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NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

South Kohala Essential Use Only Notice CANCELLED, **Water Restriction Notice Issued**

AFFECTED AREAS: KAWAIHAE, KAWAIHAE HARBOR, HAPUNA BEACH RESORT, MAUNA KEA BEACH RESORT, PUAKŌ, MAUNA LANI RESORT; SOUTH KOHALA, HAWAI'I

Effective immediately, the Department of Water Supply's (DWS) **Essential Water Use Only Notice** for affected Lālāmilo, South Kohala customers is **cancelled**. In its place, DWS has issued a **Water Restriction Notice** for customers in the affected areas that will remain in place until further notice.

A Water Restriction Notice requires affected customers to **reduce water use by at least 25 percent**. **Irrigation customers are required to reduce use by at least 50 percent**. These restrictions are needed due to ongoing repairs of DWS' wells. Reducing water use will help to maintain water levels in the storage tanks for all customers.

DWS sincerely thanks its customers and community for their kokua during this period. For more information and updates, please visit www.hawaiidws.org or contact the Department of Water Supply at 808-961-8790.

DWS asks customers to use water wisely and to not waste it. To learn ways to reduce water use, please visit the DWS website at www.hawaiidws.org, call (808) 961-8050 during normal business hours or email dws@hawaiidws.org. For after-hours emergencies, please call (808) 961-8790. Mahalo!

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