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### **Kekaha Landfill Changes Proposed, Public Feedback Requested**

HONOLULU — The Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) is taking this opportunity to remind the public that DOH and Kauai County issued a public notice on Dec. 25, 2013, regarding a public hearing and review period for the proposed renewal and modification to the Kekaha Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) landfill permit. Kauai County and Waste Management of Hawaii, Inc. are requesting continuance of landfill operations and to increase the overall landfill height to 120 feet above mean sea level. The proposed changes are outlined in the draft solid waste management renewal and modification permit which are posted at <http://health.hawaii.gov/shwb/solid-waste>.

Public and community feedback is requested regarding the drafted documents and may be submitted by mail until Jan. 30, 2014, or at the public hearing that evening from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Waimea Neighborhood Center. Waimea Neighborhood Center is located at 4556 Makeke Rd., Waimea, Kauai, 96796 and can be reached at (808) 338-1122.

“It’s an opportunity for community members to participate in the permit approval process,” said Steven Chang, Environmental Engineer Program manager with the DOH Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch. “Originally, we had notified the public about the hearing around Christmas and we know that is a busy time of year. We wanted to remind everyone that the public comment period is ending soon.”

Public questions or comments can be mailed to the following addresses where the permit application and draft permit are also available for viewing:

Kekaha MSW Landfill  
6900-D Kaumualii Hwy.  
Kekaha, HI 96752  
Phone: (808) 337-1416

Kauai County Solid Waste Division  
4444 Rice St., Room 295  
Lihue, HI 96766  
Phone: (808) 241-4839

Hawaii State DOH Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch

919 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 212  
Honolulu, HI 96814  
(808) 586-4226

The DOH, Solid Waste and Hazardous Waste Branch regulates standards governing the design, construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of solid waste disposal, recycling, reclamation, and transfer systems. These standards prevent water and air pollution, prevent the spread of disease, protect the public health and safety, conserve natural resources and preserve and enhance the beauty and quality of the environment.

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