SENATOR DONNA MERCADO KIM

PROUDLY SERVING DISTRICT 14

MOANALUA VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY REPORT

JTF-Red Hill Defueling

Sen. Kim joined members of the Senate Committees on Agriculture and Environmental (AEN)and Health and Human Services (HHS)

at a joint legislative info briefing on Nov. 2, 2023.

Navy officials not only updated legislators on

the Joint Task Force (JTF) Red Hill Defueling that is currently in progress, but they also emphasized its commitment to rebuilding trust with the community.

As of Nov. 6, the Navy reported removing approximately 62,466,890 gallons. The defueling is being conducted Monday through

<image>

Image: Construction of the second secon

Fuel Tank Advisory Committee Meeting

The next Fuel Tank Advisory Committee (FTAC) hybrid meeting is scheduled for Wed., Nov. 15, 2023 from 1pm -5pm. The presentations will include Navy updates on defueling, closure and remediation, followed by a public Q & A session.

The public is invited to attend either at the Blaisdell Center, Pikaki Room or via Zoom. To receive a Zoom link, register in advance at <u>https://hawaii.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_LnUsPj4</u> <u>BRRqxPKdFyQXCeg.</u>

The meeting will be recorded and will also be broadcast live on 'Ōlelo Channel OLELO49.



November 2023

Special Session at the Legislature

The Senate will convene in a special session on Nov. 20 and 21 to take up the Governor's appointments of both Lisa M. Ginoza and Vladimir Devens as justices for the Hawaii State Supreme Court. Ginoza is currently the chief of the Intermediary Court of Appeals, and Devens is a private practice attorney in Honolulu. The appointments are subject to Senate confirmation.

Moanalua Rock Fall Update

A quarterly meeting of the U.S. Army's Terrain Mitigation Working Group is scheduled to meet on Nov. 8, 2023. Sen. Kim will participate in the meeting with representatives from the Army, Hawaii Congressional delegates, and neighborhood board to continue discussions for a solution to the existing hazards and issues regarding rocks /boulders and vegetation.



Civil Defense Emergency Siren Update

A temporary siren at Moanalua Valley Park sounded off on the first of this month's test. Constituents reached out to both Sen. Kim and Rep. Aiu's office that the siren was not working. A Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) spokesperson explained that the siren unit at that location is one of the older installations in its system, and when it was most recently inspected, the siren team determined that it was inoperable and could no longer be repaired. Normally, this would make it a candidate for an upgrade under the siren modernization effort authorized by the Legislature. However, in the years since the siren was originally installed, additional utilities and related infrastructure have been added to the site. As a result, it is no longer considered a feasible site for a replacement siren. HI-EMA's siren team is working with their partners at the City and County of Honolulu to identify a different site nearby that would be suitable for a siren, and to secure the necessary permissions to install a new siren there. HI-EMA will provide more information about this effort when it becomes available.

Sidewalk on Mahiole Street ADA Compliant Update

In response to a constituent's concern that the curb fronting Moanalua Elementary on Mahiole Street was not ADA compliant, Sen. Kim inquired and received an update that the City will perform a mid-block crosswalk evaluation as well as look into funding to design/construct four new curb ramps at the driveway fronting the school.

Problem with Feral Chickens?

The Feral Chicken Working Group is scheduled to meet the first week of December to continue discussions carried over from August. The working group's membership consist of State and City agencies. They are charged with collaborating on effective ways to address the Feral Chicken issues and submit a report to the Legislature no later than 30 days before the 2024 Legislative Session. At this time, the City is working with Sandwich Isle Pest Solutions to fund a portion of the cost to private property owners to catch and dispose of feral chickens.



November 2023

Veterans Day A Day to Honor All Veterans of War



The USS Missouri Memorial will hold a Veterans Day Sunset Ceremony on Sat., Nov. 11, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. onboard the Battleship Missouri Memorial, Pearl Harbor. The event is open to the public and free of charge. A complimentary shuttle from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center to Ford Island is available.

For more information on the event including parking and the Pearl Harbor No Bag Policy, visit https://ussmissouri.org/events/community-events/ veterans-day-ceremony



Holiday Season

The Honolulu Police is urging everyone to drive safely especially now that Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year festivities are upon us.

Extra Sobriety Check Points

HPD is urging responsible driving this holiday season and will be setting up randomized impaired driver checkpoints from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31

The checkpoints will be set up at unannounced times and locations around Oahu

Moanalua Elementary School Fun Fair



November 2023