



**STATE OF HAWAII**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
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Aloha,

The Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) invites you to an informal informational meeting to discuss proposed changes to the Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 281 - Underground Storage Tanks (USTs). You are receiving this letter because you are an owner and/or operator of an UST system in Hawaii or you have affiliations with someone who is. Please forward this information to anyone who may be interested in attending.

The DOH UST Program is currently working on updates to its regulations, including EPA-mandated changes to make the state regulations at least as stringent as the federal UST rules by October 2018. A draft of these proposed changes is now available on our website, along with a set of answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs). Below is a table of some highlighted federal and state changes.

Please go to <http://health.hawaii.gov/shwb/underground-storage-tanks/> for more information.

<b>Some new requirements (not a complete list)</b>	<b>Reference in proposed regs</b>
Monthly and annual walkthrough inspections	§36
Sump and under dispenser containment testing once every three years	§35(a)(2)
Phase out of ball floats for overfill protection	§20(f)(3)
In three years, release detection for UST systems installed before August 9, 2013 that store fuel solely for use by emergency power generators	§10(a)(1)(B)
Earlier reporting of initial abatement steps (20 days), initial site characterization (45 days), and free product removal (45 days)	§§62, 63, 64
Tanks temporarily closed for one year must be permanently closed, unless the department grants an extension; a site assessment is required for an extension request	§70(c)
Additional regulation of airport hydrant systems and UST systems with field constructed tanks	subchapter 11
In ten years, secondary containment for tanks installed before August 9, 2013	§20(b)(2)
Changes to permit fees	§335

We will be conducting informal informational meetings to discuss the proposed changes. Below is the schedule and venue information.

**HILO, Hawaii**

**Wednesday, January 17, 2018**

10am – 12pm

~~Hawaii District Health Office – Hilo~~

~~75 Aupuni Street, #201~~

**Hawaii Environmental Health Office – Hilo  
1582 Kamehameha Avenue**

Hilo, HI 96720

**HONOLULU, Oahu**

**Friday, January 19, 2018**

10am – 12pm

919 Ala Moana Blvd., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, HI 96814

**KAILUA-KONA, Hawaii**

**Tuesday, January 23, 2018**

10am – 12pm

West Hawaii Civic Center

Liquor Control Conference Room

Building B, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

74-5044 Ane Keohokalole Highway

Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

**HONOLULU, Oahu**

**Monday, January 22, 2018**

10am – 12pm

919 Ala Moana Blvd., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, HI 96814

**WAILUKU, Maui**

**Thursday, January 25, 2018**

10am – 12pm

Wailuku State Office Bldg.

54 High Street

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Conf. Room B

Wailuku, HI 96793

**KAPOLEI, Oahu**

**Monday, January 29, 2018**

8:30am – 10:30am

State Office Building – Kakuhihewa  
601 Kamokila Blvd., Room 577 A&B  
Kapolei, HI 96707

**LIHUE, Kauai**

**Thursday, February 1, 2018**

9am – 11am

Kauai District Health Office

3040 Umi Street, Bldg. 101

Lihue, HI 96766

If you have any questions about these meetings or the changes to the rules, please contact Roxanne Kwan or Noa Klein before January 8, 2018, and Thu Perry starting on January 8, at (808) 586-4226.

To request an auxiliary aid or service (e.g. ASL interpreter, large print) for attending the public meetings, call (808) 586-4226 (voice or TDD) or e-mail [thu.perry@doh.hawaii.gov](mailto:thu.perry@doh.hawaii.gov) five business days prior to the meeting date.