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MESSAGE FROM KALANI

Our district did very well in the state budget, with \$361,622,000 in Capital Improvement Projects that improve our schools, roads and other public infrastructure.

We also continue planning for the 13th Festival of Pacific Arts in 2020, which will include delegations from 28 countries in the region.

Finally, we take a moment to honor our veterans, to remember their great sacrifices and to be thankful for our peaceful democracy.

J. Kalani English

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HAWAI'I STATE SENATE 7TH DISTRICT

HĀNA, EAST AND UPCOUNTRY MAUI, MOLOKA'I, LĀNA'I AND KAHO'OLAWÉ



FESTPAC COMMISSION CONVENES FOR THIRD MEETING

The Thirteenth Festival of Pacific Arts and Culture (FESTPAC) commission convened on May 23 for their third meeting at the Hawai'i Convention Center. Commission Chair Sen. English opened the meeting by providing a legislative report on the outcome of SB2693 CD1, which relates to the Festival and appropriates \$950,000 to plan for the Festival in 2020. The bill now is pending approval by the Governor.

The theme of the festival is E tū i ka hoe uli, i tohi i ta pale tai (take hold of the steering paddle, and press it against the boat's side). A schedule of events was voted on by the commission that includes a welcoming arrival of canoes by each of the twenty-nine delegations, a floral parade of nations, workshops, performances and much more.

Taiwan will be participating as an official delegation. Pacific Islanders descend from early Taiwanese and other East Asian voyagers through linguistic commonalities and as members of the Austronesian language family. Deputy Director James Huang of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Honolulu will serve as the commission' liaison with the Taiwan Government, who has pledged to support the festival's efforts.

"Our report to the Council of Ministers was well received by the regional governments and they are excited about our plans for the festival," said Sen. English. "Twenty-four months may seem far away, but we have an enormous task, which will require us to boost fundraising efforts to meet our \$28 million goal, create work deadlines to ensure timely progress and continuing to reach out to potential partners in both the public and private sectors."



Festival Director Vicky Holt-Takamine and Kumu Hula Michael Pili Pang reports on planning to the commission. May 23, 2018.

THE COUNCIL OF PACIFIC ARTS AND THE PACIFIC MINISTERS FOR CULTURE MEETING

MAUI MANA'O 2018 AVAILABLE ONLINE



An official Hawai'i delegation participated in the 28th Meeting of the Council of Pacific Arts and Culture and the 4th Culture Ministers Meeting on May 15-17 in Nadi, Fiji. Sen. English led the delegation which included Kumu Mapuana de Silva, Kalani Ka'ana'ana and Jamie Lum; other members included: Kumu Vicky Holt-Takamine, Tommilynn Benavente, Momi Kamahele, Michael Pili Pang and Jamie and Randie Fong.

The Pacific Community (SPC) hosted the event that was attended by all countries from the region. The meeting encourages governments to continue to invest in preserving the various traditions, culture and art of the Pacific Island countries.



Key topics that were discussed were the implementation of the **2nd phase of the Regional Cultural Strategy (2010-2020)** and the preparation for the 13th Festival of Pacific Arts and Culture in 2020. Discussions included how to strengthen the voice of the Pacific at the global level through UNESCO culture conventions and other mechanisms that provide support to culture.

"These meetings provide a great platform for Pacific Island countries to meet and collaborate on how to preserve our unique language, culture and practices in this fast changing world," noted Sen. English. "I believe that it is important for us to heed the advice of Fijian President Jioji Konrote who urged us to make use of new technology as a vehicle for our cultures to be preserved and passed on to future generations."



Maui Senators J. Kalani English, Roz Baker and Gil Keith-Agaran wrapped up the 2018 Legislative session by discussing major highlights with host Jill Kuramoto in episodes 20-22 of Maui Mana'o.



Maui Mana'o: Ep - 20 2018 Session - Episode 1
<https://bit.ly/2J9Lhhp>

Maui Mana'o: Ep - 21 2018 Session - Episode 2
<https://bit.ly/2Jp6x6d>

Maui Mana'o: Ep - 22 2018 Session - Episode 3
<https://bit.ly/2sCAi96>



Sen. Keith-Agaran, Sen. Baker and Sen. English during the filming of Maui Mana'o Episode 21, 2018 Session-Episode 2. April 17, 2018.

FUNDS RELEASED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

\$492,344 in funds were released to finance gym renovations at Moloka'i High School.

\$361,622,000 Appropriated For 2017-2018 7th District Capital Improvement Projects

The following are the Capital Improvements Projects (CIPs) that were included in the executive budget for the 7th District for 2017-2018:

\$4,500,000 - EAST MAUI WATER SYSTEMS - plans, design, and construction for irrigation and water delivery systems for agricultural enterprises and/or agricultural purposes in east Maui.

\$1,300,000 - HA'IKŪ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - plans, land acquisition, design, and construction for school expansion and to replace roof; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$20,000 - HĀNA HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - design and construction to install flag-pole.

\$12,500,000 - KALAMA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL - plans, design, and construction for improvements or expansion of the music band room and for the outdoor covered play court; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$1,350,000 - KING KEKAULIKE HIGH SCHOOL - plans, design, and construction for a new girls' softball batting cage including storage; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$230,000 - KUALAPU'U ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - plans, design, and construction to replace roof; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$3,000,000 - KULA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - design and construction of a portable trailer office and/or classroom including a covered area with storage units at the old Keokea Elementary school; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$1,434,000 - LĀNA'I HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - plans, design, and construction for building renovations; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$800,000 - MAKAWAO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - plans, design, and construction of covered walkways and for a play court; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$2,000,000 - PĀ'IA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - design for a new classroom building; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$1,500,000 - PUKALANI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - design and construction for improvements, renovations, expansion, and development of existing structures and new facilities and ADA ramp for the covered walkway; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$4,000,000 - HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS LOT DEVELOPMENT, keokea-waiohuli - design and construction for the development of agricultural off-site water system; development of phase 2 site improvements (76 lots) and for the repair and

maintenance of archaeological preservation improvements.

\$3,000,000 - HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS LOT DEVELOPMENT, MOLOKA'I - design and construction for the development of Naiwa subdivision and scattered lots site improvements.

\$17,500,000 - PULEHUNUI SITE IMPROVEMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE - plans, design, and construction for site improvements and infrastructure development for sewage treatment system improvements.

\$1,200,000 - HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE, KULA - design and construction for the repair and maintenance of roadway safety and drainage improvements.

\$4,000,000 - MOLOKA'I VETERANS CENTER - plans, design, construction and equipment for parking lot portable facility and installation of septic tank and photovoltaic system; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances in Ho'olehua to provide services to veterans and homestead residents.

\$11,000,000 - KAMEHAMENUI FOREST ACQUISITION ADDITION TO KULA FOREST RESERVE - land acquisition of 3277 acres in upcountry Maui for addition to the Kula forest reserve for reforestation and public recreation and benefit.

\$3,500,000 - UPCOUNTRY MAUI EXPLORATORY WELL - plans, design, and construction for an exploratory well; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$3,000,000 - KAHŌ'OLAWÉ ISLAND RESERVE NATIVE DRYLAND FOREST PLANTING - plans, design, construction, and equipment for Kahō'olawé Island Reserve Commission to support native dryland forest restoration, management, and maintenance.

\$9,500,000 - UPCOUNTRY MAUI AGRICULTURAL PARK - land acquisition, design, and construction for the development of an agricultural park in upcountry Maui, with matching funds from the county of Maui; scope of the project to include land acquisition, engineering, and irrigation infrastructure; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

\$4,000,000 - OLD HALEAKALĀ HIGHWAY SIDEWALK - plans, land acquisition, design, construction, and equipment of sidewalk along one side of old Haleakalā Highway from Makawao avenue to Pukalani street; provided that partial matching funds be provided by the county of Maui.

\$133,028,000 - KAHULUI AIRPORT - design and construction for improvements to the terminal, commuter terminal, security fence, electrical system, and other related improvements; upgrading the common use passenger processing system; hold room and gate improvements; baggage handling system improvements; lease lots; and plans for a federal environmental impact statement.

\$2,000,000 - HĀNA AIRPORT - design and construction for renovations to the baseyard building and other related improvements.

\$7,250,000 - MOLOKA'I AIRPORT - design and construction for terminal improvements to include electrical and sewer replacement or upgrades, installation of new restrooms, and other related improvements.

\$4,500,000 - KALAUPAPA AIRPORT - construction for the installation of a new aircraft rescue and fire fighting garage, renovation of the terminal, replacement of airfield lighting, and other related improvements.

\$30,308,000 - LĀNA'I AIRPORT - design and construction for renovations to the baseyard building; new restrooms near the gates; and runway reconstruction and extension.

\$3,702,000 - HĀNA PIER SUPERSTRUCTURE - design and construction of improvements to remove the Hāna pier superstructure.

\$2,000,000 - HALEAKALĀ HIGHWAY WIDENING AT MILE POST 0.8 - construction for widening the highway from one lane to two lanes, extending a box culvert and constructing headwalls and wing walls.

\$3,250,000 - HĀNA HIGHWAY BRIDGE PRESERVATION PLAN - land acquisition and design for developing a bridge preservation plan for Hāna highway in the vicinity of the Hāna preservation district.

\$4,000,000 - HĀNA HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS, HUELO TO HĀNA - construction for improving, upgrading and/or repairing roadways, bridges, walls, drainage structures, guardrails, and other facilities on route 360 Hāna highway.

\$20,000,000 - HĀNA HIGHWAY MITIGATION - plans, design, and construction to mitigate rockfalls, vegetation and potential landslide areas along the slopes of Hāna highway, route 360, at various locations.

\$800,000 - HĀNA HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS, VICINITY OF MILEPOST 28.1 - land acquisition and construction for roadway widening and/or realignment and other improvements along Hāna highway in the vicinity of milepost 28.1.

\$6,200,000 - HĀNA HIGHWAY ROCKFALL MITIGATION, HUELO TO HĀNA - design and construction to mitigate rockfalls and potential landslide areas along the slopes of route 360 Hāna highway at various locations.

\$52,750,000 - PĀ'IA BYPASS - plans, land acquisition, design, construction and equipment for alternative traffic improvements in the vicinity of Pā'ia town.

\$2,500,000 - KULA HIGHWAY - plans, land acquisition, design, construction, and equipment for a traffic signal at the intersection of Kula highway and Omaopio road.

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MAUI COUNTY VETERANS COUNCIL HOLDS MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

The Maui County Veterans Council (MCVC) held a Memorial Day Ceremony on May 28 at the Makawao Veterans Cemetery. This year's theme, "Fallen Yet Not Forgotten" honors the memory of those brave men and women who gave their life for the protection of our freedom.

The annual ceremony featured music, speeches, recognition for the Maui County veterans who died within the past year and the traditional shower of 10,000 petals dropped from a helicopter.

This event also featured the unveiling of the newly dedicated Vietnam War Monument at the Maui Veterans Ceremony. The new monument has four sides: one honoring the branches of the military, prisoners of war and those missing in action; another displaying photos of the battlefield; one with the names of those killed in action and another with a map of Vietnam.

"The service members that we honor possessed courage, pride, determination, selflessness, dedication to duty and integrity—all the qualities needed to serve a cause larger than one's self," said Sen. English. "We must do what we can to honor the memory of the fallen and to commemorate the sacrifices that they made for us and for our country."

