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DLNR HOLDS PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING ON MA‘ALAEA SMALL BOAT HARBOR FERRY SYSTEM, SEWAGE PUMP-OUT AND ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

MA‘ALAEA, MAUI – The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) invites the public to attend an information meeting regarding its proposed ferry system facility upgrades, new sewage pump-out system and electrical improvements for the Ma‘alaea Small Boat Harbor.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 2008, from 5:30-7 p.m. at the harbormaster’s office (Old Sea Flight Building) on the south mole of the Ma‘alaea Small Boat Harbor.

“We encourage harbor users to attend the meeting,” said Laura H. Thielen, DLNR chairperson. “This long-awaited project will provide the necessary facilities to properly dispose of vessel sewage which will reduce the amount currently being disposed of in the ocean,” she said.

Currently there are no pump-out facilities at the harbor and vessels either dispose of their sewage at sea or have it pumped out by a private pump truck.

The Ma‘alaea improvement project proposes to construct two public pump-out facilities, individual pump-out risers on the south mole, utility improvements, a new ferry terminal/district office building, a stabilized/resurfaced south mole, upgrades to the ferry docking facilities, an overflow parking lot and a new comfort station.

Design work for the project should be completed by April 2008 and bids opened in June 2008.

Any person requiring special assistance (i.e. large print material, sign language interpreters etc.) is asked to contact Nick Giaconi or Stacy Masuda at (808) 243-5818.

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The public is invited to a meeting on planned improvements to the Ma‘alaea small boat harbor on Wednesday, January 9, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the harbormaster’s office. DLNR plans to construct two public pump-outs, a new ferry terminal and district office building, a new comfort station and overflow parking lot and other improvements. For information call 243-5818.

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