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**Department of Health issues public notice for draft solid waste  
management permit for South Hilo Landfill**  
*Public comments accepted until March 19*

HONOLULU – The Hawai'i Department of Health (DOH) Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch has issued a public notice on the draft renewal and modification permit for the South Hilo Sanitary Landfill. Written comments will be accepted until March 19. A copy of the permit application and draft permit are available at <http://health.hawaii.gov/shwb/solid-waste/> and at the DOH's Hilo office at 1582 Kamehameha Ave.

The South Hilo landfill plans to close sometime in 2019 and this permit approves an “alternative cover design.” The previously prescribed cover system requires 18 inches of low permeable soil with 6 inches of top soil on the surface. The “alternative cover design” incorporates a synthetic geomembrane and a turf layer, which will be more resistant to erosion.

To view the full public notice go to: <https://health.hawaii.gov/shwb/files/2019/01/Public-Notice-for-SHLF-rev.pdf>.

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