PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hawai‘i Department of Health (HDOH) invites the public to review and comment on the Draft Removal Action Report (Draft RAR) for the cleanup of soil arsenic at 2 Adjacent Parcels Northwest of the Intersection of Kekuanaoa and Mililani Streets in Hilo, Hawaii (TMK (3) 2-2-30: 17&19). You are also invited to attend a public meeting to learn more about the cleanup options proposed and recommended for the site. Comments on the Draft RAR will be accepted at the public meeting as well as during the overall public comment period, November 29, 2017 through January 05, 2018.

The property is an undeveloped approximately 6.2 acre parcel where a portion of a former Canec production facility that manufactured wall and ceiling board panels from sugar cane bagasse was located. Site investigations by HDOH and several environmental consultant firms have confirmed soil arsenic contamination on parts of the property that will require cleanup action to address potential exposure hazards. At least four cleanup alternatives were compared and considered, and the response action being proposed is that Heavily impacted soils (Category D bioaccessible arsenic soils) will to be excavated, trucked, and buried at the West Hawai‘i sanitary landfill. Future management of Moderately impacted soils (Category C bioaccessible arsenic soils) that remain on-site under vegetative cover and institutional controls will be the subject of additional containment actions under later regulatory engagement with Hawaii DOH.

A Draft Removal Action Report (Draft RAR) describes in detail the response options considered and proposed to address the soil contamination. Copies of the Draft RAR and a site fact sheet are available for review at the Hilo Public Library (during library hours, ask at the Reference desk), or at the Hawai‘i Department of Health, Environmental Health Building, 1582 Kamehameha Avenue in Hilo (8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, weekdays) during the public comment period. You can also access the site documents on the HDOH HEER Office website: http://hawaii.gov/doh/heer in the "What's New" section of the homepage. If you have questions or would like a copy of site documents mailed or e-mailed to you, please call or e-mail John Peard at the HDOH Hilo HEER Office, (808)933-9921, or randall.peard@doh.hawaii.gov.

A Public Meeting on the Draft RAR for the former Canec Production Facility Site will be held on Thursday, December 14th, 2017 at the DOH Environmental Health Building, 1582 Kamehameha Ave. in Hilo, from 6:00 PM-7:30 PM to answer questions or take comments on the proposed soil cleanup plan. Written comments
regarding the proposed soil cleanup at the site will be accepted from **November 29th, 2017 through January 5, 2018**, and can be mailed or e-mailed to John Peard, Hawaii Dept. of Health, HEER Office, at the location/e-mail address noted above. (HTH1051172 11/29/17)