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Update on Building for Mililani Middle School

The Department of Education is preparing a Draft Environmental Assessment which will assess the impacts of proposed project site for the new classrooms at Mililani Middle School.

An Environmental assessment (EA) is the assessment of the environmental impacts of a plan, policy, program, or actual projects prior to the decision to move forward with the proposed action.



Based on building design and spatial needs, the project site was determined to be approximately **1.44 acres**. The project site was selected to minimize the walking distance between the new building and other areas on the existing campus.

The new building will include a multi-purpose/open area which will double as a lunch area and the student pick-up/drop off area would be on north end the building and parking would be provided for 48 stalls on the north and west sides of the building. Also, the design of the building will provide air conditioning for the classrooms.

In addition, surface runoff will be directed into new drainage inlets on the south end of the project site.

As was promised early on, the project site will be designed to allow park users access to the lot parking when school is not in session. Currently there is no parking lot that can be used by park users during larger community events.

Once building design are finalized, the Department of Education will bid the project in Spring 2018. Construction of the new classrooms will start in late 2018 and is expected to be completed in 2020.

Please remember that while activities will create dust and noise during construction, the benefits of a school complex on a common calendar will provide multiple benefits for parents, students, and faculty in the Mililani community.

Working for the Community

I am pleased to announce that the Governor has released funding for the following projects that will benefit the district:

- Mililani High School: \$2 million for parking lot improvements
- Interstate Route H-2 and Moanalua Freeway: \$5.5 million for guardrail and shoulder lane improvements

Also, I would like to inform the community that funding was awarded to the following contracts for critical projects at Mililani High School:

- Certified Construction Inc.: \$264,711 for Miscellaneous R and M for FY 08 N Reroof
- Kwock Associates, Inc.: \$100,000 for Architectural & Engineering Services, Lot Improvements

Please bear in mind that there will be some disruption and disturbance during the construction period. For more information, please feel free to contact my office.

Hawaii Army National Guard Change of Command Ceremony: My colleagues and I presented a certificate to outgoing Commander and Mililani Mauka resident Brigadier General Keith Tamashiro. The incoming commander is another Mililani resident Brigadier General Kenneth Hara.



(Left, Center) Mililani Homecoming Parade: Sen. Michelle Kidani and I participated in Mililani High School's Homecoming Festivities by joining the community for the Homecoming Parade. I am pleased to announce that the Mililani Trojans came out on top. (Right) Board of Education Meeting: Joining the Board of Education and Department of Education Superintendent Dr. Christina Kishimoto at the Board's General Meeting in Mililani Mauka.

