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VOLUNTEERS' KOKUA GIVES SAND ISLAND STATE PARK A NEW LOOK

HONOLULU – A community volunteer effort taking place over the summer to beautify Sand Island State Recreation Area culminated in a group project on August 28 in which 230 volunteers turned out to help paint concrete pilings, a children's train structure, charcoal bins and other tasks in six areas of the popular coastal park.

To date, volunteers from Sand Island businesses have also repaired broken picnic tables and benches, pavilions and rock walls and much more.

“DLNR appreciates the involvement by Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland to organize community kokua to keep this popular park in top shape,” said Dan Quinn, State Parks administrator.

Volunteers from numerous community organizations have helped, including: members of Sand Island Business Association, Koga Engineers, Lions Club, Kawanakoa Middle School orchestra, Sons of Hawaii motorcycle club, Sand Island Wastewater Treatment plant, Air Force, IHS, Honolulu Police Dept. and Kalihi Youth Sports Club, and Palama Settlement.

Thanking the many volunteers, Chun-Oakland said “Thank you so much for your tremendous support, commitment, generosity and hard work. Your caring and kindness is deeply appreciated by the State of Hawaii and the thousands of people who enjoy this recreation area.”

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