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Future of the Oahu Community Correctional Center

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The Hawaii Department of Public Safety (PSD) has recently completed the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Throughout Draft EIS preparation, PSD officials considered correspondence and other indications of interest or concern on the part of the public regarding the proposed action. Federal, State, and county officials, regulatory agencies, stakeholder groups, and others were also consulted throughout preparation of the Draft EIS.

After careful review of the extensive research and analysis conducted by the OCCC Project Team, PSD and the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) have established the following preferences regarding the four alternative sites for development of a new OCCC facility:

- Animal Quarantine Station Site – Preferred #1
- Halawa Correctional Facility (HCF) Site – Preferred #2
- Existing Oahu Community Correctional Center Site – Optional only if required
- Mililani Technology Park (MTP) Lot 17 Site – Optional only if required

The Animal Quarantine Station site has been selected as the preferred location for the future home of OCCC. This site was chosen from among the four viable sites, out of an inventory of 12 potential sites, based on the site's considerable positive aspects and relative lack of issues requiring mitigation. PSD and DAGS are confident that the Animal Quarantine Station site is the best choice for the future home of OCCC, both for PSD and the State of Hawaii.

How to Obtain a Copy of the Draft EIS:

Copies of the Draft EIS are available for downloading or viewing from the following sources:

- OEQC direct link to the document: http://oeqc2.doh.hawaii.gov/EA_EIS_Library/2017-11-08-OA-DEIS-Replacement-of-Oahu-Community-Correctional-Center.pdf, or visit the online EA/EIS Library through the OEQC website: <http://health.hawaii.gov/oeqc/>
- OEQC's The Environmental Notice for November 8, 2017 (link provided within the Notice)
- SmartComment link set up for the OCCC project: <http://futureoccc.commentinput.com/?id=4fGhu>
- OCCC Future Plans website: <http://dps.hawaii.gov/occc-future-plans>
- Printed copies are available at: Hawaii State Public Library, Kalihi-Palama Public Library, Aiea Public Library, Mililani Public Library, Kailua Public Library, and Hawaii Kai Regional Library

Working for the Community!



(Left) The Senate convened for the 2017 Third Special Session to confirm four judicial appointees to the Circuit Court of the First Circuit (Oahu) and the District Family Court of the First Court.

(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 Mililani Complex will be seeing a critical project move forward at its campus:

Miliani Mauka Elementary School

- Pacific Power Electrical Contracting LLC: \$421,888 to upgrade campus fire alarms

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 Meetings

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.