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DLNR TO DEDICATE POHOIKI BOAT LAUNCH RAMP WITH BLESSING

PAHOA, HAWAI'I – The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) will dedicate its recently completed Pohoiki Boat Ramp facility on Saturday, June 20, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Alex Pacheco will conduct the blessing of the new ramp facility. Nancy Murphy, Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR) Hawai'i District manager and Eric Yuasa, DOBOR Engineering Branch head will represent DLNR.

“As part of the Lingle-Aiona Administration’s ongoing efforts to upgrade our small boat facilities statewide, we have replaced the old Pohoiki boat ramp and loading dock which had fallen into disrepair following decades of neglect,” said Laura H. Thielen, DLNR chairperson.

Construction on the new ramp facility, including additional fendering for the new concrete loading dock and other auxiliary work, was completed in May. The total project cost was \$965,000.

The Pohoiki boat ramp and loading dock replacement project was designed by DLNR’s consultant firm Wilson Okamoto Corporation. The project contractor was Kaikor Construction.

Construction of these improvements began in late December 2008. The ramp was closed entirely between February 4 and March 5, 2009 for demolition and removal of the old concrete boat ramp, loading dock and access to the loading dock and construction of the new concrete boat ramp, loading dock, accessible ramp/walkway and revetment.

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News release in brief: The Department of Land and Natural Resources will hold a blessing ceremony for the Pohoiki Boat launch ramp on Saturday, June 20 following final project

completion of a new ramp, loading dock, rock revetment and bumpers. For more information boaters may call (808) 329-4997.

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