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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Members, Oahu Island Burial Council

FROM: Traven Apiki, Burial Sites Specialist

RE: **Contents of January 14, 2026 Oahu Island Burial Council Board Packet**

**The contents of the January 14, 2026 Oahu Island Board packet are as follows:**

1. OIBC January 14, 2026 Meeting Memo
2. OIBC January 14, 2026 Meeting Agenda
3. OIBC December 10, 2025 Draft Meeting Minutes
4. Department's Recommendation to Recognize the Applicant, Trisha Kehaulani Watson Sproat, as a Cultural Descendant to Previously Identified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains, Iwi Kūpuna, at the Waikīkī Aquarium, Waikīkī Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of O'ahu, TMK: (1) 3-1-031:006.
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### O‘ahu Island Burial Council Members

Name	Representation	Term Expiration Date
Benjamin Shafer	Ko‘olauloa	2020-2024
Charish Miller	Ko‘olaupoko	2025-2029
Makoa Caceres	Wai‘anae	2025-2029
Julian Ako	Kona	2025-2029
Chuck Erhorn	Landowner/Developer	2019-2023
Kamana‘o Mills	Landowner/Developer	2021-2025
Vacant	Landowner/Developer	
Vacant	Waialua	
Vacant	‘Ewa	

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Members, O'ahu Island Burial Council  
FROM: Traven Apiki, Burial Sites Specialist  
RE: **Notification of the Next O'ahu Island Burial Council Meeting**

**The O'ahu Island Burial Council meeting has been scheduled as follows:**

**Date:** Wednesday, January 14, 2026  
**Time:** 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM  
**Place:** Online via Teams  
—AND—  
Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Kalanimoku Building  
Board Room #132  
1151 Punchbowl St.  
Honolulu, HI 96813

*Board members, staff, applicants, and testifiers can choose to participate either in-person or via ICT*

**Teams Meeting Link:**

<https://zoom.us/j/94686635093>

**Meeting ID:** 946 8663 5093  
**Passcode:** 8EEqrR

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**AGENDA  
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—AND—  
Online via Zoom

*This meeting will be held using interactive conference technology under section 92-3.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). Board members, staff, applicants, testifiers, and the public can choose to participate in person, online via Zoom, or by telephone at +1 699 900 9128.*

**To Attend/Provide Testimony via Zoom:**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLE CALL/PULE**

**III. MINUTES**

**A. Approval of the Minutes for December 10, 2025**

**IV. INADVERTENT DISCOVERIES/COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains, SIHP # 50-80-11-08819, at the Kīhāpāi Place Development Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-058:065 and 066.**
- B. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Princess Ruth Keelikolani Middle School, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Oahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-009:001, 002, and 003 (por.).**
- C. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 4561 Aukai Avenue, Waikīkī, Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu. TMK: (1) 3-5-004:020.**
- D. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 5799 Kalanianaole Hwy, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-7-002:005.**
- E. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discoveries of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Ālia at 888 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-056:017.**
- F. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Turtle Bay Resort; ‘Ō‘io 1, Ulupehupehu, and Punalau Ahupua‘a; Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMKs: (1) 5-7-001:050.**
- G. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Laniākea during Kamehameha Highway Drainage and Safety Improvements Project, HDOT, Kuikuioloa Ahupua‘a, Waialua District, Island of O‘ahu, TMKs: (1) 6-1-005:023 and 024; 6-1-009:002, 004, 018, 019, 020, 021, and 022; 6-1-010:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 019, and 020.**
- H. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 418A North Kainalu Drive, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-025:014.**
- I. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 59-585 D Ke Iki Road, Pūpūkea Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 5-9-003:016.**
- J. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Kalae (formerly Howard Hughes Corporation Block B West Project); Kaka‘ako, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-001:133.**
- K. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Launiu (formerly Howard Hughes Corporation Block A Project); Kaka‘ako, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-056:001.**
- L. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discoveries of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains during implementation of HART HRTTP City Center Archaeological Monitoring Plan, Halekauwila Street and Cooke Street; Nimitz Highway near Fort and Bishop Streets, various TMKs.**

- M. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Pōka‘ī Bay, Wai‘anae Ahupua‘a, Wai‘anae District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 8-6-001:007.**
- N. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Mauna Lahilahi Beach Park, Mākaha Ahupua‘a, Wai‘anae District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 8-4-001:008.**
- O. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Jefferson Elementary School, Waikīkī, Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu. TMK: (1) 2-6-029:002**
- P. Discussion Regarding Letter From UH West O‘ahu, Dated December 17, 2025, Pertaining to an Update on Consultation and Intent to Submit NAGPRA Notice of Inventory Completion.**
- Q. Discussion Regarding Letter from City and County of Honolulu, Dated November 29, 2025, Pertaining to Section 106 Consultation on Computerized Traffic Control Systems, Phase 16.**
- R. Discussion Regarding Letter from Bowers + Kubota, Dated January 7, 2026, Regarding Section 106 Consultation Pertaining to State Hawai‘i Public Housing Authority’s 2025 Environmental Review Project.**

#### **V. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion Regarding Previously Identified Iwi Kupuna, SIHP # 50-80-14-10218, Identified During an Archaeological Inventory Survey for the Demolition and Construction of a New 2-Story SFD Project at 3037 Kalakaua Avenue, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-1-033:006.**
- B. Discussion Regarding Ongoing Documentation and Recovery Efforts at Kualoa Regional Beach Park, Kualoa I Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-9-004:001.**
- C. Discussion Regarding Pali Lanes Adaptive Reuse Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMKs (1) 4-2-038:020 and portions of 015, 034, and 045.**
- D. Discussion Regarding Addendum Archaeological Inventory Survey in Support of the Kīhāpai Place Development Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-058:065 and 066.**
- E. Discussion on the Draft Burial Treatment Plan for the Kīhāpai Place Development Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-058:065 and 066.**
- F. Discussion Regarding Archaeological Inventory Survey for the Proposed Olai Green Hydrogen and Solar Project, Honouliuli Ahupua‘a, ‘Ewa District, Island of O‘ahu TMK: (1) 9-1-031:001 and (1) 9-1-031:008.**
- G. Discussion Regarding Supplemental Archaeological Inventory Survey for the City Center Portion of the Honolulu Rapid Transit Project, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O‘ahu, TMKs: (1) 2-1-014, (1) 2-1-016, (1) 2-1-026, (1) 2-1-027, (1) 2-1-030, (1) 2-1-031, (1) 2-1-050, (1) 2-1-051, and (1) 2-1-052 (multiple parcels).**

**H. Updates Regarding Communication with Chair Dawn Chang Pertaining to Ongoing Investigations and Alleged Violations of Chapter 6E, HRS, and its Implementing Administrative Rules, that may Involve Burial Sites and Human Remains under OIBC's Jurisdiction, Pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4).**

**I. Discussion and Approval of the Department's Recommendation to Recognize the Applicant, Trisha Kehaulani Watson Sproat, as a Cultural Descendant to Previously Identified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains, Iwi Kūpuna, at the Waikīkī Aquarium, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-1-031:006.**  
The Council may elect to go into executive session pursuant to HRS § 6E-43.5(e). The Council may close a meeting whenever location or description of a Native Hawaiian Burial site is under consideration. The chairperson, by concurrence of a majority of members present at the meeting, shall be authorized to require the public to leave the meeting while the confidential matter is being discussed and reopen the meeting once the confidential matter is no longer being considered.

**J. Discussion and Approval of the Department's Recommendation to Recognize the Applicant, Kealohilani Wong, as a Cultural Descendant to Family Burials, SIHP # 50-80-14-10253, -10284, -10285, and -10286, Located at Waikiki Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of Oahu, TMK: (1) 2-7-001:008.**  
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**K. Discussion Regarding Implementation of the Burial Treatment Plan for Iwi Kūpuna at Kawaiahā‘o Church Multi-Purpose Center/Building Project, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-032:017.**

**L. Update on Archaeological Inventory Survey and Draft Burial Treatment Plan for Previously Identified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains, Iwi Kūpuna, SIHP # 50-80-14-10191, for the Kamehameha Schools Kaiaulu ‘o Kaka‘ako Master Plan (KKMP) Increment II Electrical Infrastructure Project in Kaka‘ako, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona Moku, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-053:031, (1) 2-1-053:031 (por.), (1) 2-1-053:032 (por.), and (1) 2-1-053:999 (Cooke Street ROW); (1) 2-1-054:001 (por.), (1) 2-1-054:036 (por.), (1) 2-1-054:999 (Auahi Street and Coral Street ROWs); (1) 2-1-055:002 (por.), (1) 2-1-055:018 (por.), (1) 2-1-055:999 (Coral Street ROW); (1) 2-1-056:010 (por.), (1) 2-1-056:015 (por.), (1) 2-1-056:999 (Ko‘ula Street and Auahi Street ROWs); and (1) 2-1-059:999 (Ala Moana Boulevard ROW)**

**M. Discussion Regarding Archaeological Inventory Survey and DRAFT Burial Treatment Plan for Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains – Iwi Kupuna – at the Waikīkī Aquarium, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-1-031:006.**

**N. Discussion Regarding Muse at 1538 Kapi‘olani Boulevard Project, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-3-021:006.**

**O. Discussion Regarding the Archaeological Inventory Survey for 68-617 Crozier Drive Mokulēi‘a Ahupua‘a, Waialua District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 6-8-004:005.**

**P. Discussion Regarding the Archaeological Inventory Survey and Burial Finds of the Private Residence Sunshade Roof Project at 61-769 Pāpa‘iloa Rd. Kawailoa Ahupua‘a, Waialua District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 6-1-004:087.**

**VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. The Next OIBC Meeting is Scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2026, 10:00 A.M., at the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kalanimoku Building, Board Room #132, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, HI 96813.**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**To provide written testimony:**

We encourage interested persons to submit written testimony in advance of the meeting, which will be distributed to Council members prior to the meeting and allow a timely review. Please submit written testimony to: [Traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:Traven.apiki@hawaii.gov). Written testimony may also be mailed to: State Historic Preservation Division, Kakuhihewa Building, Attn: O'ahu Island Burial Council; Suite #555; Kapolei, HI 96707. Written testimony may be posted to the SHPD's IBC meeting website; as a precaution, please be mindful with any personal information prior to submitting unless you intend it to be shared. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the administrative record and distributed to OIBC members accordingly, but we cannot ensure the OIBC will receive it in sufficient time to review, prior to decision-making.

**To provide in-person oral testimony:**

Attend the meeting in person: address, date, and time are on the meeting notice and at the top of the agenda.

We kindly ask that all oral testimony be limited to not more than three (3) minutes. We ask that you identify yourself and any affiliation before speaking, but you can choose not to do so.

Pursuant to HRS § 92-3, all interested persons shall be afforded the opportunity to present oral testimony or submit data, views, or arguments, in writing, on any agenda item. Public testimony for items listed on the agenda is strongly recommended to be limited to three minutes per agenda item. We ask that you identify yourself and any affiliation before speaking, but you can choose not to do so.

Pursuant to HRS § 6E-43.5(e), the council may hold a closed meeting if the location and description of a burial site is under consideration.

The OIBC may go into Executive Session pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4) to consult with its attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Council's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

It is strongly recommended that any member of the public who requests for an item to be placed on a burial council meeting agenda must make this request with the Burial Sites Program staff at least two weeks preceding the scheduled meeting date. This request shall be accompanied by all related documents. Failure to comply with this procedure may delay the item to the following month's agenda.

Materials related to items on the agenda are available for review at the State Historic Preservation Division in room 555 of the Kakuhihewa Building located at 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Kapolei, Hawaii 96707.

If you need an auxillary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact: Traven Apiki, Burial Sites Specialist, at (808) 829-9322 or [traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:traven.apiki@hawaii.gov) as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled. Upon request, this agenda and other materials are available in alternate/accessible formats.

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**DRAFT MINUTES  
O'AHU ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL**

**DATE:** Wednesday, December 10, 2025  
**TIME:** 10:00 AM (HST)  
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**OIBC Members:**

Chair Caceres (Waianae), In-person  
Vice-Chair Shafer (Koolauloa), In-person  
Member Erhorn (LLO), In-person  
Member Ako (Kona), In-person  
Member Mills (LLO), In-person

**SHPD Staff:**

Traven Apiki, Burial Sites Specialist  
Samantha Hemenway, Oahu Archaeologist (on Zoom)  
Susan Lebo, Archeology Branch Chief

**At Board Room:**

**Doug Hazelwood**

**Shannon**  
**Kamuela Kalai**  
**Mara Mulrooney, Pacific Legacy**  
**Brennan Chambers, IA**  
**Matt McDermott, CSH**  
**Ryan Gross**  
**Bob Bruhl**  
**Alani Apio**  
**Ke‘alohi Wong**  
**Chris Fong**

**On Zoom:**

**Berna Senelly**  
**Jackie**  
**Anha**  
**Nicholas Lozanoff**  
**Lise Ditzel-Ma**  
**Andrea Hall, CSH**  
**Kekua Norman**  
**HVG**  
**Nick Belluzzo, ASM**  
**Jessica Burden**  
**April Nakaima**  
**Angela Neller**  
**Ross**  
**Makanani Bell**  
**Nana**  
**Alani**  
**Akau Ohana**  
**D Tomlinson**  
**Kent Walther**  
**LeAne Mactagone**  
**Nalani P**  
**Todd Hassler**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

*Chair Caceres calls meeting to order at 10:05 AM*

**II. ROLE CALL/PULE**

*Chair Caceres conducts pule*

*Chair Caceres, Vice-Chair Shafer, Member Mills, Member Ako, Member Erhorn*

**Recording: 4:09-4:30**

**III. MINUTES**

**A. Approval of the Minutes for November 12, 2025**

*Motions and vote (4:14)*

**MOTION: To Approve the November 12, 2025 Minutes**

**MOVED BY: Vice-Chair Shafer**

**2ND BY: Member Ako**

**VOTE: Motion carried unanimously**

- Member Erhorn expresses concern that it is difficult to get legal advice without a representative of the Attorney General's office present.
- Member Ako explains that he has requested an update on the status of the burial at 810 Hale Kauila. The mitigation letter had been withdrawn.
- Chair Caceres will email the project proponent and request their presence at the January OIBC meeting for an update.
- Member Ako requests that SHPD keep the council informed on subjects such as this.

*Discussion moves to Item V. C.*

#### **IV. INADVERTENT DISCOVERIES/COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains, SIHP # 50-80-11-08819, at the Kīhāpāi Place Development Project, Kailua Ahupua'a, Ko'olaupoko District, Island of O'ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-058:065 and 066.**

**Recording: 31:21-47:10**

- Bob Bruhl - Going to defer to the team. We are on the agenda twice, this is for the inadvertent. Thank you for letting us come to get to conclusions we need to.
- Chris Fong-Our archaeologist couldn't come on last meeting due to a conflict of timing. The intent today is to bring everyone from past to present and future of what we're planning.
- Brennan Chambers-This was discovered by CSH. An AMP was developed and accepted by SHPD
- Alani-Will be there for larger discussion later. There needs to be a resolving of the burial find that is on the mauka side of the project that was impacted by the prior developer. The descendants have asked that in the time since the initial development and leave the burial in place. Climate change and sea level rise may impact the burial over time. They would like to disinter and relocate on an existing burial site about 50 yards away. The desire on descendants and developers side is resolving this so they can issue a letter of determination.
- Brennan Chambers-March 14, 2019 this was first documented. About 5-10% of the burial was observed and SHPD, descendants, and more were involved. The containing wall was notched.....The project stalled before a letter was prepared by SHPD. The later agenda items, we're preparing a draft burial treatment plan for the discoveries.
- Member Mills-Half of the remains are on state property and the other half are on city and county? Do they have to agree to the plan?
- Chris Fong-That's correct, and they've been notified.
- Chair Caceres-Don't want to separate an individual because they are resting on separate properties.
- Chair Caceres-Fully in support of the descendants. If I can help facilitate anything to move things forward, please let me know.

- Alani-To be clear, the burial sits less than 20ft from the waters edge. In 2019 the state of the world was different from what it was. It has been preserved in place but almost 6 years later, it appears to be the best case to disinter using existing technology that preserves all of the burial to a certain extent in situ. Trade wind capital has a curation unit ready to go and details are being worked out all of which will be in the letter of determination.
- Traven Apiki – Is currently drafting a letter of determination, will be done in the next few weeks.

**B. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Princess Ruth Keelikolani Middle School, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Oahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-009:001, 002, and 003 (por.).**

**Recording: 47:13-50:43**

*Chair Caceres recuses himself*

- Ryan Gross-We have no evidence these iwi represent humans. SHPD has approved the plan for preservation in place. Planning to return to the council once the plan is completed.
- Vice-Chair Shafer- Asks council to review the documents.
- Traven Apiki – Clarifies that this is an inadvertent discovery, not a burial treatment plan.

**C. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 4561 Aukai Avenue, Waikīkī, Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu. TMK: (1) 3-5-004:020.**

**Recording: 50:45-1:02:06**

- Traven Apiki- Will be following up with PL after the meeting.
- Mara Mulrooney-The kanu has yet to be scheduled. We’re awaiting an SIHP number.
- Chair Caceres-SHPD is dramatically understaffed. We’re borrowing Traven from Hawaii Island and because they’re understaffed they’re in non-compliance with timelines and consultation. Hope the Chair realized if we lose another burial site specialist we are screwed.
- Member Erhorn-What is the developers role in consultation
- Chair Caceres-SHPD bears the responsibility of notification
- Kamuela Kalai-Thank you for bringing this up. At this point our council is working beautifully but OIBC can’t do its job if SHPD isn’t there to help. There has to be a higher individual that can fix the situation before lawsuits start flying. Development gets put on hold and our kupuna are left in limbo. Believe that this needs to go to Dawn Chang and Josh Green to get it fixed. Even when SHPD was fully staffed, there was stuff going on behind closed doors. How does SHPD have so much power to move things along or stall them. Distressed to hear things have gotten worse.
- Member Ako-The staffing issue was brought up in executive session with Dawn Chang.
- Chair Caceres-Followed up with her and haven’t received a response. The archaeology branch is also just as overworked.

**D. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 5799 Kalanianaole Hwy, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-7-002:005.**

**Recording: 1:02:07-1:03:03**

- Traven Apiki- No updates. No SIHP number has been issued yet. Not certain what level of

consultation has already been conducted.

- Susan Lebo- She and Sam will work with Traven on this project.

**E. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discoveries of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Ālia at 888 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-056:017.**

**Recording: 1:03:04-1:19:00**

- Traven Apiki- A site visit was made right after last months OIBC meeting. A determination was made to preserve in place. Work still needs to be done on the pile cap. Landowner and developer aware that their responsibility is to protect the iwi and inact the mitigation measures.
- Member Ako- Would like the Attorney General’s office to weigh in on this particular project. On this project the developer has ignored letters of determination. It is difficult to address enforcement without the AG office’s input.
- Traven Apiki – communicating heavily with them on this.
- Member Ako – acknowledges that SHPD is doing what they can, but the actions of the developer are ignoring the letter of determination. Action is needed.
- Chair Caceres – the archaeological monitor present on their site visit admitted to a violation. Portions of the burial were relocated without a letter of determination to the on-site curation unit. SHPD did not pursue a violation. Only a reminder was given. What are the consequences of things like this?
- Traven Apiki – explains the initial inadvertent discovery. Iwi were found in a scoop of dirt for the machine. Backfill was screened. The iwi found through the screening of the backfill were put in temporary curation. Traven had authorized the screening, and did not tell them they could relocate. It doesn’t necessarily mean though that a violation occurred. The reminder cited by the chair was regarding a different project.
- Chair Caceres – The project proponent cannot be allowed to interpret the law into what is most convenient for them. There are big inconsistencies with how this project has been dealt with and other projects.
- Vice-Chair Shafer – Believes that in instances such as this the AG should be notified and allowed to do their own investigation. They can come up with a determination on how we should move forward.
- Traven Apiki – BLNR holds the responsibility of determining whether a violation has occurred. He cannot find evidence that a violation occurred. The developer reached out to SHPD as they were supposed to. The iwi were in the temporary location for 48 hours before being returned.
- Chair Caceres – Expressed that this is inconsistent with the way other projects in the area have been treated. Why does this project get special exceptions?
- Traven Apiki – Says he cannot speak to how other projects under other burial sites specialists were handled in the past. This is the way he is handling it.
- Member Ako – Would like to have Kea (SHPD History and Culture Branch Chief) to regularly attend the OIBC meetings. We need him to understand the issues so he can take them up with his own boss.
- Chair Caceres – Was assured by Kea that the SOPs adhered to by SHPD regarding letters of determination would include individual consultations provided by members of the OIBC and recognized descendants. A recent letter did not include that.
- Traven Apiki – That’s not in the administrative rules or SOPs. Normally he would seek permission from descendants to share their names on a public document like that.

- Chair Caceres – His conversation with Kea was specific to this project. The first letter of determination specifically named descendants. The second letter of determination did not for some reason. Why is that inconsistent? Wants records to be consistent for the future.
- Traven Apiki – Will talk to Kea on that.
- Julian Ako – Empathizes with SHPD staff. Believes that they try and the issues come from other offices.

**F. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Turtle Bay Resort; ‘Ō‘io 1, Ulupehupehu, and Punalau Ahupua‘a; Ko‘olauloa District, Island of O‘ahu, TMKs: (1) 5-7-001:050.**

**Recording: 1:19:02-1:21:26**

*Chair Caceres recuses himself.*

- Traven Apiki-No updates as far as I’m aware. All iwi are to be preserved in place. They are requesting SIHP numbers so letters of determinations can be made.
- Nick Belluzo – No updates. Plans to come back in January to present to the council.

**G. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Laniākea during Kamehameha Highway Drainage and Safety Improvements Project, HDOT, Kuikuioloa Ahupua‘a, Waialua District, Island of O‘ahu, TMKs: (1) 6-1-005:023 and 024; 6-1-009:002, 004, 018, 019, 020, 021, and 022; 6-1-010:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 019, and 020.**

**Recording: 1:21:27-1:22:34**

*Member Mills recuses himself.*

- Nick Belluzo – The surveyor is out to redesign a stormwater drain that came close to a burial. Landowner is looking to create more of a buffer.

**H. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 418A North Kainalu Drive, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-025:014.**

**Recording: 1:22:36-1:27:50**

- Nick Belluzzo-6 iwi kupuna were identified in a pool. 3 were encountered prior to archaeological monitoring and they were disinterred after consultation with descendants. Two iwi kupuna in the sidewalls are looking to be preserved in place. The last one is in the middle of the pool, and the project proponents
- Alani-The DeSilva’s have been on site multiple times. The buffers that SHPD required was 18 inches from the sidewall and the project proponent has agreed to that. Going to meet tomorrow night as a group. DeSilva’s have said that is sufficient for them....The other agreement from the project proponent is a site in the southeast corner of their property and being open to create a reinterment site for the iwi found on the property as well as the inadvertent discovery found on an adjacent property.

**I. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at 59-585 D Ke Iki Road, Pūpūkea Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olauloa District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 5-9-003:016.**

**Recording: 1:27:52-1:30:18**

- Brennan Chambers-No updates on this project. Waiting on a location for a reinterment vault.
- Chair Caceres – asks Traven Apiki if this project was being investigated for a possible violation.
- Information is being collected to send to BLNR.

**J. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Kalae (formerly Howard Hughes Corporation Block B West Project); Kaka‘ako, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-001:133.**

**Recording: 1:30:20-1:32:30**

*Chair Caceres recuses himself*

- Matt McDermott-We were waiting on 3 LOD’s at the last meeting. Since that time we’ve received a LOD for the May 28<sup>th</sup> discovery. Will be doing a site visit with Traven after this meeting about the other two discoveries.
- Member Ako-Asks if this is the same project that he made a site visit to.
- Matt McDermott- This is adjacent to that project.

**K. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Launiu (formerly Howard Hughes Corporation Block A Project); Kaka‘ako, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-056:001.**

**Recording: 1:32:31-1:41:35**

- Matt McDermott-This is another Howard Hughes project on the Diamond Head side. There were 2 inadvertent discoveries found. SHPD gave concurrence for screening of the back dirt pile. The first location is known to have been an area known for salt pans. The individual may have been disturbed when that salt pan was made in the early 1800s or early 1900s. May do a site visit with Traven today.
- Member Erhorn-Asks if they are contacting the cultural descendants.
- Matt McDermott- They are not. Howard Hughes is. They are trying to help the process along.
- Member Ako-Since November 12 there has been another discovery?
- Matt McDermott-On the 18<sup>th</sup> there was another discovery. The remains are in place and SHPD concurred with an investigation which was finished. We’re in consultation with descendants right now. The request for SIHP numbers is underway. The discovery was about a meter down.
- Chair Caceres-Believe Howard Hughes should send letters requesting additional time for a in so SHPD remains compliant with those rules.
- Member Ako – When we talk about consultation, what are the protocols on how that looks like? If there are none, then all kinds of things could be called consultation. Some kinds of consultation may go deeper than others.
- Chair Caceres – In his experience Howard Hughes goes above and beyond with this. 888 Alia does the opposite and leaves the burden on SHPD. It depends on the relationship that the project has with SHPD. In a situation like this where a Burial Sites Specialist from

another island is taking on the workload for an entire other island there is a problem. Will bring it up with Kea.

- Member Ako – This is an issue for the whole archipelago that needs to be addressed.

**L. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discoveries of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains during implementation of HART HRTP City Center Archaeological Monitoring Plan, Halekauwila Street and Cooke Street; Nimitz Highway near Fort and Bishop Streets, various TMKs.**

**Recording: 1:41:36-1:43:56**

*Chair Caceres recuses himself*

- Matt McDermott- We discussed this at the last OIBC meeting. There are 4 inadvertent discoveries awaiting a letter of determination. The oldest goes back to December 30, 2024. That individual was complete and flexed and probably can be preserved in place. The other three are fragments in disturbed contexts. The request for the SIHP numbers will be put in soon. Gives locations of the remaining three individuals.
- Member Ehrhorn-SHPD has taken the lead with consultation in this case?
- Matt McDermott- Yes, HART has given some information to descendants for this, but Regina has taken the lead. Forwarded info to Traven yesterday.

**M. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Pōka‘ī Bay, Wai‘anae Ahupua‘a, Wai‘anae District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 8-6-001:007.**

**Recording: 1:44:00-1:49:08**

- Traven Apiki – No updates.
- Chair Caceres – Requests updates on where in the process this case is and who has taken temporary curation of the iwi.
- Traven Apiki – Glen Kila spoke with Traven, is temporarily curating the iwi. Trying to find a place to inter the remains.
- Chair Caceres – Will contact Inpeace about a possible location. The context of the discover is that there was a houseless person digging at Pōka‘ī bay who dug into the sand and found a skull and was walking around with it. Police were contacted, who then contacted DLNR. Reinterment at the original location is difficult since exactly where it was found is unknown.
- Member Erhorn – We should be able to inter it on public land at Pōka‘ī Bay though.
- Chair Caceres – Agrees to look into it.
- Traven Apiki – Notes that the individual government landowners would still need to give permission and coordinate.
- Chair Caceres – Mentions that distance from the water line at shore also matters.
- Traven Apiki – Agrees that this is sometimes the case and explains further the contexts in which that may occur.
- Member Erhorn – Landowners around the bay are state, city and federal.
- Chair Caceres – Asks if SHPD has been a part of identifying descendants.
- Traven Apiki – SHPD has only been part of one discussion with Glen Kila so far.

**N. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Mauna Lahilahi Beach Park, Mākaha Ahupua‘a, Wai‘anae District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 8-4-001:008.**

**Recording: 1:49:10-1:50:50**

- Traven Apiki – SHPD was notified on October 30th, Sam of Archaeology Branch went out the next day. Discovery was due to beach erosion. Glen Kila was granted temporary custody. A reinterment area is being sought out. A letter of determination was sent out.
- Member Erhorn – Asks who the landowner of the area is.
- Traven Apiki – Parks and Recreation, City and County of Honolulu.
- Chair Caceres – That area is known for iwi appearing from beach erosion. Has visited the area before.
- Member Erhorn – Says that Mauna Lahilahi was formerly private land. Thinks it was transferred to the state. Perhaps they can help with this.

**O. Discussion Regarding Letter from Hawai‘i Department of Transportation, dated November 28, 2025, Regarding Section 106 Consultation on the Cellular Vehicle-To-Everything (V2X) System.**

**Recording: 1:50:51-1:55:40**

- Member Ako- There are a lot of letters in the packet from the US Government, unclear what our relationship is with them.
- Chair Caceres- This is a state project that is receiving federal funding and we are a consulting party.
- Susan Lebo- These are letters notifying the consultation project is beginning. HDOT has been delegated to carry out the consultation process for the federal government. At the end of the day, federal highways is responsible for the consultation. They are seeking to know who is an interested party to consult on the project and things involved. If you do want to provide manao, you can send them directly to them but its also good to send to us to make sure the comments were received and provide input on how those comments were addressed. They can be addressed to Jess as the administrator but be sure to put the project number on there.

**P. Discussion Regarding Letter from Bowers + Kubota Consulting, Inc., dated November 25, 2025, Regarding HRS Chapter 343 Environmental Assessment Pre-Assessment Consultation for Public Land Acquisition and Improvements for Kāne‘ohe Property Project Located at 45-045 Kamehameha Highway, Kāne‘ohe Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu TMK: (1) 4-5-035:010.**

**Recording: 1:55:44-1:56:54**

- No Comments

**Q. Discussion Regarding Letter from Hawai‘i Department of Transportation, dated December 3, 2025, Regarding Section 106 Consultation on the Traffic Signal Modernization at Various Locations, Phase 4.**

**Recording: 1:56:58-1:57:35**

- No Comments

**R. Discussion Regarding Letter from Hawai‘i Department of Transportation, dated December 4, 2025, Regarding Section 106 Consultation on the Traffic Signal Modernization at Various Locations, Phase 4A.**

**Recording: 1:57:36-1:58:01**

- No Comments

## **V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Executive Session to Consult with OIBC’s Attorney on Questions and Issues Pertaining to OIBC’s Powers, Duties, Privileges, Immunities, and Liabilities with Respect to Ongoing Investigations and Alleged Violations of Chapter 6E, HRS, and its Implementing Administrative Rules, that may Involve Burial Sites and Human Remains under OIBC’s Jurisdiction, Pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4).**

**Recording: 1:58:02-2:00:35**

- Chair Caceres-Recently received a response that the investigation is still on-going. Was told she will do what she can to speed things along.
- Member Erhart – Recalls being told that the investigation was completed and being proof-read.
- Chair Caceres- AG investigation concluded. DLNR opened an investigation of possible administrative violations. As a result SHPD can’t replace staff until the investigation is concluded. She has committed to monthly updates. Reached out to OHA compliance office to see if they can provide support.

**B. Discussion and Approval of the Department’s Recommendation to Recognize the Applicant, Trisha Kehaulani Watson Sproat, to Previously Identified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains, Iwi Kūpuna, at the Waikīkī Aquarium, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-1-031:006.**

**Recording: 2:00:36-2:00:51**

- Deffered to January, 2026 OIBC meeting.

**C. Discussion Regarding Implementation of the Burial Treatment Plan for Iwi Kūpuna at Kawaiahā‘o Church Multi-Purpose Center/Building Project, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-032:017.**

**Recording: 7:45-31:20**

- Suzanne Boatman-Hawaiian dredging will be done prepping the site on Saturday and depends on how quickly they will get the aggregate in. Expecting about 30 truck loads a day. For safety reasons the pit area is being raised by 4 feet, compacted, and then dug into those areas to provide a more stable walking surface for those doing the reinterment. Several boxes have been placed and they continue today. 1, 7, and 10 the whole section will be a box....Anything done culturally prior to the entering the lua, participants must be in closed toed shoes, long pants, and long sleeves. There is a minimal amount of light required. Hard

hats and safety vests will be waived. There are two viewing windows that can be covered if needed. Two meetings ago descendants made a request to have the windows put in but black fabric can be lowered over the windows to keep locations private. Lani can be contacted for viewing if needed. The news story was the only way to relay information to the greater community. Many descendants have family buried there that haven't come forward and so this was the best way to provide the information to everyone. The reinterment will begin Monday.

- Chair Caceres-Thank you. Was present this morning at the church to prepare the kupuna for the reinterment.
- Suzanne Boatman-Kalehua has taken charge of that. We do maintain a chain of custody and have people present but Lani can put people in contact with Kalehua.
- Kamuela Kalai-Two things. Reburial is sacred. The fact that the church thinks its ok to let the greater community know what is going on this way, its hewa. If the church doesn't understand that, they need to consult with us first before they broadcast it across the world or install the windows. If a comment needs to be made, it can be said that this is a sacred event for the descendants that came forward. I only care about getting the kupuna reburied. Suzanne doesn't have obligation to anyone other than the kupuna that need to be buried. I'm offended that I have to hear about this from a friend who sent the story to me. If you want to make it right, consult with us first. The church is here because of decisions that their leadership made 15-20 years ago.
- Suzanne Boatman-You asked for a viewing area. The night of the kanu, that is how descendants can view. The date was never put out for the kanu until just moments ago. They were asked not to roll the footage until after the kanu. There won't be anymore news coverage until after the kanu. You'll have to decide whether you'll want to be a part of it and view it or not. This was a conscious decision based off recognized descendants requests.
- Kamuela Kalai-Don't put my name with this plexi glass who requested this. That is not what I meant. The damage is already done so fix it. Once you let reporters in, you don't have control over the story.
- Member Ako-I empathize with the challenges of working with media. Once you start with them, they will pursue their own agenda.
- Vice-Chair Shafer-Even with all the pilikia we have we are moving forward. Thank you.
- Chair Caceres-Would urge any descendants to reach out to Lani.

*Discussion moves to Item IV. A.*

**D. Discussion Regarding Archaeological Inventory Survey and DRAFT Burial Treatment Plan for Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains – Iwi Kupuna – at the Waikīkī Aquarium, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-1-031:006.**

**Recording: 2:00:57- 2:24:50**

- Doug Hazelwood- They requested that this agenda item read a little differently. They are looking for consideration regarding temporary relocation of iwi kupuna. Last month he presented on this project requesting temporary relocation and the council asked for a plan to be brought forth this month for their consideration. Summarizes where the project is currently at in the process.
- Chair Caceres – asks which burials will be relocated.
- Doug Hazelwood – HSR-1 and HSR-4; fragmentary remains. Descendants approved.

*Motions and vote (2:09:45)*

**MOTION:** **To Amend Agenda to Add a Determination for Emergency Relocation of the iwi.**

**MOVED BY:** **Vice-Chair Shafer**

**2ND BY:** **Member Erhorn**

**VOTE:** **Motion carried unanimously**

- Member Erhorn – Suggests expanding the existing crypt rather than creating an additional one, which may help with costs.
- Doug Hazelwood- Concurs that it may be a good idea.
- Member Erhorn – Says that he has wondered why that idea has not already been implemented, is the existing crypt too small?
- Doug Hazelwood – The descendants requested that they not disturb the existing crypt.
- Chair Caceres - Was the line shifted?
- Doug Hazelwood – No.
- Chair Caceres – If HSR-1 and HSR-4 are to be disinterred to HSR-3, cant we just put those two burials in a vault?
- **\*Unknown\***- The line is very close to the remains.
- Doug Hazelwood – The plan to relocate HSR-1 and HSR-4 to HSR-3 was at the suggestion of the descendants. It could be possible to preserve in place though. There was a concern that heavy rains could affect the remains where they are.
- Chair Caceres- While he understands the descendants concerns, he is concerned that the iwi are being moved a long distance.
- Doug Hazelwood – The burials appear to be secondary deposits of fragments. There could be closer locations they could be taken too, but it would require more excavation.
- Member Ako- Asks what consultation looks like. How does it go about?
- Doug Hazelwood – The consultation is in the BTP. Posted legal notices in Ka Wai Ola o OHA and the Star-Advertiser. A website was created, referred to in the other communications. Sent emails and letters to about 40 people. This was the initial recruitment of consultants. Began in July, reached out to community. University also came to the OIBC at about the same time.
- Member Ako – Commends their efforts. Is concerned that some firms do things differently.
- Chair Caceres- When the proposal was made to the 13 cultural descendants...
- Doug Hazelwood – None of the comments were in writing. Keala Norman did suggest moving the crypt further away.
- Member Erhorn – Asks how far above sea level the bottom of the crypt is.
- Jason Lee – The water table is about 7 feet below ground. The bottom of the crypt is about three feet above that.
- Doug Hazelwood- The bottom of the crypt is 90 cm below the soil surface.
- Chair Caceres- Feels like consulting parties were given adequate time. Is comfortable with relocation as a permanent burial preserve.

*Motions and vote (2:23:20)*

**MOTION:** **To Make Determination for Emergency Relocation of HSR1 and HSR4 to a Crypt Adjacent to HSR3**

**MOVED BY:** **Member Erhorn**

**2ND BY:** **Member Mills**

**VOTE:** **Motion carried unanimously**

*Discussion moves to Item V. M.*

**E. Discussion Regarding Previously Identified Iwi Kupuna, SIHP # 50-80-14-10218, Identified During an Archaeological Inventory Survey for the Demolition and Construction of a New 2-Story SFD Project at 3037 Kalakaua Avenue, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 3-1-033:006.**

**Recording: 2:42:37-2:43:37**

- Mara Mulrooney - Would like OIBC’s guidance on this project. Consultation is ongoing for the burial treatment plan. Will need to defer to next month’s meeting.
- Chair Caceres – All agenda items E through L will go into the top of next month’s agenda. Please send any needed documents two weeks before next month’s meeting.

**F. Discussion Regarding Archaeological Inventory Survey for the Rehabilitation of Chamber Level Waterproofing and Related Improvements Project, Phase 3 (DAGS Job No. 12-10-1004, 12-10-1045, 12-10-1046) at the Hawai‘i State Capitol Building located at 415 S. Beretania Street, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-1-024:015 and (1) 2-1-024:016.**

**Recording: 2:43:38-2:43:56**

- Mara Mulrooney-Can be removed from the agenda

**G. Discussion Regarding Ongoing Documentation and Recovery Efforts at Kualoa Regional Beach Park, Kualoa I Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-9-004:001.**

**Recording: 2:44:00-2:44:11**

- No update

**H. Discussion Regarding Pali Lanes Adaptive Reuse Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMKs (1) 4-2-038:020 and portions of 015, 034, and 045.**

**Recording: 2:44:13-2:47:09**

- Alani Apio-There were finds of iwi kupuna after the fact of an AIS including iwi from two different infants. Descendants would like to preserve them in place as there appears to be a burial pit in the sidewall. Developer agreed and we’re meeting tomorrow night to finalize plans for the above ground burial site. Afterwards it will be written into a BTP for approval.

**I. Discussion Regarding Addendum Archaeological Inventory Survey in Support of the Kīhāpai Place Development Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-058:065 and 066.**

**Recording: 2:47:12- 3:08:54**

- Alani Apio – Gave a review of the background of the project. Originally started by Green Waters, who conducted an AIS. AIS was not properly conducted. SHPD required a do-over. Cultural Surveys Hawai‘i was hired to do that. During that phase a burial was identified. This new AIS was submitted to SHPD and approved, along with a Burial Treatment Plan. A

reburial ceremony was conducted. Green Waters went bankrupt. A part-owner of that company then bought the property. They built a retaining wall, and a new burial find was made. That developer also went bankrupt and never created a burial treatment plan. City then purchased the land for affordable housing. Tradwind Capital one the bid to develop it for them.

- Chris Fong – Recaps on the project. 42 units, two bedroom. Four stories tall. Leased to Tradewind Capital for 75 years. Hope to break ground by the end of 2026 and complete by 2028.
- Brennan – Provides timeline of the history of Archaeological investigation. Also added information about the current work being done on the property. Two isolated teeth discovered during screening. Alani Apio notified on June 24, 2025, who notified descendants. SHPD notified June 24, 2025. Teeth in temporary curation per consultation with descendants. Summarized the extent of the archaeological work. Presented a draft burial treatment plan. Consultants wish to reinter the teeth. The descendants wish to reinter iwi from SIHP 50-80-11-08819. A rock wall will be made around the burial preserve.

**J. Discussion on the Draft Burial Treatment Plan for the Kīhāpai Place Development Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-3-058:065 and 066.**

**Recording: 2:47:12-3:08:54**

*Communication for this item was conducted under Item V.I.*

**K. Discussion Regarding Archaeological Inventory Survey for the Proposed Olai Green Hydrogen and Solar Project, Honouliuli Ahupua‘a, ‘Ewa District, Island of O‘ahu TMK: (1) 9-1-031:001 and (1) 9-1-031:008.**

**Recording: 3:08:56-3:17:17**

- Mara Mulrooney- Provided an informational update. Project will produce electricity, which can then be used to convert water into hydrogen and oxygen to be sold as fuel. Project area includes a portion of a historic trail. A U.S. army road formerly went through the area. Area was also used as a large feed lot operation for the meat industry. 20 previous archaeological studies in the area. Limestone pit features (some containing iwi) identified, military features, habitation features, and pre-contact cultural deposits. Will return with AIS testing strategy.

**L. Discussion Regarding Supplemental Archaeological Inventory Survey for the City Center Portion of the Honolulu Rapid Transit Project, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O‘ahu, TMKs: (1) 2-1-014, (1) 2-1-016, (1) 2-1-026, (1) 2-1-027, (1) 2-1-030, (1) 2-1-031, (1) 2-1-050, (1) 2-1-051, and (1) 2-1-052 (multiple parcels).**

**Recording: 3:17:18- 3:18:29**

- Matt McDermott- Will send powerpoint to OIBC members.

*Discussion moves to Item V. P.*

**M. Discussion Regarding the Recommendation of the O‘ahu Island Burial Council to Accept the Testimony Presented Regarding Native Hawaiian Burial Sites Located at Waikiki Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 2-7-011:008 and (1) 2-7-011:009.**

**Recording: 2:38:52-2:42:46**

- Ke‘alohilani Wong – Submitted burial registration form to SHPD. Did site visit with SHPD (Samantha – Archaeology).
- Traven Apiki – Ke‘alohilani and Sam did a site visit, identified the exact locations of the burials. GPS points were taken. No archaeological evidence shows the presence of the burials. OIBC can make a motion to accept the burial registration.
- Vice-Chair Shafer leaves after the motion and vote for this agenda item.

*Motions and vote (2:41:10)*

**MOTION:** **To Make the Recommendation to the Department to Accept the Oral Testimony Provided Regarding the Location of a Burial Site**  
**MOVED BY:** Vice-Chair Shafer  
**2ND BY:** Member Ako  
**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously

*Discussion moves to Item V. E.*

**N. Discussion Regarding an Update on the O‘ahu Island Burial Council Recommendation to Give Recognition for Kanenelu Beach Park Burial Ground Located in Ka‘a‘awa Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olauloa District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 5-1-013:011.**

**Recording: 2:25:38- 2:38:55**

- Traven Apiki- The council can recommend to SHPD to accept oral testimony about a burial site location, making the iwi previously identified. In September 2021 the council had Kanenelu Beach Park recognized as a burial site. Deputy AG decided that the way it was done was incorrect to the process. Part of the reason was the way the motion was worded. Part of it was that the exact locations of the burials were not known. Only a general location was given. What can be done is SHPD can create a plan to address future inadvertent discoveries.
- Member Mills – Glad to see proactive action being made.
- Traven Apiki – Other areas with coastal erosion are being examined. There is a coastal erosion working group.
- Vice-Chair Schafer- recalls times when heavy rain and erosion have caused problems
- Traven Apiki-OIBC does not need to take action on this.
- Member Erhart- Wants SHPD to present the final plan to the OIBC.
- Chair Caceres- brings up the sensitivity of an area in Kailua.
- Nick Belluzo – The O‘ahu Historic Preservation Commission has tried to identify an area in Kailua as nominally sensitive. Affects historic preservation review.
- Member Erhart – Why was the city able to consider this and DLNR is cautious about it?
- Chair Caceres- The process Nick has brought up is because the DPP does not need to send permits to SHPD under new legislation, whereas the Kanenelu iwi are naturally eroding out of the land.
- Vice-Chair Schafer- The issues are similar at Kualoa, where iwi are coming out of the ground.
- Traven Apiki- Regina had started working with descendants to address Kualoa, but he hasn't followed up yet.

- Member Ako – The Oahu Historic Commission is under the City and County and the OIBC is under DLNR. The agencies could be conflicting each other since they both have responsibilities to burials.
- We are losing quorum, can only receive updates and testimonies.
- Traven before Ben Schafer leaves can we recognize Kealohilani?

*Discussion moves to Item V. E.*

**O. Discussion Regarding an Update on the O‘ahu Island Burial Council Recommendation to Give Recognition for Two Burial Areas Located at 49-051 Johnson Rd., Hakipu‘u Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 4-9-003:002.**

**Recording: 3:25:30-3:36:27**

- Traven Apiki – In June, 2020 the Fukumitsu family was recognized as descendants to two individuals buried on the subject parcel. In October, 2020, the OIBC recommended recognition of the two burial areas. There were discrepancies on the locations of the burials based on multiple maps, so the action did not move forward. Part of the discussion at the time was done in executive session, so minutes are not available for that portion of the discussion.
- Kamuela Kalai – Was present for the previous meetings to recognize the burials and the descendants. Reviewed the history of how those meetings happened. Recommends that this item be on the agenda for next month.

*Discussion moves to Item VII.*

**P. Discussion Regarding the Archaeological Inventory Survey for 68-617 Crozier Drive Mokulē‘a Ahupua‘a, Waialua District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: (1) 6-8-004:005.**

**Recording: 3:18:30-3:25:24**

- Nick Belluzo- Has presented on this before, there is additional information. Iwi were originally identified during an AIS. Property formerly under sugar. Did testing per SHPD requests. Requests that OIBC send him comments via email.

*Discussion moves to Item V. O.*

**VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. The Next OIBC Meeting is Scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, 2026, 10:00 A.M., at the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kalanimoku Building, Board Room #132, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, HI 96813.**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

*Meeting Adjourns 1:48PM*

**To provide written testimony:**

We encourage interested persons to submit written testimony in advance of the meeting, which will be distributed to Council members prior to the meeting and allow a timely review. Please submit written testimony to: [Traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:Traven.apiki@hawaii.gov). Written testimony may also be mailed to: State Historic Preservation Division, Kakuhihewa Building, Attn: O'ahu Island Burial Council; Suite #555; Kapolei, HI 96707. Written testimony may be posted to the SHPD's IBC meeting website; as a precaution, please be mindful with any personal information prior to submitting unless you intend it to be shared. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the administrative record and distributed to OIBC members accordingly, but we cannot ensure the OIBC will receive it in sufficient time to review, prior to decision-making.

**To provide in-person oral testimony:**

Attend the meeting in person: address, date, and time are on the meeting notice and at the top of the agenda.

We kindly ask that all oral testimony be limited to not more than three (3) minutes. We ask that you identify yourself and any affiliation before speaking, but you can choose not to do so.

Pursuant to HRS § 92-3, all interested persons shall be afforded the opportunity to present oral testimony or submit data, views, or arguments, in writing, on any agenda item. Public testimony for items listed on the agenda is strongly recommended to be limited to three minutes per agenda item. We ask that you identify yourself and any affiliation before speaking, but you can choose not to do so.

Pursuant to HRS § 6E-43.5(e), the council may hold a closed meeting if the location and description of a burial site is under consideration.

The OIBC may go into Executive Session pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4) to consult with its attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Council's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

It is strongly recommended that any member of the public who requests for an item to be placed on a burial council meeting agenda must make this request with the Burial Sites Program staff at least two weeks preceding the scheduled meeting date. This request shall be accompanied by all related documents. Failure to comply with this procedure may delay the item to the following month's agenda.

Materials related to items on the agenda are available for review at the State Historic Preservation Division in room 555 of the Kakuhihewa Building located at 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Kapolei, Hawaii 96707.

If you need an auxillary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact: Traven Apiki, Burial Sites Specialist, at (808) 829-9322 or [traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:traven.apiki@hawaii.gov) as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled. Upon request, this agenda and other materials are available in alternate/accessible formats.

The Council may elect to go into executive session pursuant to HRS § 6E-43.5(e). The Council may close a meeting whenever location or description of a Native Hawaiian Burial site is under consideration. The chairperson, by concurrence of a majority of members present at the meeting, shall be authorized to require the public to leave the meeting while the confidential matter is being discussed and reopen the meeting once the confidential matter is no longer being considered.



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December 30, 2025

PROJECT NO: 2022PR01098  
DOC NO: 2512TA12

TO: O'ahu Island Burial Council Members

FROM: Jessica Puff, State Historic Preservation Administrator 

SUBJECT: **Descendancy Recognition Application of Trisha K. Watson to Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains Located at the Waikīkī Aquarium within Waikīkī Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of O'ahu.**

For the purpose of establishing and substantiating a cultural descendant claim to human skeletal remains, located within the above ahupua'a, the named individual, below, has submitted an application to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) for assessment and verification pursuant to Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) §13-300-35.

The Administrative Rules require that the applicant provide evidence of genealogical connections to a Native Hawaiian ancestors who once resided and/or is buried in the same ahupua'a where Native Hawaiian skeletal remains are located or originated from. In this case, the applicant has previously submitted information genealogically connecting herself to an ancestor who once resided and/or is buried in the ahupua'a of Waikīkī.

Therefore, the SHPD recommends that the OIBC recognize **Trisha K. Watson** as a **cultural descendant** to the unidentified Native Hawaiian skeletal remains found at the Waikīkī Aquarium as well as all additional iwi kupuna within the ahupua'a of Waikīkī since she satisfied the HAR requirement of demonstrating a genealogical connection to ancestors within the ahupua'a in which iwi kupuna are located or originated from and thus, has met the cultural descendant criteria for all additional iwi kupuna within the same geographic and cultural context to which her original recognition applied.

Should you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact our Hawai'i Island Burial Sites Specialist, Traven Apiki at [traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:traven.apiki@hawaii.gov).

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January 6, 2026

PROJECT NO: 2026PR00011  
DOC NO: 2601TA01

TO: O'ahu Island Burial Council Members

FROM: Jessica Puff, State Historic Preservation Administrator 

SUBJECT: **Descendancy Recognition Application of Kealohilani Wong to Family Burials, SIHP # 50-80-14-10253, -10284, -10285, and -10286, Located at Waikiki Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of O'ahu, TMK: (1) 2-7-001:008.**

For the purpose of establishing and substantiating a lineal descendant claim to human skeletal remains, located at the above property, the named individual, below, has submitted an application to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) for assessment and verification pursuant to Hawai'i Administrative Rules §13-300-35.

The Administrative Rules require that the applicant provide evidence of direct or collateral genealogical connections to certain Native Hawaiian skeletal remains. In this case, the applicant has submitted information genealogically connecting herself to Mala Kekuhaupio, who once resided on the subject property. Subsequently, at its monthly meeting on December 10, 2025, the O'ahu Island Burial Council (OIBC) recommended that SHPD recognize the above Native Hawaiian burial sites based on oral testimony presented by applicant and in accordance with HAR §13-300-31, however, the applicant was unable to identify the individuals interred.

Therefore, the SHPD recommends that the OIBC recognize Kealohilani Wong as a cultural descendant to the individuals interred within the subject burial sites.

Should you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact our Hawai'i Island Burial Sites Specialist, Traven Apiki at [traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:traven.apiki@hawaii.gov).



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Office of the Chancellor

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

To: O'ahu Island Burial Council

From: Chancellor Maenette K.P. Benham, University of Hawai'i-West O'ahu  
Dr. Ariel Gruenthal-Rankin

Subject: Update on Consultation and Intent to Submit NAGPRA Notice of Inventory Completion

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maenette Benham".

Aloha mai kākou!

This memorandum provides the O'ahu Island Burial Council (OIBC) with a formal update on consultation efforts undertaken by the University of Hawai'i-West O'ahu (UH West O'ahu) regarding ancestral remains under review, and to notify OIBC of UH West O'ahu's intent to proceed with the next required step under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).

As outlined in our memorandum to OIBC dated July 3, 2025, we recognized our kuleana to ensure transparency, community engagement, and cultural respect throughout this process. In response to recommendations from August 6, 2025, OIBC board meeting, UH West O'ahu initiated consultation in good faith and with care:

- August 22, 2025: UH West O'ahu transmitted a formal consultation letter to Hui Iwi Kuamo'o, with a stated deadline of September 30, 2025.
- October 30, 2025: Consultation period was proposed to remain open to allow additional time for response.
- November 2025: Consultation window was extended further out of an abundance of caution and respect for potential engagement.

Despite these efforts, no inquiries, requests for additional information, or consultation responses were received.

Given the absence of contact or engagement, UH West O'ahu formally closed the consultation period as of November 30, 2025. This determination was made only after providing multiple opportunities and extended timelines for response.

Under NAGPRA, the next steps are to submit a Notice of Inventory Completion (NIC) based on:

- The lack of identifiable provenance,
- The absence of evidence establishing cultural affiliation, and
- The completion of consultation efforts consistent with NAGPRA requirements,

UH West O'ahu is now informing the O'ahu Island Burial Council of its intent to submit to the National NAGPRA Program a Notice of Inventory Completion (NIC). This submission will reflect that, despite diligent research and consultation, no cultural affiliation or origin of the remains could be reasonably determined. As you know, once the NIC is submitted to the National NAGPRA Program, a six-month period for claims of cultural affiliation is provided.

UH West O'ahu remains committed to mālama 'āina, cultural protocol, and continued transparency. Should new information emerge or should OIBC wish to provide guidance or input at this stage, UH West O'ahu welcomes such engagement and will incorporate it into the official record where appropriate.

Mahalo for your continued stewardship and guidance.

Cc:     Regina Hilo, SHPD  
          Bruce Matsui, UH System  
          David McDonald, UH West O'ahu, VC Administration  
          Dr. Ariel Gruenthal-Rankin

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November 29, 2025

TTD 947552

SENT VIA EMAIL

Makoa Caceres, Waianae Representative  
O'ahu Island Burial Council  
[dlnr@hawaii.gov](mailto:dlnr@hawaii.gov)

Dear Mr. Makoa Caceres:

**SUBJECT:** National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106: Consultation with Native Hawaiian Organizations and Potential Consulting Parties Computerized Traffic Control Systems, Phase 16 – Wai'anae Federal-Aid Project No. STP-0001(66)  
Districts of Wai'anae (Wai'anae and Mākaha Ahupua'a)  
Tax Map Keys: (POR.): (1) 8-4-001, -011; (1) 8-5-002; (1) 8-5-002, -008, -010, -011, -012, -013, -014, -015, -016, -017, -018, -024, -025, -028; (1) 8-6-001, -015, -016, -017, -018; (1) 8-7-016; City and County of Honolulu Right-of-Way, and State Road Right-of-Way

On behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the City and County of Honolulu Department of Transportation Services (DTS) is hereby notifying you that on November 5, 2025, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966 (amended, 2006), was initiated with the Department of Land and Natural Resources State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) for the subject Computerized Traffic Control Systems Project.

The proposed federally funded DTS project is considered a federal action and undertaking as defined in CFR, Part 800.16(y). Effective May 1, 2016, FHWA has issued a Delegation of Authority entitling local public agencies to conduct NHPA Section 106 consultations with the SHPO, Native Hawaiian organizations (NHO), and qualified consulting parties per CFR, Part 800.2(c)(4). The FHWA will remain responsible for all findings and determinations charged to the agency during the Section 106 process.

**Overview of the Undertaking**

This Project involves work to install new Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) traffic cameras and Fiber Optic communications along Farrington Highway from Ma'ili'ili Road to Mākaha Valley Road.

The Area of Potential Effect (APE) for the project is shown on Figures 1 through 6. The APE includes all the potential work areas and other areas that could be used for access, staging, or potentially affected by the proposed action.

Ground disturbing activities are required for installation of new pull boxes, CCTV equipment cabinets, and trenching for electrical and communications conduits which will run along the stretch of Farrington Highway from Ma'ili'ili Road to Mākaha Valley Road. The sites for each camera are anticipated to be at the following intersections:

- a. Farrington Highway at Ma'ili'ili Road
- b. Farrington Highway at Leihōkū Street
- c. Farrington Highway at Wai'anae Mall Entrance
- d. Farrington Highway at Puhano Street
- e. Farrington Highway at Lualualei Homestead Road
- f. Farrington Highway at Wai'anae Valley Road
- g. Farrington Highway at Old Government Road
- h. Farrington Highway at Wai'anae Middle School Access Road
- i. Farrington Highway at Ala 'Akau Street
- j. Farrington Highway at Wai'anae High School Entrance
- k. Farrington Highway at Mākaha Valley Road

### **Consultations**

Entitled consulting parties during the Section 106 process includes the Advisory Council of Historic Preservation, SHPO, NHO, and if applicable, applicants for federal assistance, permits, licenses and other approvals.

### **NHO and/or Hawaiian Descendants**

NHO and Native Hawaiian descendants with ancestral, lineal or cultural ties to, cultural and historical property knowledge of and/or concerns for, and cultural or religious attachment to the proposed APE are asked to provide a response to this letter within 30 days of notification.

### Other Individuals and Organizations

Individuals and organizations with legal, economic or historic preservation interest are requested to respond within 30 days of notification and demonstrate your interest in the proposed undertaking and provide intent to participate in the Section 106 process. Your participation is subject to FHWA approval.

### **Request for Comment on the Area of Potential Effect**

In addition to providing us with information on other consulting parties, we also ask for your written comment on the proposed APE (Figures 1 through 6).

The approximate area of the APE is 32.2 acres of state-owned land occupied by Farrington Highway. The APE covers a linear alignment 2.8 miles long from the intersection of Farrington Highway and Ma'ili'ili Road, to the intersection of Farrington Highway and Mākaha Valley Road. The width ranges from approximately 80 feet through Wai'anae, to 175 feet at Ma'ili'ili Bridge. This region includes portions of ahupua'a of Wai'anae and Mākaha. Refer to Figure 1.

The proposed work will take place within the existing Hawai'i Department of Transportation (HDOT) and City and County of Honolulu right-of-way. All construction staging and stock piling areas will be entirely within HDOT right-of-way. Staging areas will be within the previously paved and graded areas, and/or within previously disturbed areas owned by HDOT.

### **Identification of Historic Properties Within the Area of Potential Effect**

We welcome any information you may have on historical and cultural sites that have been recorded in or which you may have knowledge of existing within the proposed APE. In addition, if you are acquainted with any persons or organization knowledgeable about the proposed APE, or any descendants with ancestral, lineal, or cultural ties to or cultural knowledge of and/or historical properties information for or concerns for, and cultural or religious attachment to the proposed project area, we would appreciate receiving their names and contact information within 30 days of notice.

On behalf of FHWA, DTS, by way of this letter is notifying you of the proposed Computerized Traffic Control Systems, Phase 16 – Wai'anae project. Should you want to participate in the Section 106 process, we request your written intent. Please also provide your comments on the proposed APE, any information you may have on cultural and/or historical sites that have been recorded within the APE, as well as the names and contact information of people/organizations who may have cultural affiliations and historical properties information in the vicinity of the proposed APE.

Makoa Caceres, Waianae Representative  
November 29, 2025  
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All written responses shall be emailed within 30 days from notification to Mr. Michael Sabido, Project Manager at DTS, [michael.sabido@honolulu.gov](mailto:michael.sabido@honolulu.gov) or mailed to 711 Kapi‘olani Boulevard, Suite 1600 Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813. Please feel free to contact Michael Sabido at (808) 768-8393 or by email if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



J. Roger Morton  
Director

Attachment: APE Maps



January 7, 2026

Sent via email: [jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov](mailto:jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov)

Mr. Jordan Calpito, History and Culture Branch Chief  
Island Burial Councils, State Historic Preservation Division  
Department of Land and Natural Resources  
State of Hawai'i  
601 Kamokila Blvd., Room 555  
Kapolei, HI 96707

Subject: National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 Consultation  
State Hawai'i Public Housing Authority's 2025 Environmental Review Project  
Tax Map Keys: (1) 6-7-016:028, (3) 8-1-002:049, (3) 2-4-056:021, (3) 1-6-143:035,  
(4) 5-2-008:056, (4) 2-1-003:017, and (4) 4-6-014:105  
Statewide, Hawai'i

Dear Mr. Calpito:

The State of Hawai'i (Hawai'i), Hawai'i Public Housing Authority (HPHA) is initiating National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation as part of their 2025 federal environmental review for potential repairs for certain low-income housing projects (2025 Environmental Review Project). This project involves potential repair and rehabilitation improvements that may be implemented by HPHA for seven (7) housing projects over the next five years. These housing projects are located on the islands of O'ahu, Kaua'i, and Hawai'i as identified below, and more information is provided on the attachment.

1. Hale Ho'olulu; 4264 Ala Muku Place, Kīlauea, Kaua'i
2. Hale Ho'onanea; 4401 Waialo Road, 'Ele'ele, Kaua'i
3. Hale Nana Kai O Kea; 4850 Kawaihau Road, Kapa'a, Kaua'i
4. Hale Ho'okipa; 81-1038 Nani Kuipuna Place, Kealakekua, Hawai'i
5. Hale Olaloa; 144 Kamana Street, Hilo, Hawai'i
6. Hale Aloha O Puna; 16-189 Pili Mua Street, Kea'au, Hawai'i
7. Kupuna Home O Waialua; 67-088 Goodale Avenue, Waialua, O'ahu

Federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) would be used for repair and rehabilitation projects needed for these housing projects. Repair and rehabilitation improvements implemented would not be considered a "major construction activity." Such improvements would involve one or a combination of several HUD designated categories of Categorically Excluded (CatEx) actions identified under 24 CFR 58.35(a). As a result, HPHA is conducting this environmental review to satisfy HUD CatEx requirements which includes Section 106 consultation under the NHPA.

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Island Burial Councils, State Historic Preservation Division

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These seven housing projects have or will reach 50 years in age within the five-year period for which repair and rehabilitation improvements may be implemented (2026-2031). Therefore, they are being assessed for historic significance and we appreciate any comments your organization may have. A historic architectural assessment conducted determined that only Hale Hookipa, Hale Olaloa, and Kupuna Home O Waialua still retain some historic architectural significance because the other housing sites have undergone several building renovations and repairs over the decades. If moderate soil disturbance (>3 feet deep) may be required for repair work (e.g. water line repair, drainage, etc.), various minimization measures are proposed to address potential subsurface historic sites. These measures were previously developed for other HPHA housing projects in coordination with the State Historic Preservation Division and are similarly planned to be incorporated.

HPHA is considering a “no adverse effect” for repair and rehabilitation improvements to four housing sites and “no effect” to the other three sites because they don’t meet historic significance criteria or have low potential for archaeological effects. The improvements also only involve repair and rehabilitation improvements that would not significantly alter the housing developments. Minimization measures are proposed to address historic architecture and archaeology, and the attachment provides more information for your review.

We would appreciate receiving written comments within thirty (30) calendar days from receiving this. Written comments should be emailed to [rsato@bowersandkubota.com](mailto:rsato@bowersandkubota.com) or mailed to the following address:

Mr. Ronald Sato, AICP  
Bowers + Kubota Consulting, Inc.  
1601 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1110  
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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (808) 521-5361 or by email at [rsato@bowersandkubota.com](mailto:rsato@bowersandkubota.com).

Sincerely yours,  
Bowers + Kubota Consulting, Inc.



Ronald A. Sato, AICP  
Sr. Project Manager

RS/TS

Enclosures:  
1. Project Information Attachment

## PROJECT INFORMATION

January 7, 2026

**Subject:** National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 Consultation  
State Hawai'i Public Housing Authority's (HPHA) 2025 Environmental Review (ER) Project  
Tax Map Keys: (1) 6-7-016:028, (3) 8-1-002:049, (3) 2-4-056:021, (3) 1-6-143:035,  
(4) 5-2-008:056, (4) 2-1-003:017, and (4) 4-6-014:105  
Statewide, Hawai'i

The State of Hawai'i (Hawai'i), Hawai'i Public Housing Authority (HPHA) is initiating National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation as part of their 2025 federal environmental review for potential repairs for certain low-income housing projects (2025 Environmental Review Project). This project involves potential repair and rehabilitation improvements that may be implemented by HPHA for seven (7) housing projects over the next five years (2026-2031). Bowers + Kubota Consulting, Inc. (B+K) is assisting the HPHA with this undertaking and Section 106 consultation.

Federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) would be used for repair and rehabilitation projects needed for these housing projects. As a result, HPHA is conducting Section 106 consultation under the NHPA to support environmental review of these activities to satisfy HUD Categorical Exclusion requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act.

### **A. Description of the Undertaking**

The HPHA is responsible for providing affordable and adequate housing to low-income individuals and families across the State. As such, HPHA is responsible for repairing and maintaining their properties in keeping with this mission. HPHA is proposing to implement repair or rehabilitation improvements to seven housing projects located on the islands of O'ahu, Kaua'i, and Hawai'i as identified below. Figures 1 to 7 in Appendix 1 include a location map and site plan of these housing sites.

1. Hale Ho'olulu; 4264 Ala Muku Place, Kilauea, Kaua'i
2. Hale Hoonanea; 4401 Waialo Road, Eleele, Kaua'i
3. Hale Nana Kai O Kea; 4850 Kawaihau Road, Kapa'a, Kaua'i
4. Hale Hookipa; 81-1038 Nani Kuipuna Place, Kealakekua, Hawai'i
5. Hale Olaloa; 144 Kamana Street, Hilo, Hawai'i
6. Hale Aloha O Puna; 16-189 Pili Mua Street, Keaau, Hawai'i
7. Kupuna Home O Waialua; 67-088 Goodale Avenue, Waialua, O'ahu

### **Description of Improvements**

Repair and rehabilitation improvements (the Undertaking) implemented would not be considered a "major construction activity" under HUD's regulations. Such improvements would involve one or a combination of several HUD designated categories of Categorically Excluded (CatEx) actions identified under 24 CFR 58.35(a) identified below.

1. Acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of public facilities and improvements (other than buildings) when the facilities and improvements are in place and will be retained in the same use without change in size or capacity of more than 20 percent (e.g. replacement of water or sewer lines, reconstruction of curbs and sidewalks, repaving of streets).
2. Special projects directed to the removal of material and architectural barriers that restrict the mobility of and accessibility to elderly and handicapped persons.
3. Rehabilitation of buildings and improvements when the following conditions are met:
  - 3.a. In the case of a building for residential use (with one to four units), the density is not increased beyond four units, and the land use is not changed;
  - 3.b. In the case of multifamily residential buildings: 3.b.1) Unit density is not changed by more than 20 percent; 3.b.2) The project does not involve changes in land use from residential to non-residential; and 3.b.3) The estimated cost of rehabilitation is less than 75 percent of the total estimated cost of replacement after rehabilitation.
  - 3.c. In the case of non-residential structures, including commercial industrial, and public buildings: 3.c.1) The facilities and improvements are in place and will not be changed in size or capacity by more than 20 percent; and 3.c.2) The activity does not involve a change in land use, such as from non-residential to residential, commercial to industrial, or from one industrial use to another.
- 4.a. An individual action on up to four dwelling units where there is a maximum of four units on any one site. The units can be four one-unit buildings or one four-unit buildings or any combination in between; or
- 4.b. An individual action on a project of five or more housing units developed on scattered sites when the sites are more than 2,000 feet apart and there are not more than four housing units on any one site.
- 4.c. Paragraphs 4.a. and 4.b. do not apply to rehabilitation of a building for residential use (with one to four units) (see section 3.a.).
5. Acquisition (including leasing) or disposition of, or equity loans on an existing structure, or acquisition (including leasing) of vacant land provided that the structure or land acquired, financed, or disposed of will be retained for the same use.
6. Combinations of the above activities.

Types of repair and renovation improvements could also consist of site and dwelling improvements that may include modernization of buildings (interior and exterior), infrastructure repair and upgrades (sewer, water, drainage), utility repair and upgrades (mechanical, electrical, gas), telecommunication antenna improvements, abatement of hazardous materials, accessibility improvements, concrete repair, solar hot water installation with installation of tank less gas-fired instantaneous backup, site lighting, tree trimming, resurfacing or paving of parking lots and sidewalks, and wall repair. For projects with elevators, improvements could consist of elevator upgrades.

#### **Area of Potential Effect (APE)**

The area of potential effect (APE) for this undertaking is each of these site's property boundaries, as the anticipated repair and maintenance work would typically be minor and occur within the property parcels. Site maps of each property are included as Appendix 1.

## B. Identification of Existing Historic Properties

Seven (7) housing projects have or will reach 50 years in age within the five-year period for which repair and rehabilitation improvements may be implemented (2026-2031). Therefore, they are being assessed for their historic significance under State or National Historic Register criteria.

### Existing Historic Architectural Properties

MASON conducted a Reconnaissance Level Survey (RLS) to evaluate their historic architectural significance and determined that three of the housing sites retain historical significance. The other four housing sites did not retain historical significance due to prior renovations that have occurred over the decades. Sites were assessed under Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) §13-275-6, Hawai'i Register of Historic Places (HRHP) (pursuant to HAR §13-198-8 (1)), and National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) significance and integrity criteria. Table 1 summarizes the results and additional information on their assessment is provided.

**Table 1: Summary of Historic Architecture Significance Evaluations and Integrity Assessments for Housing Sites**

HPHA Housing Site	Island	Year Built	HAR Significance	NRHP Significance	Integrity
Hale Ho'olulu	Kaua'i	1974	No	No	No
Hale Ho'onanea	Kaua'i	1976	No	No	No
Hale Nana Kai O Kea	Kaua'i	1977	No	No	No
Hale Hookipa	Hawai'i	1976	Yes*	Yes**	Yes
Hale Olaloa	Hawai'i	1976	Yes*	Yes**	Yes
Hale Aloha O Puna	Hawai'i	1977	No	No	No
Kupuna Home O Waialua	O'ahu	1977	Yes*	Yes**	Yes

\* Significance evaluation based on property being 50 years in age by 2026.

\*\* Significance evaluation based on property being 50 years in age by 2027; property does not meet NRHP Criterion Consideration G exceptional importance threshold.

### Hale Ho'olulu (Kaua'i)

Hale Ho'olulu is an elderly housing site located at 4264 Ala Muku Place in Kīlauea on the north side of the island of Kaua'i. The parcel is approximately one acre and identified as Tax Map Key (TMK) (4) 5-2-008:056. The housing site was constructed in 1974 and reached 50 years of age in 2024. The development consists of five single-story buildings including a community building and mix of one-bedroom duplexes and studio quadplexes. The site includes a paved parking area with a wooden fenced trash and propane tank enclosure. Surrounding uses include a mixed-use neighborhood and undeveloped parcels.

Since its construction, Hale Ho'olulu has undergone various alterations and renovations, including repairs following Hurricane Iniki in 1992. All five buildings and the propane tank enclosure on the site were assessed and were found as not meeting significance criteria under HAR or NRHP. While some structures retained full or partial integrity of significance, neither the site as a whole nor any of the buildings individually were assessed as being historically significant.

Hale Ho'onanea (Kaua'i)

Hale Ho'onanea is a public housing development located at 4401 Waialo Road in 'Ele'ele on the south side of the island of Kaua'i. The development exists on an approximately 2.4-acre parcel identified as TMK (4) 2-1-003:017. This housing site was constructed in 1976 and will reach 50 years of age in 2026. It consists of a mix of one-bedroom and studio duplexes, a community center building, and two paved parking areas which are accessible via Waialo Road. Surrounding uses include a mix of residential, commercial, industrial, and institutional areas, as well as Port Allen Small Boat Harbor to the south.

Hale Ho'onanea has undergone some alterations, including various interior and exterior repairs following Hurricane Iniki in 1992. All 21 buildings as well as 3 trash enclosures on the site were assessed and were found to not meet significance criterion under HAR or NRHP. While some structures retained full or partial integrity of significance, neither the site as a whole nor any of the buildings individually were assessed as being historically significant.

Hale Nana Kai O Kea (Kaua'i)

Hale Nana Kai O Kea is an elderly housing site located at 4850 Kawaihau Road in Kapa'a on the island of Kaua'i. The parcel is approximately 3.5 acres and is identified as TMK (4) 4-6-014:105. The site was originally constructed in 1977 and contains a community building with a mix of 38 studio and one-bedroom units spread throughout 20 single-story buildings. Surrounding land uses include a mix of residential, public, recreational, medical, and educational uses. The housing site is directly adjacent to Samuel Mahelona Memorial Hospital to the west and a hospice development to the south, with large open spaces generally to the west.

This housing development has undergone various alterations and repairs including roofing replacement, window modifications, and extensive repairs and reconstruction following damage from Hurricane Iniki in 1992. Twenty-four resources were assessed at this site which included all structures, 3 trash enclosures, and a propane tank enclosure. None of these structures were deemed individually significant, nor were they deemed as contributing to a potential historic due to extensive alterations to the original structures and landscaping.

Hale Ho'okipa (Hawai'i)

Hale Ho'okipa is an elderly housing development situated on an approximately 5.9-acre parcel of land identified as TMK (3) 8-1-002:049 in Kealakekua on the west side of Hawai'i Island. The site is located at 81-1011 Nani Kupuna Place and consists of 32 one-bedroom units within 7 one-story buildings. The site includes paved parking areas and a central community building. Surrounding land uses include residential and agricultural uses, a Hongwanji temple and cemetery to the west, and a Hawai'i National Guard armory to the south.

Hale Ho'okipa has undergone minimal alterations since its construction, with only door replacements and minor maintenance work likely being completed. Eight individual resources were assessed on this property. These resources include all eight residential and community structures as well as the trash and propane tank enclosures. The residential and community structures were deemed as retaining their original integrity and fulfilling Criterion C (distinctive characteristics of the type, period, etc.). While none

of these structures were identified as individually significant, their maintained integrity and collective contribution to the neighborhood identifies them as contributing to a potential historic district.

**Hale Olaloa (Hawai'i)**

Hale Olaloa is an elderly housing development situated on an approximately 6.5-acre parcel identified as TMK (3) 2-4-056:021 in Waiākea on Hawai'i Island. The site is located at 144 Kamana Street and consists of a mix of approximately 50 studio and one-bedroom units spread throughout 26 single-story buildings which were originally constructed in 1976. The development includes a community building and paved internal roadways and parking lots accessible via Kamana Street. Surrounding land uses vary, with single-family dwellings, neighborhood-scale commercial, community uses, and undeveloped State-owned parcels surrounding the site.

Hale Olaloa has undergone some internal and external renovations since its construction, mainly in the 2000s when some site amenities were removed, and unit interiors and roofing were replaced or repaired. All 26 buildings, 4 trash enclosures, and a mortared basalt wall on the site were assessed. While all structures were deemed as not individually significant, this housing area collectively meets Criterion C and contributes to a potential historic district.

**Hale Aloha O Puna (Hawai'i)**

Hale Aloha O Puna is an elderly housing area located on an approximately 1.9-acre parcel identified as (3) 1-6-143:035 in Kea'au on the island of Hawai'i. The address for this housing site is 16-189 Pili Mua Street and it consists of 30 studio and one-bedroom units in nine buildings. The site was constructed in 1977 and features a community building and two paved parking lots, both accessible from Pili Mua Street. Surrounding land uses include residential, community/public services such as a fire station and health center, and undeveloped lands.

A total of 16 resources were assessed at this site, including all residential structures, the community building, and all trash and propane tank enclosures. The site has undergone various alterations since its original construction including roof, window, and door replacements, repainting, and the installation of new lighting, signage, and a new propane enclosure. Due to the extensive alterations, these structures were not designated as individually significant or contributing to a potential historic district.

**Kupuna Home O Waialua (O'ahu)**

Kupuna Home O Waialua is an elderly housing development situated on an approximately 3.3-acre parcel identified as TMK (1) 6-7-016:028 in Waialua on the island of O'ahu. The site is located at 67-088 Goodale Avenue and consists of approximately 40 studio and one-bedroom units spread throughout 20 single-story buildings. Kupuna Home O Waialua was originally constructed in 1977 and will reach 50 years of age in 2027. The development includes a community building and two paved parking lots, one accessible via Goodale Avenue and the other from Nahoa Street. Surrounding land uses include rural residential neighborhoods and agriculture as well as a Catholic church and school to the south.

Twenty-four total resources, which include the residential structures, community building, trash enclosures, and a metal shed, were assessed. While these structures were not deemed as individually significant, all these structures fully or partially retain their integrity in a majority of the significance

categories. Additionally, all residential structures and the community building meet Criterion C and contribute to a potential historic district.

#### **Existing Historic Archaeological Properties**

Research was conducted for the housing sites to characterize the potential for subsurface historic properties based upon available information. This consisted of reviewing TMK, locational data, and soil-types for the properties, researching the SHPD HICRIS geodatabase for public reports identifying existing historic sites present at the sites and within a 0.25-mile radius, and reviewing site investigation information and photos. Based upon this, the following is a summary of results.

1. Hale Ho'olulu (Kilauea, Kaua'i). Low Potential for Sites  
The housing site is located about 1.0 mile away from the shoreline and within a developed residential subdivision area, has Makapili silty clay soils (MeB) generally occurring on broad upland ridges (not sandy soils), and no HICRIS reports available indicating historic sites on the property. Given the site's location and conditions, the potential for subsurface sites should be low.
2. Hale Hoonanea (Ele'ele, Kaua'i). Low Potential for Sites  
The housing site is located about 600 feet away from the shoreline associated with Port Allen Small Boat Harbor, within a developed residential, commercial and heavier industrial area, has Makaweli silty clay loam (MgC) common with sugarcane and pasture, and no HICRIS reports available indicating historic sites on the property. Given the site's location and conditions in this heavily developed area, the potential for subsurface sites should be low.
3. Hale Nana Kai O Kea (Kapa'a, Kaua'i). Higher Potential for Sites  
The housing site is located only about 400 feet away from the shoreline situated north of Kapa'a Beach Park, is on a small plateau below (makai) a hospital and school overlooking the coastline, has Lihue silty clay (LhB) of which burials have been found, and no HICRIS reports available indicating historic sites on the property. However, given the location near the shoreline and soil type, there may be a higher potential for subsurface sites.
4. Hale Hookipa (Kealakekua, Hawai'i). Low Potential for Sites  
The housing site is located well inland about 2.2 miles away from the shoreline and within a developed mixed-use residential development area, is primarily within lava flows (Kona complex) and a small area within Honuaulu hydrous silt loam, and no HICRIS reports available indicating historic sites on the property. The potential for historic sites should be low, unless new improvements are conducted within the undeveloped areas of the parcel.
5. Hale Olaloa (Hilo, Hawai'i). Low Potential for Sites  
The housing site is located less than 1.0 mile away from the shoreline and within a developed residential subdivision area along a drainageway, has Panaewa-Urban land complex soils, and no HICRIS reports available indicating historic sites on the property. The potential for historic sites should be low, unless new improvements are conducted within the undeveloped areas (about 30% of parcel).
6. Hale Aloha O Puna (Kea'au, Hawai'i). Low Potential for Sites  
The housing site is located over 4.0 miles away from the shoreline and within a developed mixed-use and residential area associated Kea'au town, has Panaewa very cobbly hydrous soils, and no HICRIS reports available indicating historic sites on the property. Given the site's location and conditions, the potential for subsurface sites should be low.

7. Kupuna Home O Waialua (Waialua, O'ahu). Higher Potential for Sites  
The housing site is located about 1.0 mile away from the shoreline and within a developed residential area with a history of large-scale agriculture, has Waialua silty clay (WkA) of which burials have been found in this region, and no HICRIS reports available indicating historic sites on the property. Given the site's location, soil conditions, there may be a higher potential for subsurface sites in this area.

**C. Assessment and Preliminary Effect Determination Being Considered**

The Undertaking, or project, consists of implementing repair and rehabilitation improvements to existing buildings and accessory structures along with site improvements (ex. repaving parking, utility line repairs, etc.) as previously identified. Such improvements would typically be minor in disturbance and nature in contrast to new development construction. Such activities are not considered by HUD to be a "major construction activity" and fall under HUD's categories of Categorically Excluded (CatEx) as previously identified.

Based upon the RLS study and assessment of existing site conditions, a finding of "no adverse effect" is being considered for four (4) of these housing properties, and a finding of "no effect on historic properties" for the remaining three (3) housing sites. In addition, minimization measures already approved with the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) for other housing projects would similarly apply to these projects as discussed.

1. Hale Ho'olulu (Kilauea, Kaua'i)	No Effect on Historic Properties
The housing site was found as not meeting the significance criteria under HAR or NRHP for historic architecture. The potential for historic archaeological subsurface sites being present or impacted by repair and rehabilitation improvements should also be low. Therefore, a "no effect on historic properties" determination is being considered for this housing site.	
2. Hale Hoonanea (Ele'ele, Kaua'i)	No Effect on Historic Properties
The housing site was found as not meeting the significance criteria under HAR or NRHP for historic architecture as buildings have undergone alterations for repairs following Hurricane Iniki. The potential for historic archaeological subsurface sites being present or impacted by repair and rehabilitation improvements should also be low given the urbanized area around the boat harbor. Therefore, a "no effect on historic properties" determination is being considered for this housing site.	
3. Hale Nana Kai O Kea (Kapa'a, Kaua'i)	No Adverse Effect
The housing site was found as not meeting the significance criteria under HAR or NRHP for historic architecture. Buildings have undergone alterations for repairs following Hurricane Iniki and none of these structures were deemed individually significant. The potential for historic archaeological subsurface sites being present or impacted by improvements is higher due to the property's location near the shoreline and presence of Lihue silty clay (LhB) of which burials have been found. Minimization measures addressing archaeology would be implemented for this site as discussed later. Therefore, a "no adverse effect" on historic properties determination is being considered for this housing site.	

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4.	Hale Hookipa (Kealakekua, Hawai'i)	No Adverse Effect
	The housing site was found to meet the significance criteria under HAR or NRHP for historic architecture. The residential and community structures retain their original integrity and fulfill Criterion C. The potential for historic archaeological subsurface sites being present or impacted by improvements should also be low given the distance from the shoreline, within lava flows soil type (Kona complex), and location within a developed mixed-use residential development area. Minimization measures addressing historic architecture would be implemented for this site as discussed later. Therefore, a "no adverse effect" on historic properties determination is being considered for this housing site.	
5.	Hale Olaloa (Hilo, Hawai'i)	No Adverse Effect
	The housing site was found to meet the significance criteria under HAR or NRHP for historic architecture. While all structures were deemed as not individually significant, this housing area collectively meets Criterion C and contributes to a potential historic district. The potential for historic archaeological subsurface sites being present or impacted by improvements should be low given the distance from the shoreline, Panaewa-Urban land complex soils type, and being within a developed residential subdivision area. Minimization measures addressing historic architecture would be implemented for this site as discussed later. Therefore, a "no adverse effect" on historic properties determination is being considered for this housing site.	
6.	Hale Aloha O Puna (Kea'au, Hawai'i)	No Effect on Historic Properties
	The housing site was found as not meeting the significance criteria under HAR or NRHP for historic architecture as buildings have undergone various alterations since its original construction. The potential for historic archaeological subsurface sites being present or impacted by improvements should also be low given its location well inland, Panaewa very cobbly hydrous soils, and being within a developed Kea'au town area. Therefore, a "no effect on historic properties" determination is being considered for this housing site.	
7.	Kupuna Home O Waialua (Waialua, O'ahu)	No Adverse Effect
	The housing site was found to meet the significance criteria under HAR or NRHP for historic architecture. These structures were not deemed as individually significant, but they retain their integrity in a majority of the significance categories. The potential for historic archaeological subsurface sites being present or impacted by improvements would be higher since the property has Waialua silty clay (WkA) of which burials have been found in this region. Minimization measures addressing both historic architecture and archaeology would be implemented for this site as discussed later. Therefore, a "no adverse effect" on historic properties determination is being considered for this housing site.	

#### **Proposed Minimization Measures**

A finding of "no adverse effect" on historic properties is being considered for four of the seven housing sites and minimization measures addressing historic architecture or archaeology is proposed that would further ensure no significant or adverse effects occur from repair and rehabilitation improvements. These measures were developed in consultation with the SHPD as part of prior reviews of other housing projects. Thus, implementation of these same measures for these applicable housing projects would ensure consistency in addressing historic sites that may be affected.

**Building Modifying Repair and Rehabilitation Improvements (Historic Architecture):**

This applies to the following three housing projects: 1) Hale Hookipa (Kealakekua, Hawai'i); 2) Hale Olaloa (Hilo, Hawai'i); and 3) Kupuna Home O Waialua (Waialua, O'ahu).

1. When considering rehabilitation improvements or building modifications: 1) the buildings' character defining features shall be retained; and 2) the renovations shall adhere to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.
2. HPHA will contract a person or persons with qualifications that meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications for Architectural History, Architecture, or Historic Architecture per 36 CFR, Part 61.
3. Provide SHPD with detailed information regarding the methods and materials for implementing the SOI's Standards for Rehabilitation at this housing site.
4. A qualified historic preservation professional will be contracted by HPHA to evaluate and document whether improvements proposed under a rehabilitation or building modification project meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Such documentation would be reviewed by the SHPD as part of Section 6E, HRS review as part of building permits being obtained from the respective County.
5. If rehabilitation improvements or building modifications cannot adhere to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, Section 106 consultation would be reopened for that project to address effects and necessary measures to minimize or mitigate effects.

**Ground Disturbing Repair and Rehabilitation Improvements (Archaeology):**

This applies to the following two housing projects: 1) Hale Nana Kai O Kea (Kapa'a, Kaua'i); and 2) Kupuna Home O Waialua (Waialua, O'ahu).

1. If ground disturbing activity is anticipated, HPHA must consult with the SHPD to determine effect to historic subsurface properties and to identify appropriate required archaeological documentation and/or mitigation.
2. Submit detailed plans, specifications and a detailed scope of work once the plans have been developed.
3. Submit information (maps, photos, addresses) regarding locations where mature trees (larger than 6 inches in diameter) associated with buildings or structures that are 50 years of age or older are to be removed to SHPD for review, comment, and meaningful consultation.
4. Submit a TMK map showing the full extent of the project area within the affected parcel(s).
5. Submit description and photographs of current vegetation cover and condition of the project area, including structures, roads, wall or other features within the project area.
6. Submit summary of land use history, such as previous intensive cultivation, grubbing or grading.
7. Submit copies or dates of previously approved permits, survey reports, and/or prior SHPD review letters that pertain to the property.
8. In the event subsurface human remains or other indications of human activity older than 50 years are encountered during construction activities, all work would stop immediately and the SHPD notified. The treatment of any human remains encountered would be determined and conducted in accordance with applicable requirements of Chapter 13-300, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (Rules of Practice and Procedure Relating to Burial Sites and Human Remains).













