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SENATOR STANLEY CHANG
East Honolulu Community Newsletter

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Drainage Repair Estimates

During the April 13th floods this year in East Honolulu, many streams, channels, and gulches were damaged. City officials have determined the first set of repairs, which are currently underway. Here is a breakdown of the cost estimates, with a description of the damage and scope of work:

Hahaione Channel ▲ \$1,026,485

Removal of debris, damaged concrete slope lining and concrete invert from channel and emergency shoring of damaged slope lining, invert and private property adjacent to damages.

Hahaione Channel ▲ \$2,500,000

Restoration of slope lining, invert, fencing, and private property.

Kului Gulch ▲ \$454,793

Removal of debris, restoration of concrete rock masonry (CRM) wall, CRM lining and fencing.

Kuli'ou'ou Channel ▲ \$2,633,000

Removal of debris, damaged concrete invert and restoration of concrete invert.

Wailupe Stream ▲ \$5,000,000

Emergency shoring of damaged stream bank and invert. Restoration of stream bank.



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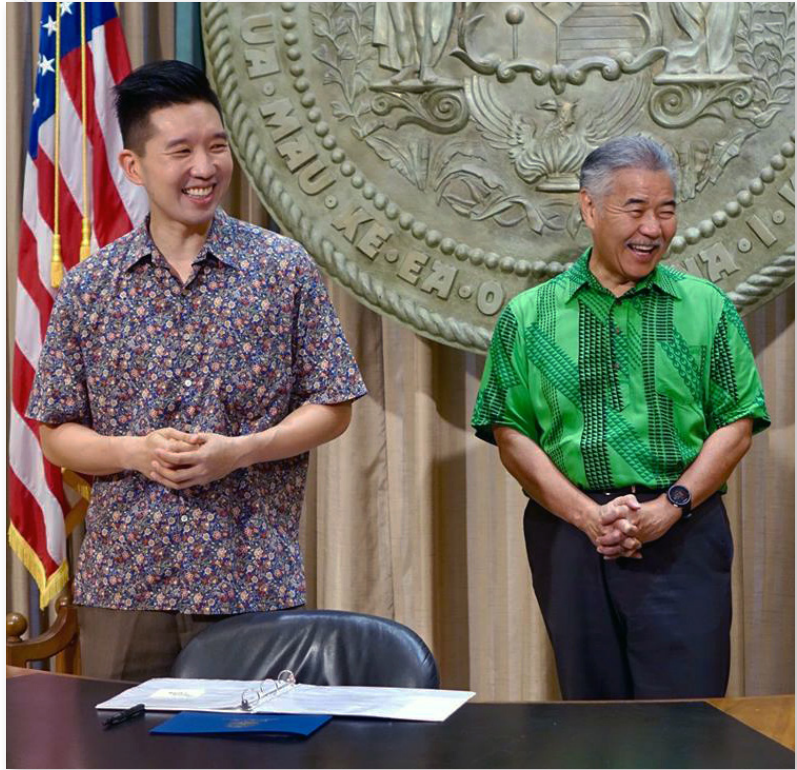
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IN THE COMMUNITY



FIREWISE COMMUNITY WORKDAY

June 23, 2018 ▲ Senator Chang joined members of the community for the Firewise Community Workday, clearing brush to prevent future fires in East Honolulu.



YOUTH COMMISSION BECOMES LAW

July 5, 2018 ▲ Governor David Ige signed HB 1716 into law as Act 106 of 2018. Act 106 establishes the Youth Commission, which addresses the needs of young people in Hawai'i.



EAST HONOLULU FLOOD DAMAGE

June 28, 2018 ▲ Senator Chang made site visits to various ditches and canals to survey the damage caused by the April 13th flooding.



GOOD SAMARITAN LAW AMENDED

July 6, 2018 ▲ Governor David Ige signed SB 2087 into law as Act 145 of 2018. Act 145 amends Hawai'i's Good Samaritan Law to provide civil liability exemption for persons or property owners who use rescue tubes.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pi'ikoi Street Onramp Closing During Weekday Afternoon Commute

The Hawai'i Department of Transportation (HDOT) has completed and reviewed its study on the **Pi'ikoi Street onramp to the eastbound H-1 Freeway** and has announced that the ramp will be closed on **weekdays during the peak afternoon commute hours, from 3:00 – 6:30 p.m.**

The study found that closing the onramp during the peak afternoon commute will help the flow of traffic, increase capacity, and reduce travel times on the H-1 Freeway, while having a minimal impact on side street operations.

“This trial period is part of my administration’s continuing effort to seek new and innovative ways to relieve traffic congestion on our freeway. A previous study indicates the peak hour closures will reduce

travel time for our families. This is an example of my administration thinking outside the box, while working within our existing highways infrastructure,” said Governor David Y. Ige.

The afternoon onramp closure is scheduled to begin **Monday, July 30, 2018**, and continue for a **six-month trial**. Upon the conclusion of the trial period, HDOT will determine if the program will continue or be modified. Signs will be added throughout the area to notify motorists of the scheduled changes.

From April 17–28, 2017, HDOT temporarily closed the Pi'ikoi Street eastbound onramp 24/7 to study traffic impacts of the ramp closure. It has been believed that much of the congestion and queuing experienced by motorists on the H-1 Freeway eastbound is a result of the heavy onramp and offramp volumes and frequent lane merges / weaving between the South Vineyard Boulevard, Ward Avenue, and Pi'ikoi Street onramps, and the Punahou Street offramp. The data showed that—during the peak afternoon hours—**drivers saved six minutes when traveling through between the Fort Shafter overpass and the Punahou Street offramp** with the onramp closure. During the morning peak hour of traffic only one minute was saved.



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YOUR CONCERNS

New DMV Saturday Hours for Driver Licensing Centers

The Department of Customer Services announced that it will be continuing Saturday hours for certain Driver Licensing Centers, from now until **August 25**.

The department is offering the service to walk-in customers, as well as those who make an appointment. These Saturday hours are part of a broader effort to provide customers additional convenience and to address the increase of license renewals this year, as well as the heavy summer demand.

No new driver testing—road or written—or Commercial Driver's License (CDL) services are offered on Saturday. Driver Licensing Centers offer driver license renewals and duplicates and state ID services. Please reference locations with available Saturday hours below.

While appointments are recommended, walk-in customers are welcomed and as many as possible will be assisted. To help ensure a successful visit, customers are encouraged to have all of the required documents and a completed application form ahead of time. A document guide and forms can be found at license.honolulu.gov, where customers may also schedule appointments.

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8 a.m. to noon

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8 a.m. to noon

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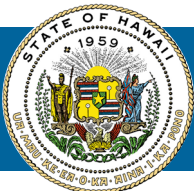
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