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**HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CITES DEPARTMENT OF  
HAWAIIAN HOMELANDS FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE VIOLATIONS**

HONOLULU -- The Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) Solid & Hazardous Waste Branch has issued a Notice of Violation and Order (NOVO) to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) for violations of the hazardous waste and used oil regulations. DHHL has been ordered to clean up abandoned hazardous wastes and used oils found at the former Kalaeloa Raceway Park (KRP), an operation that was part of SORT (Save Our Raceway Track), LLC. DHHL leased the property to SORT, LLC., but subsequently evicted them. The former KRP location is on Coral Sea Road in Kalaeloa.

After receiving complaints about the former raceway track site, DOH conducted an onsite inspection on Oct. 14, 2014 and documented hazardous wastes and used oil releases on the property.

As a major landowner and lessor in Hawaii, DHHL will be required to properly dispose of remaining hazardous wastes and conduct a site characterization of the property for contaminants associated with the automotive and race track operations to determine the magnitude of contamination and risks that it presents to human health and the environment. Upon completion of the site characterization, DHHL must submit a corrective action plan that meets the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulatory cleanup requirements. No monetary penalties have been imposed for the violations. DHHL has requested a hearing to contest the NOVO.

The Hazardous Waste Section of the Department of Health regulates the generation, transportation, treatment, storage, and disposal of hazardous waste in Hawaii. The program protects Hawaii lands from pollutants that endanger people and the environment and

insures environmentally sound and cost-effective management of all hazardous waste generated within the state.

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