

ALA WAI WATERSHED PROJECT

Environmental Impact Statement Scoping Meeting

Project Background

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is being prepared for the Ala Wai Watershed Project, a multiple purpose project developed in partnership between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the State Department of Land and Natural Resources, and the City and County of Honolulu Department of Environmental Services.

The preliminary assessment of this action indicates that the project may cause significant local, regional, and national impacts on the environment. A Federal Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS was published in the Federal Register on October 2, 2008. It may be found on the Federal Register website, or at:

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/E8-23221.htm>

Project Purpose

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EIS Scoping Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 21, 2008

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Place: Washington Middle School cafeteria

1633 South King Street

Honolulu, Hawai'i 96826

Topics to discuss at the meeting:

- ✓ **Project Background**
Purpose, sponsors, schedule, process
- ✓ **Preliminary Concepts**
What are the possible actions that might be taken?
- ✓ **Possible Project Impacts**
How might this project impact the community and environment?

We would also like to gather information on:

- ✓ **Possible Actions**
What other actions should be considered in this project?
- ✓ **Other Project Impacts**
What other impacts should be studied?
- ✓ **Questions and Answers**
*What questions do you have?
What do you think about what we have shared with you?*



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Project Background

The Ala Wai Watershed Project is a multiple purpose project being investigated under Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1962 (PL 87-874). The project is currently in the "Feasibility Phase."

Project Partners

The project is being developed in partnership between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District, with the State Department of Land and Natural Resources and the City Department of Environmental Services as non-federal sponsors.



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Project Goals

The goals of the project are to:

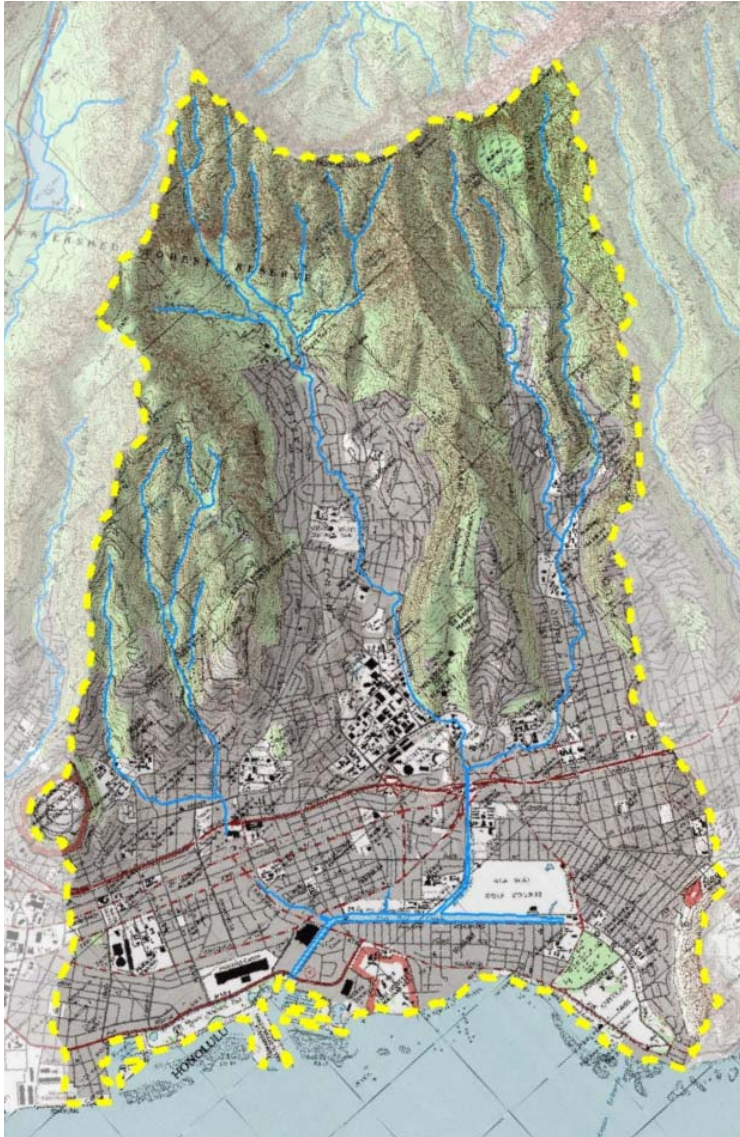
- protect the entire Ala Wai Watershed from the 100-year flood event,
- improve the migratory pathway for native amphidromous species,
- reduce sediment buildup in streams and the Ala Wai Canal, and
- enhance the physical quality of the existing aquatic habitat for native species.

The project may also address secondary issues, such as increasing or improving:

- recreational opportunities,
- water quality,
- water supply, and
- coastal issues.



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Ala Wai Watershed Project area

Planning Process to Date

Preliminary studies that were earlier elements of this project include:

- Ala Wai Flood Study (2001)
- Ala Wai Watershed Analysis (2003)
- Archaeological assessment (2004)
- Riparian survey (2004)
- Preliminary ecosystem restoration concepts (2004)
- Hydrologic analysis (2008)
- Hydraulic analysis (2008)

Upcoming Milestones

EIS Scoping Meeting Sep 2008
Draft Feasibility EIS... Winter 2010
Final Feasibility EIS... Winter 2011
Design Phase 2011-2016
Construction Begins
(pending legislative approval)
..... 2013

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