DLNR HOSTS PUBLIC FORUM TO REDUCE USER CONFLICTS IN OAHU SURF BREAKS

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) is hosting a public forum to generate discussion about a management concept designed to reduce user conflicts in specific surf breaks in the waters off of Oahu.

Wednesday, August 27, 2014 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Jefferson Elem. Cafeteria in Waikiki

A local community group has suggested restricting use of Stand Up Paddleboards in specific surf breaks off of Ala Moana beach Park as follows:

A proposed pilot project to last one year. During a limited number of time periods each week (Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.) SUPs would not be permitted in the surf zones located between the entrances of Ala Moana (i.e. Ala Wai) harbor and Kewalo Basin harbor.

DLNR was asked to solicit comments from the general public and gauge acceptance of this plan to limit use of SUPs in this waterway. The department encourages all ocean users to comment on the proposed plan and even to suggest other solutions by attending the meeting in person or by sending comments to <u>dlnr.HarReview@hawaii.gov</u>.

The meeting location is disability accessible. If special needs are required, i.e., large print, taped materials, sign language interpreter, etc., call (808) 587-1972 at least three business days prior to the public forum.