
SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO
RECOMMEND SOLUTIONS TO ABATE AND PREVENT THE ACCUMULATION
OF SEDIMENT AT WAILOA SMALL BOAT HARBOR AND ALONG HILO
BAYFRONT.

1 WHEREAS, there are five natural bodies of water that
2 discharge into the Hilo Bay: Wailoa River, Wailuku River,
3 Pukihae Stream, Pohakaunanaka Stream, and Maili Stream; and
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5 WHEREAS, Wailoa Small Boar Harbor, located at the Wailoa
6 River mouth, has economical importance for East Hawaii; and
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8 WHEREAS, Wailoa Small Boat Harbor provides important access
9 to the ocean, landing of fish, and commercial activities for the
10 general public, tourists, power boaters, sail boaters, jet ski
11 operators, canoes, and kayaks; and
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13 WHEREAS, the Wailoa River discharges into Hilo Bay and is
14 one of the major sources of sediment running into Hilo Bay; and
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16 WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources is
17 responsible to maintain safe passage for vessels' ingress and
18 egress from the Wailoa Small Boat Harbor to Hilo Bay; now,
19 therefore,
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-third
22 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006,
23 that the Department of Land and Natural Resources is requested
24 to study and recommend solutions to abate and prevent the
25 accumulation of sediment at Wailoa Small Boat Harbor and along
26 the Hilo bayfront; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
29 Natural Resources is requested to consult with interested and
30 resourceful parties, including but not limited to the Department
31 of Transportation; Department of Health; United States
32 Department of Agriculture; United States Corp of Engineers;
33 State Department of Agriculture; soil, water, and conservation



1 agencies of Hawaii County; and the Economic Development Alliance
2 of Hawaii; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
5 Natural Resources report its findings and recommendations to the
6 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
7 the Regular Session of 2007; and

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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
10 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
11 Land and Natural Resources, Director of Transportation,
12 Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture, Director of Health;
13 United States Department of Agriculture, United States Corp of
14 Engineers, Mayor of Hawaii County, and the Economic Development
15 Alliance of Hawaii.

