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**DLNR REOPENS NEWLY-REPAIRED WAI‘ANAЕ SMALL BOAT  
HARBOR FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC USE**

WAIANAЕ - The Department of Land and Natural Resources' Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation hosted a blessing ceremony today at the Wai‘anae Small Boat Harbor to reopen recently repaired facilities at the harbor for public use.

Improvements at the small boat harbor included the removal and replacement of four concrete loading docks at the boat launch ramp, 20 concrete finger piers, four aluminum finger piers, and the boat launch ramp concrete approach.

The loading dock and finger pier work incorporated new pre-cast concrete channels or installation of aluminum piers, new cleats, plastic lumber fenders, rubber fender bumpers, modification to existing pile caps and construction of additional new pile caps.

The improvements also included the modification of the Pier C approach ramp, one of the loading docks and two of the finger piers for ADA accessibility.

The cost of the improvements totaled \$1,282,490.

“The Wai‘anae Harbor improvements go hand in hand with the Lingle-Aiona administration’s ongoing commitment to improve small boat harbors and parks statewide,” said Laura H Thielen, DLNR chairperson.

The Administration is requesting an additional \$10 million in its fiscal year 2009 supplemental budget to continue repair and maintenance of small boat harbors statewide.

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DOBOR operates and manages 21 harbors, 50 ramps, 2,122 moorings and berths and 19 piers across the state. The division works in close partnership with DLNR's Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE) and the U.S. Coast Guard to make near-shore waters safe. The division is also responsible for registering all vessels in Hawai'i which are not documented by the U.S. Coast Guard and for regulating and permitting surf meets, canoe and yachting regattas, ocean swimming events and other ocean events with the concurrence of the U.S. Coast Guard.

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