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Halaʻula Well and Reservoir Project, North Kohala
UPDATE #2

Project Scope:
This project will improve water service to the Kapaʻau and Hala'ula communities by adding a new well, 500,000-gallon reservoir, and approximately 1.9 miles of 12-inch waterline to the Hala'ula water system. New meters, meter boxes and copper waterpipes called service laterals will be installed to deliver drinking water from the main line to properties. Existing infrastructure will be used to continue water service until the upgrades become operational next year.

General Contractor:
Goodfellow Bros. Inc.

Construction Status:
The contractor has completed the installation of the main waterline and all laterals within the Akoni Pule Highway (Hwy. 270) corridor, and a portion of the new waterline and all necessary laterals along Maʻulili Road. Work is expected to start in mid-June extending the waterline mauka to the new well and reservoir site. The contractor is expected to begin well construction in mid-September and then start building the reservoir in November. Work on the control building, the project’s final component, is scheduled to commence in March 2021, with project completion estimated in summer 2021.

Project Cost:
Project total cost is $12 million. DWS is funding this project through a low-interest loan from the State of Hawaiʻi’s Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

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Project Images:

A new service lateral will deliver safe drinking water to a customer’s home on Ma‘ulili Road. Photo credit: DWS.

Crews work installing a new 12-inch waterline and fire hydrant along Akoni Pule Highway (Hwy. 270). Photo credit: DWS.

About the Department of Water Supply:
Established in 1949, the Department of Water Supply (DWS) is a semi-autonomous Hawai‘i County agency governed by the Water Board. DWS operates and maintains 23 water systems with revenues generated wholly through water service to its more than 40,000 customers. DWS’ mission is to provide customers with an adequate and continuous supply of safe drinking water in a financially responsible manner.

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