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Pearl Ridge Elementary School to Receive Funds for Electrical Upgrades

HONOLULU, April 5, 2012: Governor Neil Abercrombie announced the release of \$1,150,000 in educational special funds for the design, construction and works of art for electrical upgrades at Pearl Ridge Elementary School, to support the use of technology.

Design of project is slated to start in July 2012 with an estimated completion date of January 2013. Construction is set to start in June 2013 and finish in February 2014. The upgrades will include various electrical system improvements (e.g., upgrading transformers, electrical outlets, conduits, and electrical control panels) and will support the increasing use of technology at the school.

"These upgrades will enable Pearl Ridge Elementary School to utilize the latest technology to provide our children with the tools they need to learn and compete in this age of rapidly evolving technological innovation," said Rep. Heather Giugni (District 33 – Aiea, Halawa Valley, Halawa Heights, Aiea Heights).

"Bringing this technology to our classrooms, to our students, and to our future is a huge milestone for the Pearl Ridge Elementary community and for the State of Hawai'i," added Rep. Giugni. "It's essential that we give our keiki every resource possible to help them succeed and these improvements represent a major step in the right direction."

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