

SCIENCE FAIR COORDINATORS: Please announce, disseminate to schools, and post.

Have You Ever Wondered About the Water Coming from Your Tap?

Where does my water come from?

What's in My Water?

Where Do These Contaminants Come From?

*How are Contaminants Removed From
My Water?*



**If You Have and Are Interested in Learning More About Drinking
Water/Groundwater Quality and Protection...**

In the 2006-2007 School Year Issue of the Hawaii Water for Kids - State Science Fair:

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This newsletter is also available on the Safe Drinking Water Branch website at:
www.hawaii.gov/health/environmental/water/sdwb

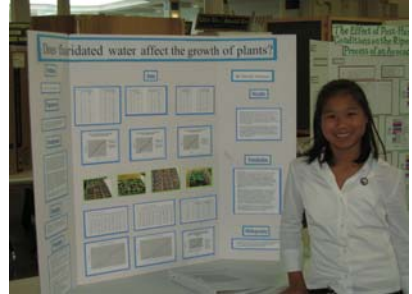
...Then Consider a Science Fair Project!!

49th STATE SCIENCE FAIR AWARDS FOR GROUNDWATER/DRINKING WATER

In our continuing effort to promote groundwater and drinking water in the Hawaii Education System, the Department of Health, Safe Drinking Water Branch participated in the 2006 Hawaii State Science Fair. One of the key elements to a successful groundwater and drinking water program is the education and awareness of the public. One of the best ways to educate the public is by educating students about our water resources. By funding activities such as providing awards to the State Science Fair, we hope to further student interest in science and the utilization and protection of our water resources.

Meimei Nakahara
Hawaii Preparatory Academy
“Does Fluoridated Water Affect the Growth of Plants”
Selected for: Outstanding Individual Junior Research Project in any subject category related to groundwater/drinking water.

Received Certificate of Achievement, \$100 Cash Award.



Natasha Leonard
Kealakehe Intermediate School
“Tap & Bottled Water: How Pure is Pure?”
Selected for: Outstanding Individual Junior Research Project in any subject category related to groundwater/drinking water.

Received Certificate of Achievement, \$100 Cash Award.



Kristin Inouye
Pearl City High School
“Water Purification”
Selected for: Outstanding Individual Senior Research Project in any subject category related to groundwater/drinking water.

Received Certificate of Achievement, \$200 Cash Award.



Kimberly Flores and Delsy Acio
Waipahu High School
“Is It Safe to Drink? Investigating the Cleanliness of School Water Fountains”
Selected for: Outstanding Team Project in any subject category related to groundwater/drinking water.

Received Certificate of Achievement, \$100 Cash Award.



Jester Galiza
James Campbell High
“Got Clean Water”
Selected for: Individual Project in any subject category related to water quality.

Received Certificate of Achievement, \$50 Cash Award.



The Safe Drinking Water Branch will continue to work with the Hawaii Academy of Science, School Science Fair.

SCIENCE FAIR CALENDAR 2005-2006

August - October

Science Fair **workshops** for teachers and district science fair personnel/ Workshops are strongly recommended for new teachers or first time participants. Call 956-7930 or e-mail acadsci@hawaii.edu to request a workshop.

The website has a list of **mentors** for science fair students. Please encourage your students to take advantage of this service. <http://www.hawaii.edu/acadsci/mentors/html>

October - December

Request **certificates** for school and district fair participants. Certificates will only be provided to schools that plan to enter the district and state fair.

January - February

School and District Science Fairs (Contact your District Fair Coordinator for Fair Dates)

District Fair Coordinators Contact Information:

East Hawaii	Jamie Nekoba	974-4888	(Fair Dates: TBA)
West Hawaii	Kathy Ishii	327-4781	(Fair Dates: TBA)
Kauai	Barbara Baker	274-3185	(Fair Dates: TBA)
Maui	Ron Okamura	984-8020	
H AIS	Dan Nelson	532-2431/440-7423	(Fair Dates: TBA)
Leeward	Stephen Nakano	677-6638	(Fair Dates: TBA)
	Fred Nakaguma	487-3098	
Windward	Amy Watanabe	271-3908 (cell)	(Fair Dates: TBA)
	Donna Therrien	233-5720	

- *School Science Fairs* must be completed before the District Science Fair entry deadline. Contact the coordinator to find out the entry deadline and district science fair dates.
- *Schools with no district science fair* must schedule their fairs so they meet the State Science Fair entry deadline.

February

Entry deadline for the **Hawaii State Science & Engineering Fair 2007** is in February 2007. Contact your coordinator for entry deadline.

April, 2007

Hawaii State Science and Engineering Fair (Fair Dates: TBA)

Monday

Registration/Exhibit Set-up 12noon - 6 pm

Tuesday

HAS Judging (Round 1 & 2) 8:15 am - 3:30 pm

Wednesday

School Visitation 8 am - 2 pm

Public Viewing 8 am - 7 pm

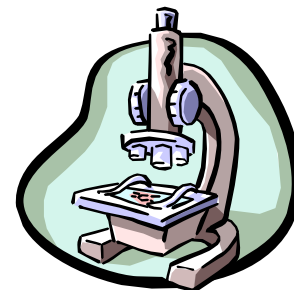
Awards Ceremony 4:30 pm

Exhibit Take Down (*mandatory*) After Awards Ceremony - until 8:30 pm

ISEF Delegation Meeting 7:45 pm - Science Fair Office

Water Quality

Water Taste and Quality (2004 and 2005 winner)
Analyses of Five Different Test on Our Drinking Water (2004 winner)
What Are You Drinking (2005 winner)
Tap & Bottled Water: "How Pure is Pure?" (2006 winner)
Investigating Hawaii's Drinking Water/Groundwater Quality
Private Well Water Quality
Chlorine Levels in Drinking Water
The Amount of Dissolved Salt in Drinking Water
Bacteriological Examination of Water?
Is It Safe to Drink? Investigating the Cleanliness of School Water Fountains (2006 winner)
Chemical Composition of School Water: Is The Drinking Water up to EPA Standards



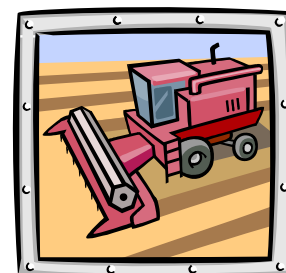
Pollution Treatment

Plants: A productive Alternative for Removing Contaminants from Soils.
Electrokinetic Remediation vs. Phytoextraction: Which process is more effective in the removal of metals contamination from soil?



Water Treatment

Binchotan - A Unique Charcoal (2004 winner)
Water Purification (2006 winner)
Nitrate Removal from Drinking Water
The Use of Biofiltration for the Decontamination of Water
Non-Chemical Water Disinfection
What is the Best Way to Purify Water? Water Purification
Producing Drinking Water from Final Effluent for Tomorrow's Needs



Water Conservation

Irrigation Scheduling: Efficiency in Water Use
Which Mulch is Best for Conserving Water While Growing Plants?
What is the Best Irrigation System?

Hydrology/Geology

Water Retention of Difference Soils: Do Different Types of Soil Hold Different Amounts of Water?
What Type of Soil Filters Water Best?
The Effects of Different Soil Substrates on Water Percolation and Drainage

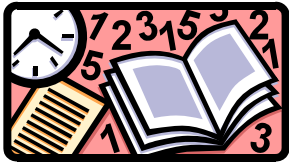
Others

Movement of Nitrates in the Soil Profile (2005 winner)
Does Fluorided Water Affect the Growth of Plants (2006 winner)
Creating a Computer Program to Teach Water Education
Is Recycled Water Really Safe?



This is just a fraction of the many drinking water/groundwater topics and ideas that may be explored. Other topics, issues, and project exist and can be found in the many sources of information that are available to you.

**SOME SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS INVOLVING
GROUNDWATER and DRINKING WATER**



The following sources of information may provide you with ideas for developing your drinking water/groundwater-related science fair projects.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency website: www.epa.gov/kids, www.epa.gov/students, and www.epa.gov/highschool/water.htm

U.S. Geological Survey website: www.usgs.gov/education

Hawaii Academy of Science website: www.hawaii.edu/acadsci/hssef/hssef.html
www.hawaii.edu/acadsci/hssef/resource.htm

OTHER WEB SITES WITH WATER SCIENCE EDUCATION INFORMATION

American Water Works Association: www.waterdata.com/youthed.htm

Educating Young People About Water: www.uwex.edu/erc/ey paw

Give Water a Hand: www.uwex.edu/erc/gwah

Project Wet: www.montana.edu/wwwwet

Water Education Foundation: www.water-ed.org

Watercourse: www.montana.edu/wwwwater

WET in the City: www.wetcity.org

GOOD LUCK and WE'LL SEE YOU AT THE 2007 (50th) HAWAII STATE SCIENCE FAIR!

**2007 STATE SCIENCE FAIR AWARDS FOR GROUNDWATER/DRINKING WATER
TO BE AWARDED BY THE SAFE DRINKING WATER BRANCH**

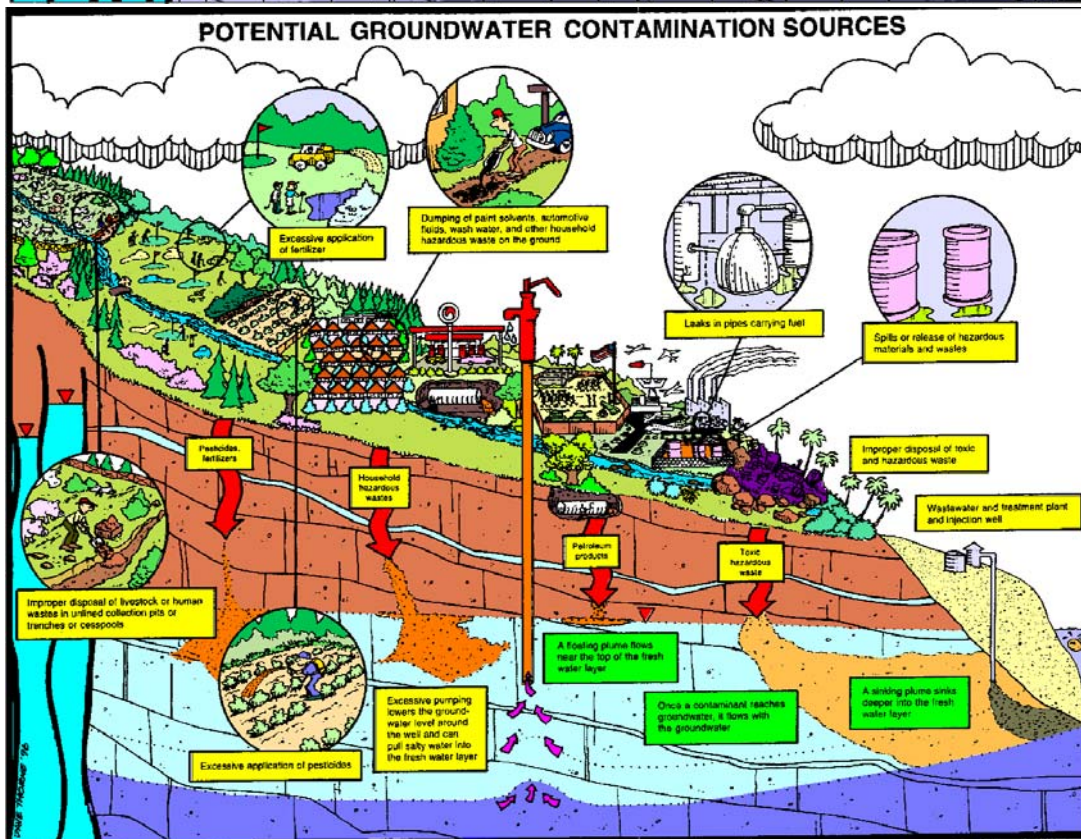
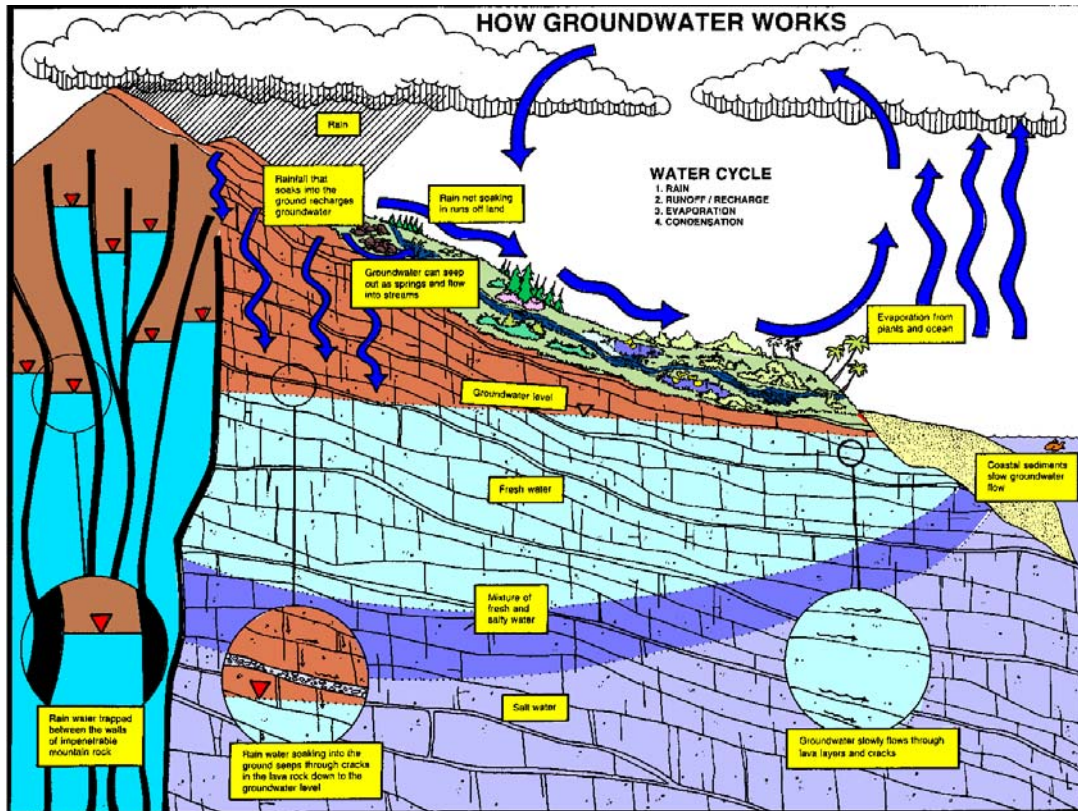
For the 2007 (50th) Hawaii State Science Fair, the Safe Drinking Water Branch will present awards for Groundwater/Drinking Water projects in the following categories:

No.	Division	Description of Award & Special Conditions	Categories
1	SR	Certificate, \$200 Cash Award.	1-14
2	SR	Certificate, \$100 Cash Award. <i>First and second place awards for outstanding individual projects in any subject category related to drinking water/groundwater and/or groundwater protection.</i>	
3	JR	Certificate, \$100 Cash Award.	1-14
4	JR	Certificate, \$50 Cash Award. <i>First and second place awards for outstanding individual projects in any subject category related to drinking water/groundwater and/or groundwater protection.</i>	
5	JD	Certificate, \$50 Cash Award <i>Outstanding individual project in any subject category related to drinking water/groundwater and/or groundwater protection.</i>	1-14
6	OD	Certificate, \$100 Cash Award <i>Outstanding team project in any subject category related to drinking water/groundwater and/or groundwater protection.</i>	00
7	TA	Certificate, \$200 Savings Bond or Cash Award. <i>Outstanding teacher who promotes learning of environmental science (especially as it relates to drinking water/groundwater and/or groundwater protection.) Teachers considered for this award should be nominated by the school or students. Final award will be based on nomination information.</i>	



The Safe Drinking Water Branch reserves the right to not provide awards in Divisions/Categories in which there are no qualifying projects. We further reserve the right to provide multiple awards in Divisions/ Categories where there are multiple outstanding projects.

TEACHERS: Would you like copies of this poster for your classroom.



To obtain copies, contact: Safe Drinking Water Branch, Department of Health
 919 Ala Moana Blvd., #308
 Honolulu, HI 96814
 Attention: Science Fair Project
 or call (808) 586-4258.

The Safe Drinking Water Branch is committed to and will continue to work with the Hawaii Academy of Science, District Science Fair Coordinators, and teachers to increase interest in the Environmental Sciences as it relates to drinking water/groundwater quality and protection, as part of the Science Fair Program.

Please send your suggestions/ideas, questions or comments to:

STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2007
Safe Drinking Water Branch
State Department of Health
919 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 308
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Fax us at (808) 586-4351,
Attn: "STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2007- Safe Water"

SDWB WEB SITE:
www.hawaii.gov/health/environmental/water/sdwb.html



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State Science Fair (2006-2007 School Year)
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