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## Wahiawa Freshwater Park Receives Funding for New Master Plan

**Chair:** Committee on Ways and Means

**Member:** Committee on Education

I am pleased to report that the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) has received \$250,000 to create a proof-of-concept masterplan of the Wahiawa Freshwater Park. The state agency DLNR aims to revamp the Freshwater Park to provide additional activities for the community.

Working with my colleagues this past session, we appropriated the funding for this project, and the Governor recently approved release of the funds to DLNR. The department has tasked the University of Hawaii Community Design Center (UHCDC) to develop a preliminary master plan for the facility.



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Currently, the park is very underutilized but has the potential to be a great recreational destination for both local residents and visitors. A few items the UH CDC team is seeking to incorporate are new recreational activities such as park golf, frisbee disc golf, bass fishing tournaments, and cabins and lodging. In addition to the previously mentioned improvements, park concepts could also include additional access points into the park area.

Through the partnership with UH CDC, the State is also working with a UH Manoa School of Architecture design studio class. The students in the course are working on developing ideas and preliminary schematic concepts for the park. The renderings below are from students at UH and are not yet actual UH CDC proof-of-concept work. UH CDC will reach out to the community in the near future to ensure community input into the project.

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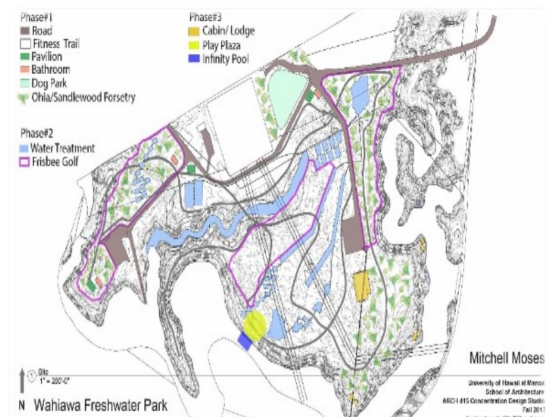
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I will continue to work with my colleagues in the upcoming legislative sessions to secure the remaining funds needed for the implementation of the master plan and look forward to the potential of a revitalized community asset.



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## *Working for the Community!*



**(Left)** My colleagues and I presented a certificate to outgoing Hawaii Army National Guard Commander and Brigadier General Keith Y. Tamashiro. The incoming commander is Brigadier General Kenneth S. Hara.

**(Middle & Right)** As we prepare for next January's Legislative session, the Senate Ways & Means Committee has been visiting different sites over the past two weeks on our neighbor islands. Recently, the committee visited various affordable housing projects, state parks, harbors, and public school campuses on Maui and Hawaii Island.

## *Projects for the District!*

I am pleased to announce that the following school in the Leilehua Complex will be seeing a critical project move forward at its campus:

- **Wahiawa Elementary School**

Tory's Roofing & Waterproofing, Inc: \$232,000 for miscellaneous repair and maintenance

Please bear in mind that there will be some disruption and disturbance during the construction period. For more information, please contact the Department of Education Facilities Development Branch.

## *Upcoming Community Meeting*

### **Animal Quarantine Station selected as preferred location for new O'ahu Community Correctional Center**

The Department of Public Safety has announced that they have completed the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the relocation of the O'ahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC). The Draft EIS has identified the Animal Quarantine Station in Halawa as the preferred site.

The public comment period on the Draft EIS began on November 8, 2017 and will end on January 8, 2018. PSD will also host a public meeting to share its findings and to allow for public comments and input concerning the Draft EIS and the proposed project:

**WHEN: 7:00 PM, Wednesday, November 29, 2017**

**WHERE: Aloha Stadium Hospitality Room  
99-500 Salt Lake Boulevard, Honolulu, Hawai'i**

Additional information concerning the OCCC project can be found at <http://dps.hawaii.gov/occc-future-plans>. Should you have any questions, please contact 808-587-1358.