



## DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

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## Hawaiian Homes Awards 86 Homestead Lots in Waiehu Kou

**WAILUKU, Maui, Hawai'i (October 28, 2006)** — The **Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL)** and **Dowling Company** held a lot selection meeting today and awarded 86 homestead lots as a part of the fourth Waiehu Kou subdivision on the island of Maui.

The Lot Selection Meeting was held at the Maui High School Gymnasium and was attended by some 250 pre-qualified applicants hoping for an opportunity to own one of the Waiehu Kou 4 subdivision's 86 turnkey affordable homes. An additional 12 self-help homes will be awarded in early 2007 under a separate lot selection process after applicants are qualified for the Habitat for Humanity program. The developer-built units are comprised of four different designs with expansion options that increase model choice to eight.

Dowling Company partnered with **HomeStreet Bank** as the project's lead lender to assist Waiehu Kou 4 families in applying for and attaining home loans.

"Mayor Arakawa and the County of Maui, along with Dowling Company have proven excellent partners in every step of the process," said **DHHL Chairman Micah Kane**. "We have worked together to bring affordable housing to Maui County and with the completion of this project and the Villages of Leiali'i, the 426 total homes by Dowling Company makes them the single largest private developer of homes for native Hawaiians in the state."

The average lot size is 8,000 square feet and homes will range in cost from \$155,000 to \$279,000. **Governor Linda Lingle**, who has made it a priority to get Hawaiians off the DHHL's waiting list and into homes, praised the Department and developer: "I understand the demand for affordable housing on Maui and that's why Waiehu Kou 4 and other Hawaiian Homes projects play such a critical role in meeting that need, while building strong, thriving communities throughout Hawai'i."

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Dowling Company President **Everett Dowling** said, “At every groundbreaking, lot selection and dedication of a Hawaiian Home Lands project – and this is one of four our company has been involved in – we talk about the pride we take and the sense of honor we feel in being a small part of the mission of Hawaiian Home Lands. It is gratifying to see Hawaiian families who have been living on the island all their lives be able to own their first home.”

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands is responsible for administering the Hawaiian home lands program as established by Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana‘ole. DHHL continues to strive for Prince Kūhiō’s vision of returning native Hawaiian people to the land and developing healthy, self-sufficient Hawaiian communities, through the many benefits and programs it offers.

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