Public Notice for: Hawaii Public Housing Authority – Lanakila Public Housing Phase IIIb Redevelopment Plan, Hilo, Hawai‘i

The Hawaii Department of Health (HDOH), Hazard Evaluation & Emergency Response Office (HEER Office) invites the public to review and comment on the Draft Removal Action Report (Draft RAR) for the cleanup of soil arsenic, lead, and chlordane (a termiticide) at the Hawaii Public Housing Authority’s (HPHA) Lanakila Public Housing Project Phase IIIb (portion of TMK 03-2-40-28:007) in Hilo. You are also invited to attend a public meeting to learn more about the cleanup options proposed and recommended for the site, and are welcomed to make comment on the options.

A Draft Removal Action Report (Draft RAR) describes in detail the response options considered and proposed to address the soil contamination which was found to be within five feet of the cement foundation pads of seven former homes on the site. Copies of a brief site Fact Sheet and the Draft RAR are available for review at the Hilo Public Library (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 month-long public comment period. These documents can also be accessed from 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 the Fact Sheet or the Draft RAR mailed or e-mailed to you, please call John Peard at the HDOH Hilo HEER Office (808) 933-9921, or email him at randall.peard@doh.hawaii.gov.

A Public Meeting on the Draft RAR for the HPHA Lanakila Phase IIIb site will be held:
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2016
Meeting Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm
Location: Lanakila Community Center, 600 Wailoa Street, Hilo, Hawaii 96720

The purpose of the public meeting is to inform all interested parties about the cleanup response actions considered and proposed for the site, answer questions, and invite the public to provide comments at the meeting or during the public comment period. Comments regarding the proposed soil cleanup at the site will be accepted from May 17, 2016 through June 16, 2016. Comments can be mailed or emailed to:

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