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KALIHI- PALAMA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD COMMUNITY REPORT

Community Wildfire Protection Plan



Sen. Kim has had many concerns brought to her attention regarding the overall safety of property, particularly in light of the recent devastating wildfires on Maui. There are dry, arid areas in Senate District 14, such as but not limited to the Alewa, Red Hill, and Moanalua areas.

Residents worry about the effects a wildfire might impose on their home. Sen. Kim has inquired with the Dept. of Land and Natural Resources—Division of Forestry and Wildlife about a state fire emergency plan, to which they've informed us of Community Wildfire Protection Plans. These plans are geographically based and usually community-initiated. There is no record of such a plan in our community, so Sen. Kim is reaching out to the Division's Fire Management Officer, Michael Walker, to learn more about how to meet the upcoming application deadline.



Oahu's All-Hazard Outdoor Warning Siren System Defined

- **"STEADY TONE" Attention Alert Signal** - follow emergency information and instructions in the form of a local radio, television station broadcast, or cellular Wireless Emergency Alert.
- **"WHOOPIING TONE" HAZMAT-Warning** - actual HAZMAT incident requiring emergency notification of residents within the vicinity of Campbell Industrial Park. You may need to shelter in place.
- **"HIGH/LOW TONE" Tamper Alert** - unauthorized tampering may be occurring of a siren.
- **Monthly Siren Alert** - 11:45 am first business day of each month.
- **Out of Cycle Tests** - Usually to test new equipment, residents will be notified of out of cycle siren tests.
- **Malfunctioning Siren** - If you hear a siren sound and there is no emergency information being broadcasted over TV, radio, HNL.info, or official social media, it's more than likely a malfunctioning unit.



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September 2023

Caution to Those Seeking to Donate to Maui Wildfire Relief

With the outpouring of donations and hosting of various fundraisers to help the victims of the Lāhainā wildfires, Attorney General Anne Lopez is reminding the public to carefully research before they either donate or create a fundraising event. Before making a donation, Hawai'i residents are encouraged to verify if a charity is legitimate by checking its status on the following:

- Hawai'i Attorney General: <https://charity.ehawaii.gov/charity/welcome.html>
- IRS Tax Exempt Organization Search: <https://apps.irs.gov/app/eos/>
- Charity Navigator: <https://www.charitynavigator.org/>
- DCCA Business Search: <https://hbe.ehawaii.gov/documents/search.html>

Any questions or complaints about a scam charity or suspicious fundraiser can be directed to the Tax & Charities Division at (808) 586-1480 or emailed to ATG.Charities@hawaii.gov

SCR92 Interdepartmental Feral Chicken Mitigation Working Group



Last session, Sen. Kim introduced SCR92, a measure requesting an interdepartmental interim working group come together to identify solutions to mitigate and control the significant increase in the feral chicken population on Oahu.

This group, consisting of DOA, DLNR, DOH, and City and County of Honolulu had their first meeting on Aug. 16.

The working group is tasked with conducting research and reporting their findings to legislature next session..

Red Hill Update: CRI Oversight Group



Above: Newly Elected CRI Members.

On Sept. 16, nominees from the community were voted on to be members of the EPA's 10-person civilian oversight group called the Community Representation Initiative or CRI. The CRI group will meet with government agencies approximately once a month through the closure of the facility to hold the Navy accountable.

CRI Members: Mandy Feidnt, Lacey Quintero, Walter Chun, Ilima DeCosta, Susan Gorman-Chang, Marti Townsend, Healani Sonoda-Pale, Alfred Keaka Hiona Medeiros, the Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and the Sierra Club.

For more information about CRI, please visit [Red Hill Community Representation Initiative | US EPA](#)

Be Fast For Stroke Campaign

BE FAST FOR STROKE!



For more information,
visit BeFast.hawaii.gov

Common Signs of a Stroke

B – Balance loss. Is there a sudden loss of balance or dizziness?

E – Eyesight problems. Is the person experiencing sudden loss of vision, blurriness or double vision?

F – Face drooping. Is a side of the person's face uneven?

A – Arm weakness. Is the person experiencing weakness or numbness in one arm or is unable to raise both arms?

S – Speech difficulty. Is the person's speech slurred or hard to understand?

State Roadwork Update



**Multiple Lane Closures
will occur on the H1
Freeway Westbound**

From the Valkeburgh St. underpass to
the Salt Lake Blvd. underpass (Stadium
Exit 15A to H1 / H-201 Merge)

**Starting Sept 22
Every Weekend
From Friday 8 pm -
Monday 2:30 am
until June 2024**



To qualify you must:

- Have a minimum 2.5 GPA
- Major or minor in Japanese, Asian Studies, or American Studies with a focus on Japan/ Japanese Americans
- Provide academic information, transcript, along with a personal cover letter
- Willing to participate in a community service event with the JCCH

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