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Hawaii House District 13: East Maui (Pa'ia, Haiku, Keanae, Nahiku, Hana, Kipahulu, Kaupo), Moloka'i, Lana'i, Kaho'olawe and Molokini

Aloha District 13 'Ohana!

As you know the Legislature came back into session May 11th—May 21st to address the State Budget along with CARES ACT Funding.

We passed several bills to address the currently projected \$1 billion shortfall in the state budget caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The legislation will allow essential government services to continue without having to implement drastic measures such as statewide pay cuts or furloughs and give neighbor island counties (like Maui County) funding to assist residents with rent and food needs.

On the next two pages of this newsletter you can see the key points of the measures that we passed along with a listing of the **\$ 162,250,000 in CIP funds** that District 13 will be receiving.

Even though we've been dealing with this global pandemic, the state is continuing to work on our infrastructure and making the needed improvements in our communities. Here is a list of the CIP funds that have been released by the Governor for projects in District 13 this year so far:

The State Capitol will continue to operate within the confines of the Governor's statewide shutdown that remains in effect and will be closed to the general public. However, my office manager and I continue to work to serve you. Please call the office at (808)586-6790 or email <u>repdecoite@capitol.hawaii.gov</u> with any questions or concerns you may have.

Mahalo nui loa,

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Rep. Lynn DeCoite District 13



CIP Project Title	Amount Released & Date		
Baseyard Renovations, Lāna'i Airport, Lāna'i (Project No. AM4031-18)	\$ 500,000.00	Jan-20	
Lāna'i High and Elementary School, Building Renovations, Lāna'i	\$ 1,434,000.00	Feb-20	
Baseyard Renovations, Lāna'i Airport, Lāna'i (Project No. AM4031-18)	\$ 1,500,000.00	Feb-20	
Hawaiian Home Lands Lot Development, Moloka'i	\$ 400,000 for design	Feb-20	
La'a Kea Foundation, Maui. (CIP GIA)	\$ 300,000.00 \$ 100,000	Feb-20	
Ahupua'a o Moloka'i (CIP GIA)	in G.O. bonds	Feb-20	
Pā'ia Elementary School, Classroom Building,	\$ 500,000.00	Feb-20	
Hāna Highway Improvements, Phase 2B, Huelo to Hāna, Maui	\$ 1,376,000.00	Mar-20	
East Maui Water Systems, Maui, Items A-10.02 and A-10.03	\$ 3,600,000 in G.O. bond funds	Mar-20	
Hāna Highway, Replacement and Rehabilita- tion of Various Bridges, Maui	\$ 700,000.00	Apr-20	
New Office-Storage Facility, Kaunakakai Harbor, Molokaʻi	\$ 200,000.00	Apr-20	
Coqui Frog Eradication Containment Barrier, Maui	\$ 750,000.00	May-20	
Pa'ia Elementary School, Classroom Building,	\$ 1,500,000	May-20	

Title	Description	FY20	FY21	MOF
	PLANS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPMENT FOR			
SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, MOLOKAI	IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM.	_	9,300,000	
	PLANS, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR COVERED		9,300,000	
MAUI	WALKWAY AND BUILDING E REROOF; GROUND AND SITE			
	IMPROVEMENTS; EQUIPMENT AND APPURTENANCES.	700,000	-	C
PAIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR A NEW CLASSROOM			
MAUI	BUILDING; GROUND AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS;			
	EQUIPMENT AND APPURTENANCES.	17,000,000	-	C
KAUNAKAKAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MOLOKAI	PLANS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPMENT FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT AND INSTALL BLEACHERS.			
-		750,000	-	C
KUALAPUU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MOLOKAI	CONSTRUCTION FOR ADA TRANSITION.			
MOLOKAI HIGH SCHOOL,	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR BASEBALL FIELD.	300,000	-	C
MOLOKAI HIGH SCHOOL,	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR DASEDALL FIELD.	_	300,000	
KUALAPUU ELEMENTARY	PLANS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION FOR	-	300,000	C
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL,	PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT INCLUDING SHADE			
MOLOKAI	STRUCTURE, FLOORING MATT AND FENCING.	-	1,000,000	0
KUALAPUU ELEMENTARY	PLANS, DESIGN, EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION FOR SHADE			
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL,	STRUCTURE AND COVER FOR BASKETBALL COURT.			
MOLOKAI		-	150,000	C
COQUI FROG ERADICATION	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION TO ERADICATE			
CONTAINMENT BARRIER, MAUI	COQUI FROGS ON MAUI.	750,000	750,000	
WAIANAPANAPA STATE	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR A NEW	730,000	750,000	
PARK, MAUI	COMFORT STATION, INDIVIDUAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM,			
	PARKING PAVING IMPROVEMENTS, ENTRY ROAD REPAIRS			
	AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, CAMPING AND DAY USE			
	AREA IMPROVEMENTS, AND SHELTER AND PLATFORMS.	-	4,000,000	C
HANA AIRPORT, FACILITY	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO			
IMPROVEMENTS, MAUI	VARIOUS FACILITIES AND OTHER RELATED IMPROVEMENTS.	400,000	2,000,000	E
MOLOKAI AIRPORT, FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS,	DESIGN FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF VARIOUS FACILITIES AND OTHER RELATED IMPROVEMENTS.			
MOLOKAI		3,500,000	-	E
LANAI AIRPORT, FACILITY	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF	. ,		
IMPROVEMENTS, LANAI	VARIOUS FACILITIES AND OTHER RELATED			
	IMPROVEMENTS.	400,000	2,000,000	E
HANA HIGHWAY BRIDGE	LAND ACQUISITION AND DESIGN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION			
PRESERVATION, MAUI	OF THE BRIDGE PRESERVATION PLAN FOR HANA HIGHWAY IN THE VICINITY OF THE HANA PRESERVATION DISTRICT, TO			
	NCLUDE BRIDGE REHABILITATION AND/OR REPLACEMENT.			
	THIS PROJECT IS DEEMED NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR			
	FEDERAL AID FINANCING AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT.	3,400,000	-	N
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	THE VICINITY OF THE HANA PRESERVATION DISTRICT, TO INCLUDE BRIDGE REHABILITATION AND/OR REPLACEMENT.			
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	FEDERAL AID FINANCING AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT.	850,000	-	E

CIP Funds Cont.						
Title	Description	FY20	FY21	MOF		
HANA HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS, HUELO TO HANA, MAUI	CONSTRUCTION FOR IMPROVING, UPGRADING AND/OR REPAIRING ROADWAYS, BRIDGES, WALLS, DRAINAGE STRUCTURES, GUARDRAILS, AND OTHER FACILITIES ON ROUTE 360 HANA HIGHWAY.	2,700,000	-	E		
PAIA BYPASS, MAUI	PLANS, LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPMENT TO COMPLETE THE PAIA BYPASS; EQUIPMENT AND APPURTENANCES; REFURBISHMENT, IMPROVEMENTS, REHABILITATION, NEW CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, AND REPLACEMENT; THIS PROJECT IS DEEMED NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL AID FINANCING AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT.	110 000 000		F		
HANA HIGHWAY ROCKFALL MITIGATION, HUELO TO HANA, MAUI	CONSTRUCTION TO MITIGATE ROCKFALLS AND POTENTIAL LANDSLIDE AREAS ALONG THE SLOPES OF ROUTE 360 HANA HIGHWAY AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS.	110,000,000		E		
		-	2,000,000	Е		
	TOTAL	\$ 140,750,000	\$ 21,500,000			
	GRAND TOTAL (FY 20 & FY 21)	\$ 162,250,000				

Bills passed during the past two weeks include:

SB 75 SD2 HD1 Relating to Appropriations

- \$562.5 million in federal CARES Act funds will go to the counties to provide immediate needs, including food and rent support for their residents
- \$51.5 million in CARES Act funds and \$50 million in HEROES Act funds will go to state agencies for various COVID-19 response initiatives
- Transfers the remaining \$635 million of the CARES Act money into the State's Emergency and Budget Reserve Fund or "Rainy Day" fund to hold until a decision can be made in June how to best use the funds
- All \$1.25 billion of CARES Act funds provided to Hawai'i must be spent by December 31, 2020

Each county will receive:

- Honolulu City & County, \$387,176,021
- Hawaii County, \$80,009,671
- Maui County, \$66,598,757
- Kauai County, \$28,715,021

Funds allocated for the State government's COVID-19 response includes:

- \$40 million for the Department of Defense for response activities, including the purchase of PPE
- \$36 million for the Department of Transportation for thermal screening at airports statewide
- \$1.3 million for the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to fund the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program
- \$8.145 million for the Department of Labor for information technology, systems and staffing
- \$2 million for the Department of Human Services for EBT (food stamps) and SNAP technology services
- \$14 million for the Department of Health's Disease Outbreak and Control Division to fund response activities including testing, contact tracing, and purchasing of PPE

SB 3139 SD1 HD1 Relating to the State Budget

• Shores up the Rainy Day fund with cash from various sources to be allocated as necessary for critical programs in the coming months

HB 117 SD1 Deferred Raises

• Defers all salary increases slated for this fiscal year for members of the legislature, the governor, lieutenant governor, justices and judges of all state courts, administrative director of the State or an equivalent position, and department heads or executive officers and the deputies or assistants to the department heads or executive officers of the departments (These raises had been recommended by the Commission on Salaries in early 2019, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic)

HB 2200 HD1SD1 The Supplemental State Budget

- This budget cuts about \$357 million in either unspent funds or funding for positions that have not been filled by state agencies.
- The budget allows critical government functions to remain operational during the pandemic.

HB 1631 SD1 Relating to State Bonds

• Allows Governor Ige to tap into \$2.1 billion worth of federal loans to have cash on hand in case of further budget crisis.

HB 2725 HD1 SD1 Capital Improvement Projects

• Capital Improvement Project budget for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 totals more than \$5.1 billion

SB 3080 SD3 HD1 Relating to the Judiciary

- The supplemental Judiciary budget bill cuts about \$24 million in either unspent funds or funding for positions that have not been filled and removes all vacant positions except judge positions
- Requires the Judiciary to submit a weekly report with detailed information on inmates who are being released from Hawai'i's correctional centers to reduce crowding and limit inmates' exposure to COVID-19.



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If you would like to be added to the list, please call my office (808)586-6790 or send your email to <u>decoite2@capitol.hawaii.gov</u>

State Resources and websites during COVID-19

Hawaii Department of Health (HDOH)

• Check the HDOH COVID-19 website for the latest news and recommendations and to see the latest COVID-19 Case Count #'s.

https://hawaiicovid19.com/

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

• To apply for Hawaii Unemployment Insurance (HUI) https://labor.hawaii.gov/

HUI Password Reset: (833) 901-2272

- UI General Questions: (833) 901-2275
- To apply for PUA/CARES Act funding

https://pua.hawaii.gov/

Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT)

- The HDOT Airports Division (HDOTA) works closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Hawaii Department of Health as well as multiple federal, state, county and private agencies regarding the Coronavirus. For information regarding the Coronavirus and Hawaii's airports please visit: <u>https://hidot.hawaii.gov/coronavirus/</u>
- Inquiries and requests regarding travel quarantine exemptions can be emailed to covidexemption@hawaii.gov
- The State of Hawaii has launched a web application to collect traveler information. Upon arrival, each traveler can now enter their information directly on the State's web application at https://safetravels.hawaii.gov/