, Inc.; 900 Fort Street Mall, Suite 1160. Honolulu, HI 96813 Aaron Teper, (808) 536-6999, aaron@townscapeinc.com
Status	Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) determination

The Wahiawā Wastewater Treatment Plant has an underground storage tank that supplies fuel to a standby generator. The generator automatically activates during a power outage and provides electricity for the treatment plant, including the influent pumps, support equipment, HVAC, and lighting. To comply with current fuel storage regulations and strengthen environmental protection, the City Department of Environmental Services, Division of Wastewater Engineering and Construction, is proposing to replace the existing 6,000-gallon underground fuel storage tank with a new 6,000-gallon aboveground tank. The project also includes replacing the underground fuel piping, fuel monitoring panel, associated sensors, and connecting the new fuel monitoring panel to the supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system.

KAUA'I EAS/EISS

Pacific Missile Range Facility and Kōke'e Park Geophysical Observatory Real Estate– Final EIS Vol 1, Vol 2, Vol 3, Vol 4, and Vol 5

HRS §343-5(a) Trigger	(1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds (2) Propose any use within any land classified as a conservation district
District(s)	Waimea
TMK(s)	(4) 1-2-001:006 (por.), (4) 1-2-001:010, (4) 1-2-002:001 (por.), (4) 1-2-002:010 (por.), (4) 1-2-002:024 (por.), (4) 1-2-002:025, (4) 1-2-002:026, (4) 1-2-002:027, (4) 1-2-002:028, (4) 1-2-002:029, (4) 1-2-016:011 (por.), (4) 1-4-001:002 (por.), (4) 1-4-001:013 (por.), (4) 1-4-001:014 (por.)
Permit(s)	Numerous
Approving Agency	State of Hawai'i, Department of Land and Natural Resources, Land Division Lauren Yasaka, (808) 587-0419, lauren.e.yasaka@hawaii.gov 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, HI 96813
Accepting Authority	State of Hawaii Board of Land and Natural Resources
Applicants	Commander, Navy Region Hawaii Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command 850 Ticonderoga Street, Building 150, Honolulu, HI 96860 William Manley, (808) 473-0662, info@PMRF-KPGO-EIS.com National Aeronautics and Space Administration Shari Miller, (757) 824-2327, GSFC-DL-NEPA@mail.nasa.gov Goddard Space Flight Center; 34200 Fulton Street, Wallops Island, VA 23337
Consultant	Cardno GS-AECOM Pacific Joint Venture; 737 Bishop Street, Suite 3050, Honolulu, HI 96813 Michele Lefebvre, (808) 791-9872, info@PMRF-KPGO-EIS.com
Status	Final EIS has been submitted and is pending acceptance by the accepting authority

The Navy proposes to retain the use of 8,172 acres of State lands on Kaua'i, Hawai'i, for operational continuity and sustainment, in support of continued military training, testing, and facility operations at the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF). The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) proposes to retain the use of 23 acres of State lands on Kaua'i, Hawai'i, in support of continued operations including measurements of the Earth's rotation and local land motion at Kōke'e Park Geophysical Observatory (KPGO).

PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS OPEN FOR COMMENT

Status: The comment period for these projects began in a previous issue. Please click on the links below to read a document, then send comments to the relevant agency and copy any relevant applicant and/or consultant identified in the submission form that follows the initial agency letter.

COMMENTS DUE AUGUST 24, 2026

O'AHU

Iwilei and Kapālama Electrical Infrastructure – Draft EA (AFNSI)

REEFrame: Restoration of Severely Degraded Coral Reefs in Waikiki O'ahu via Permanent Coral Nurseries on 3D Printed Concrete Reef Frameworks – Draft EA (AFNSI)

COMMENTS DUE SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

O'AHU

Kuwale 242 Reservoir Project – Draft EA (AFNSI)

MAUI

Property Acquisition for Kahului Commercial Harbor – Draft EA (AFNSI)

EXEMPTION LISTS REVIEW

The following agency exemption lists, which serve as guidance for the agency in making exemptions, have been submitted to the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) for review and concurrence. At the request of the EAC, these draft exemption lists are being published for public review and comment. Please click on the following links to view the lists and submit any comments by **September 7, 2026** to dbedt.opsd.erp@hawaii.gov.

[County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management](#)

[County of Maui, Department of Fire and Public Safety](#)

[County of Maui, Department of Parks and Recreation](#)

[County of Maui, Department of Public Works](#)

[County of Maui, Department of Water Supply](#)

[State of Hawai'i, Department of Agriculture & Biosecurity – Agricultural Resource Management Division](#)

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT NOTICES

FEDERAL CONSISTENCY REVIEWS

The following federal action is being reviewed for consistency with the enforceable policies of the Hawai'i Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program, including [the CZM objectives and policies in Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Chapter 205A](#). Federal consistency, pursuant to Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA), as amended, generally requires that federal actions, within and outside of the coastal zone, which have reasonably foreseeable effects on any coastal use (land or water) or natural resource of the coastal zone be consistent with the enforceable policies of a state's federally approved coastal management program. Federal actions include federal agency activities, federal license or permit activities, and federal financial assistance activities. This public notice is being provided in accordance with § 306(d)(14) of the CZMA, and federal regulations at 15 CFR § 930.2, § 930.42, and § 930.61. General information about federal consistency is available at the [Hawai'i CZM Program website](#), or call (808) 587-2878.

For specific information or questions about an action listed below, contact the CZM staff person identified for each action. The CZM Program is required to adhere to federal review deadlines, therefore, comments must be received by the date specified. Comments may be submitted by mail or electronic mail, to the addresses below.

Mail: Office of Planning and Sustainable Development
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
P.O. Box 2359, Honolulu, HI 96804

Email: Debra.L.Mendes@hawaii.gov

Mānele Small Boat Harbor Breakwater Repairs, Mānele, Island of Lānaʻi

Proposed Action: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District (USACE) along with the non-federal sponsor, the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DLNR-DOBOR) proposes to repair the existing main breakwater by restoring it to its original design using heavy equipment to remove, reposition, and replace damaged armor stone. Construction will be completed in phases, beginning with the installation of a temporary work platform on the harbor side of the breakwater. Repairs will focus on replacing and resetting armor stones above one foot below mean lower low water (MLLW) while leaving deeper stones undisturbed. Approximately 5,900 tons of existing armor stone will be reused, and about 2,035 tons of new armor stone will be installed.

As work progresses, repairs will extend along the breakwater, including the head of the structure where the existing navigation light will be temporarily removed and reinstalled after repairs are completed. The project will restore the breakwater's protective armor layers to improve structural integrity and maintain harbor protection. Temporary construction materials will be removed upon completion, and any excess armor stone will be disposed of by the contractor.

Location: Mānele Small Boat Harbor, Island of Lānaʻi

TMK: (2) 4-9-017:002 (por.), 003 (por.), 006, and 007

Federal Action: Federal Agency Activity

Federal Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

CZM Contact: Debra Mendes, Debra.L.Mendes@hawaii.gov

Comments Due: **September 8, 2026**

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT NOTICES (CONTINUED)

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) MINOR PERMITS

The SMA Minor permit below has been approved ([HRS § 205A-30](#)). For more information, contact the relevant county/state planning agency: Honolulu [(808) 768-8015]; Hawai'i [East (808) 961-8288], [West (808) 323-4770]; Kaua'i [(808) 241-4050]; Maui [(808) 270-7735]; Kaka'ako or Kalaeloa Community Development District [(808) 587-2846]

Location (TMK)	Description (File No.)	Applicant/Agent
Hawai'i: North Hilo (3-4-003: 036)	As-built one-story, 600-square-foot one-bedroom first-floor dwelling with a 200-square-foot lanai and a 255-square-foot carport. Additionally, construction of a new 34'x12' in-ground at-grade swimming pool with related improvements as a related used to the legally built single-family dwelling (PL-SMM-2026-000097)	Atlas Surrey LLC

SHORELINE NOTICES

APPLICATIONS FOR SHORELINE CERTIFICATION

The shoreline certification applications below are available for review and comment at the Department of Land and Natural Resources offices on Kaua'i, Hawai'i, Maui, or on Oahu at 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220 ([HRS § 205A-42](#) and [HAR § 13- 222-12](#)). **Maps and photos of each application file can be viewed [here](#). 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 15 calendar days from the date of this public notice of the application.** For more information, contact Barry Cheung at barry.w.cheung@hawaii.gov.

File No.	Location	ZIP Code	TMK	Applicant	Owner
OA-2195	91-419 A Ewa Beach Road, Ewa Beach	96706	(1) 9-1-024:024	Wesley T. Tengan	Pacific Brothers Builders LLC
OA-2196	57-497 Honokawela Drive, Kahuku	96731	(1) 5-7-003:045	Walter P. Thompson, Inc.	Pinkston Hawaii LLC
MA-872	146 & 160 Lower Waiehi Beach Rd, Wailuku	96790	(2) 3-2-015:002 & 024	Akamai Land Surveying, Inc.	Alan Wen
MA-873	4221 Lower Honoapiilani Rd, Lahaina	96761	(2) 4-3-010:001	Arthur P. Valencia	Kahana Beach Resort
MA-874	Haneoo Rd, Hana	96713	(2) 1-4-007:009	Akamai Land Surveying, Inc.	State of Hawaii

FEDERAL NOTICES

As a courtesy, listed below are some relevant entries from the Federal Register published since the last issue of *The Environmental Notice*. For more information, click on the title link, also available at www.federalregister.gov.

Notice: [2026 Unified Agenda of Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions](#) (published by the Environmental Protection Agency on 08/14/2026)

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes the Agenda of Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions online at <https://www.reginfo.gov> to periodically update the public. This document contains information about:

- Regulations in the Agenda that are under development, completed, or canceled since the last agenda; and
- Reviews of regulations with small business impacts under section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA).

Notice: [Solicitation of Nominations for Membership on the NOAA Science Advisory Board \(SAB\)](#) (published by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on 08/19/2026)

The NOAA Science Advisory Board (SAB) is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on long- and short-range strategies for research, education and the application of science to resource management and environmental assessment and prediction. The Science Advisory Board is called upon to provide advice to NOAA on a wide variety of topics important to the agency. Because of the breadth of subject matter that the group addresses, they frequently consult with additional experts on specific topics. Certain topics are deemed to be of long-term interest for NOAA and the standing working groups (WGs) were established under the SAB to consult on a regular basis. The SAB WGs consist of experts with whom the SAB consults on a regular basis to address NOAA scientific priorities.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Agency Actions

Projects or programs proposed by any department, office, board, or commission of the state or county government which is part of the executive branch of that government per [HRS 343-2](#).

Applicant Actions

Projects or programs proposed by any person who, pursuant to statute, ordinance, or rule, requests approval for a proposed action per [HRS 343-2](#).

Draft Environmental Assessment

When an Agency or Applicant proposes an action that [triggers](#) HRS 343, an Environmental Assessment shall be prepared at the earliest practicable time to determine whether the action's environmental impact will be significant, and thus whether an environmental impact statement shall be required per [HRS 343-5\(b\)](#), for Agency actions and [HRS 343-5\(e\)](#), for Applicant actions. For actions for which the proposing or approving agency anticipates a Finding of No Significant Impact (AFNSI), a Draft EA (DEA) shall be made available for public review and comment for 30 days and public notice is published in this periodic bulletin.

Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The action's proponent shall respond in writing to comments on a DEA received during the 30-day review period and prepare a Final EA (FEA) that includes those responses to determine whether an environmental impact statement shall be required. If there are no significant impacts, then the Agency will issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will not be required and the project has cleared HRS 343 requirements. The public has 30 days from the notice of a FONSI in this bulletin to challenge the FONSI in the Environmental Court and seek a ruling to require the preparation of an EIS.

Final Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice

An EIS shall be required if the Agency finds that the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment. The Agency shall file notice of such determination with OPSP called an EIS Preparation Notice (EISP) along with the supporting Final EA. After the notice of the FEA-EISP is published in this bulletin, the public has 30 days to request to become a consulted party and to make written comments. The public (including the Applicant) has 60 days from the notice of the EISP in this bulletin to ask a court to not require the preparation of an EIS.

Act 172-2012, Direct-to-EIS, Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (with no EA)

Act 172 in 2012 amended HRS 343 by providing for an agency to bypass the preparation of an environmental assessment for various actions that in the experience of the agency would clearly require the preparation of an EIS. The agency must submit its determination that an EIS is required for an action (Act 172-2012, EISP) with a completed publication form detailing the specifics of the action. This starts a 30-day scoping period in which the agency or applicant must hold a public scoping meeting for the preparation of the Draft EIS. Written comments and responses on the EISP must be incorporated into the subsequent Draft EIS and oral comments from the public scoping meeting must be recorded and submitted to OPSP with the Draft EIS.

HEPA

While technically there is no "Hawai'i Environmental Policy Act," HRS 343 is often referred to by this term.

Act 312-2012, Secondary Actions in the Highway or Public Right Of Way

Act 312-2012, amended HRS 343, by adding a new section ([HRS 343-5.5](#), entitled "Exception to applicability of chapter"). HEPA allows for a statutory exception for "secondary actions" (those that involve infrastructure in the highway or public right-of-way) provided that the permit or approval of the related "primary action" (those outside of the highway or public-right-of-way and on private property) is not subject to discretionary consent and further provided that the applicant for the primary action submits documentation from the appropriate agency confirming that no further discretionary approvals are required. An aid to understanding this is to visualize residential driveway improvements in the public right-of-way, versus, retail outlet driveway improvements in the public right-of-way.

Draft Environmental Impact Statement

After receiving the comments on the EISP, the Agency or Applicant must prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The content requirements of the DEIS shall contain an explanation of the environmental consequences of the proposed action including the direct, indirect and cumulative impacts and their mitigation measures. The public has 45 days from the first publication date in this bulletin to comment on a DEIS.

Final Environmental Impact Statement

After considering all public comments filed during the DEIS stage, the Agency or Applicant must prepare a Final EIS (FEIS). The FEIS must respond in a point-by-point manner to all comments from the draft and must be included in the FEIS. For Applicant projects, the Approving Agency is the Accepting Authority and must make a determination within 30 days or the FEIS is deemed accepted as a matter of law. For an Agency project, the Governor or the Mayor (or their designated representative) is the Accepting Authority, and unlike applicant actions, there is no time limit on the accepting authority reviewing the FEIS. Only after the FEIS is accepted may the project be implemented.

Acceptability

The Accepting Authority must be satisfied that the FEIS meets three criteria (process, content, response to comments) to accept it. Whether the FEIS is accepted or not accepted, notice of the Acceptance Determination is published in this bulletin. The public has 60 days from publication to legally challenge the acceptance of a FEIS. For both Applicant and Agency actions, the Applicant or the proposing Agency can prepare a Revised DEIS after a non-acceptance determination.



Maui Sunset

Photo by [Thomas Hawk](#)**National Environmental Policy Act**

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires federal projects to prepare a Federal EA or EIS. In many ways it is similar to Hawai'i's law. Some projects require both a State and Federal EIS and the public comment procedure should be coordinated. Upon request by a federal agency, OPSP publishes NEPA notices in this bulletin to help keep the public informed of important federal actions.

Conservation District

Proposed uses of land in the State Conservation District require a Conservation District Use Application (CDUA). These applications are reviewed and approved/denied by the Department or Board of Land and Natural Resources. Members of the public may intervene in the permit process. This bulletin will include EAs & EISs for actions proposed within the Conservation District.

Special Management Area and Shoreline Setback Area

The Special Management Area (SMA) is along the coastline of all islands; development in this area is generally regulated by [HRS 205A](#), and county ordinance. A portion of the SMA that is addressed by HRS 343 is the [Shoreline Area](#), which includes land between the State-certified shoreline and the county-determined shoreline setback line. This bulletin will include EAs & EISs for actions proposed within the Shoreline Setback Area. Some projects going through the SMA permit process on O'ahu are also required to go through an environmental review process that mirrors HRS 343; these "ROH Chapter 25" EAs/EISs are included in this bulletin.

Shoreline Certifications

State law requires that Hawai'i shorelines be surveyed and certified when necessary to clearly establish the shoreline setback from the certified shoreline. The public may participate in the process to help assure accurate regulatory boundaries. Private land owners often petition to have their shoreline certified by the State surveyor prior to construction. This bulletin publishes notice from the Department of Land and Natural Resources of shoreline certification applicants and final certifications or rejections.

Environmental Advisory Council

The [Environmental Advisory Council](#) is a 15-member citizen board appointed by the Governor. They serve as a liaison between the Director of OPSP and the general public concerning ecology and environmental quality. Agendas of their regular meetings are posted on the Internet and the public is invited to attend.

Agency Exemption Lists

Government agencies may keep a list describing the minor activities they regularly perform that are exempt from the environmental review process. These lists and any amendments shall be submitted to the Council for review and concurrence ([HAR 11-200.1-16](#)). This bulletin will publish an agency's draft exemption list for public comment prior to Council decision making, as well as notice of the Council's decision on the list.

Endangered Species

This bulletin is required by [HRS 343-3\(c\)](#), to publish notice of public comment periods or public hearings for Habitat Conservation Plans (HCP), Safe Harbor Agreements (SHA), or Incidental Take Licenses (ITL) under the federal Endangered Species Act, as well as availability for public inspection of a proposed HCP or SHA, or a proposed ITL (as a part of an HCP or SHA).