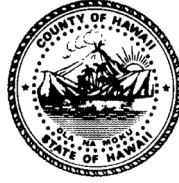


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MEETING AGENDA

Pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes Chapter 92, this meeting will be online with a location available to the public. The public may attend either in person, online, or by telephone.

DATE: Wednesday, October 22, 2025

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

IN PERSON: Puna Conference Room, Hawai'i County Building
25 Aupuni Street, Hilo

ONLINE: Via Zoom <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612028078>
(Meeting ID: 161 202 8078)

PHONE: +1 669 254 5252 (Enter the meeting ID, see above)

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: To ensure timely delivery to commissioners, please submit written testimony before 12:00 noon on the business day prior to the meeting by (1) email to cohdem@hawaiicounty.gov or (2) facsimiles to (808) 961-8086. When submitting written testimony, please specify for which agenda item it is being submitted. All written testimony will be part of the public record. Pursuant to HRS §92-3, interested persons who want to provide oral testimony may do so either at the time the Commission takes public statements on items on the agenda, or at the time the specific agenda item is called, subject to applicable statutes and rules of procedure.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR August 27, 2025 ¹

III. PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

The public may provide testimony at this time or at the time the agenda item is called. Public testimony must be related to an item on the agenda and pursuant to Commission Rule 1-5(i)(2), the Chairperson may limit the length of any person's testimony as long as each speaker is accorded a minimum of three minutes.

¹ II – Draft Minutes - <https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/WebLink/1/doc/151080/Page1.aspx>

IV. UPDATES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (DEM)

1. Solid Waste Division Updates:
 - a. Update regarding the processing of mulch in west Hawai'i: volume, distribution, and current uses.
 - b. Update regarding the operational analysis of the Solid Waste Division²
2. Wastewater Division Updates:
 - a. Integrated Wastewater Management Plan Updates³
 - i. DEM will discuss past and public education and outreach related to the Integrated Wastewater Management Plan
 - ii. DEM will discuss the Environmental Protection Agency's administrative order on consent that requires DEM to create a financial plan to comply with the order and finance ongoing maintenance and operations of existing facilities.
3. DEM will provide a short presentation regarding the Operations and Maintenance Budget process, timeline, and optimal time for the Commission to provide comments and recommendations.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Pursuant to Hawaii County Code, Section 2-207(c), the Commission will discuss County Council Bill 83, which relates to plastic and polystyrene waste, and determine what comments and recommendations to provide to the County Council, if any.⁴
2. The Commission will discuss and determine what comments and recommendations to provide to DEM, if any, regarding County Council Bill 72: Relating to the Director of Environmental Management.⁵
3. The Commission will discuss paving DEM's metal recycling areas and determine what comments and recommendations to provide to DEM, if any.
4. Discussion regarding the optimal time for the Commission to provide comments and recommendations regarding DEM's Capital Improvement Budget.

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Commissioners and members of the public may email items for consideration on the next agenda to Chair Perez by Friday, October 31, 2025.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The EMC has Commissioner vacancies for Districts 2, 5, and 8.⁶

² IV.1.b: 2020 Ops Analysis supporting doc -

<https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/weblink/1/doc/151233/Page1.aspx>

³ IV.2: IWWMP - <https://www.dem.hawaiicounty.gov/projects/integrated-wastewater-management-plan>

⁴ V.1: Bill 83 (Draft 2) - <https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/WebLink/0/doc/1118593/Page1.aspx>

⁵ V.2: Bill 72 - <https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/weblink/DocView.aspx?dbid=0&id=1110355&cr=1>

⁶ VII.1: Boards and Commissions - <https://www.hawaiicounty.gov/our-county/boards-and-commissions>

2. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 26, 2025, at Community Meeting Hale (Building G). Please contact the Board Secretary or review the agenda posted on the County Calendar within six days of the next meeting for confirmation.⁷ See current schedule for EMC meetings for 2025.⁸

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Note: A meeting held by interactive conference technology shall be automatically recessed for up to 30 minutes to restore communication when audiovisual communication cannot be maintained with all members participating in the meeting or with the “in person” location identified in this agenda. The meeting may reconvene when either audiovisual communication is restored, or audio-only communication is established after an unsuccessful attempt to restore audiovisual communication. If it is not possible to reconvene the meeting as provided in this subsection within 30 minutes after an interruption to communication, the meeting will be in recess and will attempt to reconvene at 1:00 p.m. on the same day, using the same meeting ID listed on Page 1 of this agenda. If at that time a quorum of remote members and the in-person members are unable to establish and maintain at least an audio-only connection by 1:15 p.m., then the meeting shall be automatically terminated. The regular meeting place is accessible to persons with disabilities. To request an auxiliary aid or language translation, please call (808) 961-8083 five days prior to the meeting date. Comments may be sent to the Department of Environmental Management, 345 Kekūānāo‘a Street, Suite 41, Hilo, Hawai‘i 96720, or emailed to cohdem@hawaiicounty.gov.

Notice to lobbyists: If you are a lobbyist, you must register with the Hawai‘i County Clerk within five days of becoming a lobbyist. [Chapter 2, Article 15, Section 2-91.3(b), Hawai‘i County Code.] A lobbyist means “any individual engaged for pay or other consideration who spends more than five hours in any month or \$275 in any six-month period for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action by communicating or urging others to communicate with public officials.” [Chapter 2, Article 15, Section 2-91.3(a)(6), Hawai‘i County Code.] Registration forms and expenditure report documents are available at the Office of the County Clerk-Council, 25 Aupuni Street, Hilo, Hawai‘i 96720.

⁷ VII.2: Hawai‘i County Calendar - <https://www.hawaiicounty.gov/our-county/county-calendar>

⁸ VII.2: 2025 schedule - <https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/weblink/1/doc/140699/Page1.aspx>