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DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY COUNTY OF HAWAI'I WATER BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MEETING DATE: July 22, 2025

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

IN-PERSON LOCATION: West Hawai'i Civic Center

Building G, 74-5044 Ane Keohokālole Highway

Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i

REMOTE MEETING LINK:

https://www.facebook.com/HawaiiDWS/live_videos/

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Public testimony may be done in person or in writing by email (dws@hawaiidws.org), fax (808-961-8657), or by mail: 345 Kekūanaōʻa Street, Suite 20, Hilo, HI 96720. Please indicate agenda item submitting for. All testimony, regardless of time of receipt, will be part of the permanent record.

Remote Oral Testimony:

Telephone testimony may be presented by calling 1(669) 254-5252 and entering meeting ID 160 576 3990. Please wait for the Chair to ask for testimony on the item you are interested in. The Chair will unmute testifiers who call in, one phone number at a time.

Optional Alternative to Present Remote Oral Testimony:

If you would like to testify via an online video link, please email dws@hawaiidws.org at least 24 hours before the meeting to request the link. You may also email to pre-register to present telephone testimony if you wish to be called on by name or before those who have not pre-registered. Testifiers who wish to remain anonymous or have not pre-registered may still call the testimony phone number and follow the instructions listed above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Information about all the board's meetings is available <u>here</u>. General information about the board is available at <u>About the Water Board</u>.

In the event the online remote connection is interrupted during the Water Board meeting, the Board shall recess for up to 30 minutes to allow for reestablishing the online remote connections. If the online remote connection cannot be reestablished after 30 minutes the meeting shall be adjourned and then reconvene per the following contingency plans:

Board shall reconvene on: July 23, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Board shall reconvene at: DWS, Hilo Operations, 889 Leilani Street, Hilo, Hawai'i

If you would like to testify via an online video link, please email dws@hawaiidws.org before the meeting to request the weblink or phone number to testify.

- 1) <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> 10:00 a.m. (please turn cell phones off or set to silent)
- 2) <u>STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u> Pursuant to HRS §92-3, oral testimony may be provided entirely at the beginning of the meeting or immediately preceding the agenda item.

3) <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>:

- Minutes of June 24, 2025, Water Board Meeting
- 4) <u>APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA</u> (if necessary) (Note: Roll Call Required)
- 5) <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>:

A. DISCUSSION OF GOALS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025:

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

(For discussion and possible action)

B. ENERGY STUDY REPORT (2025):

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

Submission of an energy report by the Department, resulting from an island-wide energy study. The energy report provides an overview of DWS' energy use, provides information on how energy use impacts cost, and identifies potential cost savings opportunities. Department personnel will be available to respond to questions by the Board regarding the energy report.

C. MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT:

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

Submission of Progress Report of Projects by the Department. Department personnel will be available to respond to questions by the Board regarding the status/progress of any project.

D. REVIEW OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

Submission of financial statements and information relating to the financial status of the Department. Department personnel will be available to respond to questions by the Board relating to the financial status of the Department.

E. MANAGER-CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT:

The Manager-Chief Engineer to provide an update on the following:

- 1. North Kona Wells
- 2. 2025 HWWA Conference October 14-17, 2025, O'ahu

F. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION – CIVIL NO. 3CCV-24-0000343, KAPOHO LAND & DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LTD</u>:

The Board anticipates convening an executive meeting, closed to the public, to consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and

liabilities regarding the Pohoiki Road and Waterline Project, as authorized by Hawai'i Revised Statutes ("HRS"), Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4). A two-thirds vote of the members present, pursuant to HRS Section 92-4, is necessary to hold an executive meeting, provided that the affirmative vote constitutes a majority of the board.

G. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

1. Chairperson to report on matters of interest to the Board

6) <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>:

<u>Next Meeting</u> – August 26, 2025, 10:00 a.m., Department of Supply, Hilo Operations, 889 Leilani Street, Hilo, Hawai'i

7) <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

Anyone requiring an accommodation or auxiliary aid and/or services to participate in this meeting (i.e. sign language, interpreter, large print), please contact the Board Secretary, at (808) 961-8050 as soon as possible, but no later than five days before the scheduled meeting.

Notice to Lobbyists: If you are a lobbyist, you must register with the Hawai'i County Clerk within five days of becoming a lobbyist. {Article 15, Section 2-91.3(b), Hawai'i County Code} A lobbyist means "any individual engaged for pay or other consideration who spends more than five hours in any month or \$275 in any six-month period for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action by communicating or urging others to communicate with public officials." {Article 15, Section 2-91.3(a)(6), Hawai'i County Code} Registration forms and expenditure report documents are available at the Office of the County Clerk-Council, Hilo, Hawai'i.

<u>Board Packet</u>: Pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Section 92-7.5, the board packet provided to members of the board for this meeting is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Department of Water Supply office, 345 Kekūanaō'a Street, Suite 20, Hilo, Hawai'i.

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