



**U.S. Army Corps
Of Engineers**
Honolulu District

Public Notice

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Reply to:

U.S. Army Engineer District, Honolulu

Regulatory Branch, CEPOH-EC-R

Building 230

Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440

Respond by: N/A

Honolulu District Public Notice Change to Electronic Distribution

Purpose: On September 21, 2009 the Honolulu District will transition to an electronic notification process (Paperwork Reduction Act 44 U.S.C. 3501) and will no longer mail full paper copies of Public Notices (PNs) to those individuals on our PN distribution list. We will continue our practice of mailing paper copies of the PNs only to the permit applicants, the adjacent property owners, and the post offices and public libraries in the vicinity of the proposed work.

Background: On April 20, 2009, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District (POH) proposed to take two actions concerning POH PNs for proposed projects that require a Department of Army (DA) Standard Permit. First, POH proposed to update the current PN mailing list. Second, POH proposed to send electronic notifications in lieu of mailing paper copies of current PNs. These proposed actions would improve the efficiency of our PN distribution procedures, improve availability of PNs, and reduce costs to the taxpayer.

The April 20, 2009 notice stated that POH will continue our practice of mailing paper copies of PNs to the permit applicants, the adjacent property owners, and the post offices in the vicinity of the proposed work. Several comments were received requesting public libraries also continue to receive mailed paper copies of PNs. We have determined the request to continue mailing PN paper copies to public libraries is warranted. Therefore, POH will continue our practice of mailing paper copies of PNs to the permit applicants, the adjacent property owners, and the post offices and public libraries in the vicinity of the proposed work. All other individuals on our PN distribution list will receive electronic notifications in lieu of paper copies of current PNs.

Distribution and Viewing Procedures: We currently publish copies of PNs on the *Public Notice* section of Honolulu District's Internet web-page, which is found at <http://www.poh.usace.army.mil/PA/pa-NRPNarchive.htm>. When a new PN is posted to the web-page an e-mail message will be sent to the appropriate distribution list(s) providing a brief summary of the PN, along with the web-page address where the notice may be viewed or downloaded in full. To be added to or removed from a PN mailing list or if you change your e-mail address please follow the instructions provided at <http://www.poh.usace.army.mil/index.asp>. E-mails returned due to a change of address will be deleted from our electronic mailing system.

Questions regarding this Public Notice should be directed to Ms. Meris Bantilan-Smith, at the above address, or (808) 438-7701, or e-mail to: Meris.Bantilan-Smith@usace.army.mil .

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George P. Young". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "George" being the most prominent.

George P. Young
Chief, Regulatory Branch