

# Hawai'i Construction Alliance

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VIA EMAIL

Daniel Orodener  
Executive Director, Land Use Commission,  
Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism  
P.O. Box 2359  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96804

**RE: EISPN for Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery Expansion**

Dear Mr. Orodener,

The Hawai'i Construction Alliance is comprised of the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters; the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Union, Local 630; International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local 1; the Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368; and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3. Together, the member unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance represent 15,000 working men and women in the basic crafts of Hawai'i's construction industry.

We thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments in support of the proposed expansion of the Hawaiian Memorial Park in Kāne'ōhe. We are sure that other commenters will discuss how the expansion will provide local families much-needed options for their loved ones through additional burial, internment, and inurnment spaces. We are also sure that other commenters will address how the planned expansion will include a well-managed cultural preserve and keep much of the property in open space. Therefore, we will limit our comments to the positive impacts the proposed expansion plan will have for the local construction industry.

We are pleased that the EISPN contains some mention of how the proposed plan will benefit the local construction industry, specifically that "the project would generate some short-term construction related jobs as site preparation and infrastructure improvements are implemented and phased over time" (Page 4-3).

We also appreciate the commitment in the EISPN that "the Draft EIS would address the probable effects in greater detail" (Page 4-3). We hope that this more detailed analysis would include an estimate of how many construction jobs would likely be generated — both direct and indirect — and also the wages associated with those jobs.

In closing, we look forward to reviewing the Draft and Final EIS documents for this project, and thank you once again for the opportunity to provide comments on this much-needed project.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director  
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cc: Mr. Jay Morford, Hawaiian Life Memorial Plan, Ltd.  
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