BEFORE THE LAND USE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

In the Matter of the Petition of

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU,
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

To Amend The Agricultural Land Use District Into The Urban Land Use District For Approximately 27.797 Acres Of Land At ʻEwa, Island of Oʻahu,
State of Hawaiʻi, Tax Map Keys:
(1) 9-1-069: por. 003 and (1) 9-1-069: por. 004

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Appendix C
Archaeological Assessment and Cultural Impact Assessment for the Honouliuli WWTP Secondary Treatment and Facilities Project, Cultural Surveys Hawai'i, Inc. (CSH), December 2015 and April 2011
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Dear Mr. Shideler,

SUBJECT: Chapter 6E-8 Historic Preservation Review — Archaeological Assessment for the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Secondary Treatment and Facilities Project Honouliuli Ahupua’a, ‘Ewa District, O‘ahu
TMK: (1) 9-1-013:007

Thank you for the opportunity to review the revised draft report titled Archaeological Assessment for the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Secondary Treatment and Facilities Project, Honouliuli Ahupua’a, ‘Ewa District, O‘ahu, TMK: [1] 9-1-013:007 (Yucha et al., December 2015). SHPD received the original draft on November 24, 2014, and requested several revisions in a letter dated October 22, 2015 (Log No. 2014.05307, Doc. No. 1509AEM02). We received this revised draft on November 6, 2015; we apologize for the delayed review and thank you for your patience.

This archaeological inventory survey (AIS) was prepared at the request of AECOM Pacific, Inc. The project area totals 101 acres and is bounded by Geiger Road on the south, Roosevelt Avenue on the south west, Kalo‘i Gulch on the east, and the Oahu Railway and Land (OR&L) Right-of-Way on the north. The subject Parcel 007 consists of two recently consolidated parcels (TMK: [1] 9-1-013:007 and [1] 9-1-069:003). The land owner, the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Environmental Services, proposes to update and expand the existing Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) in order to provide secondary treatment and to accommodate projected increased wastewater flows. Selected facilities for improvement include the Central Laboratory, Ocean Team Facilities, Administration Building, Operations Building, Leeward Regional Maintenance, Central Shops, Warehouse, Truck Wash, Processes Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition, Seepage Receiving Station, Odor Control, Grounds Keeping, Janitorial Service and Security, and Honouliuli Water Recycling Facility.

O‘Hare et al. (2007) completed an archaeological assessment (AA) for the 48.18 acre northern and eastern portions of the project area (formerly TMK: [1] 9-1-069:003) in support of the ‘Ewa Industrial Park Project. The AA report was reviewed and accepted by the SHPD on February 10, 2009 (Log No. 2009.0664, Doc. No. 0902WT22). The remaining 52.82 acres of the project area, which includes the built-up area of the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant, are addressed within the current AIS (Yucha et al. December 2015).

The archaeological inventory survey involved a 100% pedestrian survey and no subsurface testing. Fieldwork was completed on October 24, 2014. No historic properties were identified during the survey. Per Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) §13-284-7, the determination of effect is “no historic properties affected” and the report recommends no further archaeological work. Based on the results of the AIS, SHPD concurs with the effect determination and recommendation of no further work. Pursuant to HAR §13-284-5(b)(5)(A), the negative findings of the archaeological inventory survey are reported as an archaeological assessment.
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The revised report adequately addresses the issues and concerns raised in our earlier correspondence (October 22, 2015; Log No. 2014.05307, Doc. No. 1509AEM02). The report provides sufficient discussion of the project, physical environment, cultural and historical background, previous archaeological studies, methods and field findings, and meets the requirements specified in HAR §13-276-5. It is accepted. Please send one hardcopy of the document, clearly marked FINAL, along with a copy of this review letter and a text-searchable PDF version on CD to the Kapolei SHPD office, attention SHPD Library.

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Management Summary

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## Project Acreage

The project area includes approximately 101.0 acres (40.9 ha). The 48.18 acre (19.50 hectare) northern and eastern relatively undeveloped portions of the project area (the former TMK 1 [1] 9-1-069:003) was previously addressed in an *Archaeological Assessment of the ‘Ewa Industrial Park Project, Honouliuli Ahupua’a, ‘Ewa District, O’ahu Island*, (O’Hare et al. 2007) that was reviewed and accepted in an SHPD § 6E-42 Historic Preservation Review dated 10 February 2009 (LOG NO.: 2009.0664, DOC NO.: 0902WT22; included here as Appendix A) and the main, built-up area of the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant of approximately 52.82 acres (21.38 hectares) is newly addressed.

## Historic Preservation Regulatory Context

The northern and eastern relatively undeveloped portions of the project area amounting to an area of 48.18 acres was the subject of an *Archaeological Assessment of the ‘Ewa Industrial Park Project, Honouliuli Ahupua’a, ‘Ewa District, O’ahu Island*, (O’Hare et al. 2007) that was reviewed and accepted in an SHPD § 6E-42 Historic Preservation Review dated 10 February 2009 (LOG NO.: 2009.0664, DOC NO.: 0902WT22; included here as Appendix A). The present study included a reconnaissance of the O’Hare et al. (2007) project area but only for the purpose of documenting present conditions. No historic properties were identified.

The remaining southwestern portion of the project area including the heavily built-out wastewater treatment plant was subject to 100% pedestrian survey coverage during the current study. No historic properties were identified.

This document was prepared to support the proposed project’s historic preservation review under Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS) §6E-42 and HAR §13-13-284. In consultation with SHPD, the archaeological inventory survey investigation was designed to fulfill the State requirements for an archaeological inventory survey per HAR §13-13-276. Because no historic properties were identified within the project area, this investigation is termed an archaeological assessment.

This study was revised to address requested revisions to a November 2014 draft supplied in a Chapter 6E-8 Historic Preservation Review dated October 22, 2015 (LOG. NO. 2014.05307, DOC. NO. 1509AEM02)

## Fieldwork Effort

Fieldwork was accomplished on 24 October 2014 by Trevor Yucha, B.S. and David W. Shideler, M.A. under the general supervision of Principal Investigator, Hallett H. Hammatt Ph.D. This work required approximately 1 person-day to complete.

## Number of Historic Properties Identified

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Section 1  Introduction

1.1 Project Background

At the request of AECOM Pacific, Inc., Cultural Surveys Hawai‘i, Inc. (CSH) completed an archaeological inventory survey, which due to the lack of historic properties is reported as an archaeological assessment for the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Secondary Treatment and Facility, Honouliuli Ahupua‘a, ‘Ewa District, O‘ahu TMK: [1] 9-1-013:007.

The project area is located immediately south of the ‘Ewa Villages in central Honouliuli Ahupua‘a in southwest O‘ahu and is bounded by Geiger Road on the south, Roosevelt Avenue on the south and west, Kalo‘i Gulch on the east, and the Oahu Railway and Land (OR&L) Right-of-Way on the north. The project area encompasses two adjacent recently consolidated parcels (TMKs: [1] 9-1-013:007 and the former TMK [1] 9-1-069:003) that have now been combined to comprise TMK: [1] 9-1-013:007. The project area includes the current heavily built-out waste water treatment plant and relatively undeveloped areas to the north and east of the facility. The project area is depicted on the 1998 Ewa and 1999 Pearl Harbor U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-minute topographic quadrangles (Figure 1), tax map plats (Figure 2 and Figure 3), and a 2013 aerial photograph (Figure 4).

Of this 101.0 acre (40.9 ha) project area, the 48.18 acre (19.50 hectare) northern and eastern relatively undeveloped portions of the project area (the former TMK [1] 9-1-069:003) was previously addressed an Archaeological Assessment of the ‘Ewa Industrial Park Project, Honouliuli Ahupua‘a, ‘Ewa District, O‘ahu Island, (O‘Hare et al. 2007) that was reviewed and accepted in an SHPD § 6E-42 Historic Preservation Review dated 10 February 2009 (LOG NO.: 2009.0664, DOC NO.: 0902WT22; included here as Appendix A) and the main, built-up area of the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant of approximately 52.82 acres (21.38 hectares) is newly addressed.

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The remaining southwestern portion of the project area including the heavily built-out wastewater treatment plant was subject to 100% pedestrian survey coverage during the current study. No historic properties were identified.

This document was prepared to support the proposed project’s historic preservation review under Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS) §6E-42 and Hawai‘i Administrative Rules (HAR) §13-13-284. In consultation with SHPD, the archaeological inventory survey investigation was designed to fulfill the State requirements for an archaeological inventory survey per HAR §13-13-276. Because no historic properties were identified within the project area, this investigation is termed an archaeological assessment.

1.3 Environmental Setting

1.3.1 Natural Environment

Honouliuli Ahupua‘a is the largest traditional land unit on O‘ahu, extending from the West Loch of Pearl Harbor in the east, to the border of Nānākuli Ahupua‘a at Pili o Kahe in the west. Honouliuli Ahupua‘a includes approximately 19 km, or 12 miles, of open coastline from One‘ula westward to Pili o Kahe. The ahupua‘a (land division) extends mauka (inland) from West Loch nearly to Schofield Barracks in Wahiawā. The western boundary is the Wai‘anae Mountain crest running north as far as Pu‘u Hāpapa (or to the top of Ka‘ala Mountain, according to some).

Not only is there a long coastline fronting the normally calm waters of leeward O‘ahu, but there are also 4 miles of waterfront along West Loch.

The project area is located on the ‘Ewa Plain, which is a Pleistocene (>38,000 years old) reef platform overlain by alluvium from the southern end of the Wai‘anae Mountain Range. The land immediately mauka of the Pacific coast consists of a flat karstic raised limestone reef forming a level nearly featureless “desert” plain marked in pre-Contact times (previous to alluviation caused by sugar cultivation) by a thin or non-existent soil mantle. The microtopography is notable for containing countless sinkholes in some areas caused by chemical weathering (dissolution) of the limestone shelf.

Along the eastern flank of the Wai‘anae Mountains, numerous gulches have contributed to the alluvial deposits over the coastal limestone shelf. The largest of the gulches is Honouliuli Gulch, which drains into West Loch. The gulches are generally steep-sided in the uplands and generally of a high gradient until they emerge onto the flat ‘Ewa plain. The alluvium they have carried has spread out in delta fashion over the mauka portions of the plain, which comprises a dramatic depositional environment at the stream gradient change. These gulches are generally dry, but during seasonal Kona storms carry immense quantities of runoff onto the plain and into the ocean. As typical drainages in arid slopes, they are either raging uncontrollably, or are dry and, as such, do not form stable water sources for traditional agriculture in their upper reaches. The Honouliuli gulches generally do not have valleys suitable for extensive irrigated agriculture; however, this lack is more than compensated for by the rich watered lowlands near West Loch.

Lying in the lee of the Wai‘anae mountain range, the project area is one of the driest areas of O‘ahu with most of the area averaging about 18 inches of rainfall annually (Juvik and Juvik
1998:56). Temperatures range between 60° to 90°F through the year; the highest temperatures are in August and September (Armstrong 1973). Elevation in the project area ranges from 30-50 ft, or 10 to 15 m AMSL (above mean sea level).

The distance from the coast (and generally from fresh water) made these little used areas in the pre-Contact period. The intensive land disturbance of a century of commercial cane cultivation probably removed most of what little evidence of pre-Contact use there ever was. The archaeological sensitivity of these areas is generally regarded as low.

In pre-Contact Hawai‘i, the project area would have been mostly lowland dry shrub and grassland, dominated by species such as wiliwili (Erythrina sandwicensis), lana (Diospyros ferrea), sandalwood (Santalum sp.), ‘a‘ali‘i (Dodonea eriocarpa), scrub ‘ōhi‘a (Metrosideros collina) and pili grass (Heteropogon contortus) (Cuddihy and Stone 1990:12-15). In contrast, the non-cleared portions of the project area are currently dominated by introduced species such as kiawe and the prickly Lions Ear (Leonotis nepetaefolia).

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Soil Survey Geographic (SSURGO) database (2001) and soil survey data gathered by Foote et al. (1972), soils within the project area primarily consist of Mamala stony silty clay loam, 0 to 12% slopes (MnC) with Ewa silty clay loam, moderately shallow, 0 to 2% slopes (EmA), Honouliuli clay, 0 to 2% slopes (HxA), and Waialua silty clay, 0 to 3% slopes (WkA) within the southeast corner (Figure 5).

Soils of the Mamala Series are described as follows:

This series consists of shallow, well-drained soils along the coastal plains in the islands of Oahu and Kauai. These soils formed in alluvium deposited over coral limestone and consolidated calcareous sand. They are nearly level to moderately sloping. Elevations range from nearly sea level to 100 feet on Oahu but extend to 850 feet on Kauai. The annual rainfall amounts to 18 to 25 inches, most of which occurs between November and April. [Foote et al. 1972:93]

Soils of the Ewa Series are described as follows:

This series consists of well-drained soils in basins and on alluvial fans on the islands of Maui and Oahu. These soils developed in alluvium derived from basic igneous rock. They are nearly level to moderately sloping. Elevations range from near sea level to 150 feet. The annual rainfall amounts to 10 to 30 inches. Most of it occurs between November and April. [Foote et al. 1972:29]

Soils of the Honouliuli Series are described as follows:

This series consists of well drained soils on coastal plains on the island of Oahu in the Ewa area. These soils developed in alluvium derived from basic igneous material. They are nearly level and gently sloping. Elevations range from 15 to 125 feet. The annual rainfall amounts to 18 to 30 inches and occurs mainly between November and April. [Foote et al 1972:43]

Soils of the Waialua Series are described as follows:

This series consists of moderately well drained soils on alluvial fans on the island of Oahu. These soils developed in alluvium weathered from basic igneous rock.
They are nearly level to steep. Elevations range from 10 to 100 feet. The annual rainfall amounts to 25 to 50 inches; most of it occurs between November and April. [Foote et al. 1972:128]

This alluvium supported commercial sugar cane cultivation for over a century.

The project area lies on sedimentary deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene caprock) within the designated Southern Oahu Regional Aquifer System with ground-water flow to the SSW (Hunt 1996:B3, B33, B42). A review of historic maps shows the Kalo‘i Gulch natural drainage way arcing around the project area to the east but historic maps (see Figure 8 and Figure 11 through Figure 13) often show Kalo‘i Gulch as having no clear origin or clear end point. This may be accounted for by Hunt’s comment that:

The permeability of calcareous rocks commonly is moderate to very high and results from primary depositional textures, as well as from development of secondary porosity by solution. (Hunt 1996:B-26).

Do to this relatively high permeability Kalo‘i Gulch was not a well-developed surface drainage.

1.3.2 Built Environment

The southern portion of the project area is currently occupied by the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant and facilities. The northern portion of the project area is currently located in vacant land. The project area is bordered by the OR&L ROW to the north, Geiger Road on the south, Kalo‘i Gulch on the east, and Roosevelt Avenue on the south and west.
Figure 5. Overlay of a soil survey of the State of Hawai‘i (U.S. Department of Agriculture 2001) indicating sediment types within and surrounding the current project area
Section 2 Methods

2.1 Methods Used to Address the Two Different Areas of the Project

The northern and eastern relatively undeveloped portions of the project area (formerly designated TMK [1] 9-1-069:003) amounting to an area of 48.18 acres (19.50 hectares) was the subject of an Archaeological Assessment of the 'Ewa Industrial Park Project, Honolulu, 'Ewa District, O'ahu Island, TMK: (1) 9-1-069:003 (O'Hare et al. 2007) that was reviewed and accepted in an SHPD §6E-42 Historic Preservation Review dated 10 February 2009 (LOG NO.: 2009.0664, DOC NO.: 0902WT22; included here as Appendix A). The present study included a further reconnaissance of the O'Hare et al. (2007) project area but only for the purpose of documenting present conditions. No historic properties were identified.

The previously unsurveyed built-up area of the Honolulu Wastewater Treatment Plant of approximately 52.82 acres (21.38 hectares) is newly addressed and was subject to the field methods and literature and map review described below.

2.2 Field Methods

2.2.1 Pedestrian Inspection

CSH completed an archaeological inventory survey, which due to the lack of historic properties is reported as an archaeological assessment. The fieldwork was carried out under archaeological research permit number 14-04, issued by the Hawai‘i SHPD per HAR §13-13-282. Fieldwork was accomplished on 24 October 2014 by Trevor Yucha, B.S. and David W. Shideler, M.A. under the general supervision of Principal Investigator, Hallett H. Hammatt Ph.D. This work required approximately 1 person-day to complete.

Fieldwork included a pedestrian inspection of the entire project area, GPS data collection, and general documentation. The remaining southwestern portion of the project area including the heavily built-out wastewater treatment plant was subject to 100% pedestrian survey coverage during the current study. Because of the extensive infrastructure of the operating wastewater treatment plant standard, parallel, pedestrian sweeps were not possible. Rather the archaeologists attempted to investigate all portions of the facility that were not built upon by walking around the existing infrastructure (see Figure 16 in the Section 4 Results of Fieldwork section). No historic properties were identified.

General documentation included general view photographs of the project area, notes, a track log taken (see Figure 16) with a Garmin model GPSMAP 60CSx with an accuracy: +/- 3-5 m and a photographic log.

2.2.2 Rationale for No Subsurface Testing

Background research produced no evidence of traditional Hawaiian use of the project area which is far from the sea or perennial streams in an area of low rainfall. Field inspection indicated very extensive land disturbance associated with the construction of the existing WWTP.
2.3 Literature and Map Review

Background research included a review of previous archaeological studies on file at the SHPD; review of documents at Hamilton Library of the University of Hawai‘i, the Hawai‘i State Archives, the Mission Houses Museum Library, the Hawai‘i Public Library, and the Bishop Museum Archives; study of historic photographs at the Hawai‘i State Archives and the Bishop Museum Archives; and study of historic maps at the Survey Office of the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Historic maps and photographs from the CSH library were also consulted. In addition, Māhele records from the Waihona ‘Aina database (Waihona ‘Aina 2000) were examined.

This research provided the environmental, cultural, historic, and archaeological background for the project area. The sources studied were used to formulate a predictive model regarding the expected types and locations of historic properties in the project area.
Section 3  Background Research

3.1 Traditional and Historical Background

Hawaiians recognize several land divisions in varying scales, including the moku (district or island), the kalana (smaller land division than a moku), the ahupua'a (land division usually extending from the uplands to the sea), and the 'ili (smaller land divisions within an ahupua'a) (Malo 1976:16). S.K. Kuhano wrote in 1873 (cited in Kame'eleihiwa 1992:330) that O'ahu was divided into six kalana (although later scholars refer to these same divisions as moku)—Kona, 'Ewa, Wai'anae, Waialua, Ko'olau Loa and Ko'olau Poko—that were further divided into 86 ahupua'a. Within 'Ewa, there were 12 ahupua'a including (from west to east) Honouliuli, Hōʻaeʻae, Waikaulu, Wai'alea, Māhāna, Waimano, Waiau, Waimalu, Kalanalu, 'Aiea, and Hālawa (Kame'eleihiwa 1992:330). Modern maps and land divisions still generally follow the ancient system and use the same land divisions.

'Ewa is depicted as an abundant and populated land where chiefs of distinguished lineages were born and resided (Cordy 1996:1-6). The land was fertile and well fed by mountain streams that helped sustain the agricultural lifestyle needed to support the chiefs, their households, and their people. An examination of place names reveals that water was a very important factor in this moku. Six of the 12 ahupua'a in 'Ewa Moku—Waikele, Waipi'o, Waiawa, Waimano, Waiau, and Waimalu—begin with wai, the Hawaiian word for water. The fact that there were so many fishponds in 'Ewa, more than any other moku on O'ahu, indicates agricultural and aquacultural intensification was a direct link to the chiefs who resided there and to the increasing needs of the population.

One translation of the name for this district is given as “unequal” (Saturday Press, 11 August 1883). Others translate the word as “strayed” and associate it with the legends of the gods, Kāne and Kanaloa.

When Kane and Kanaloa were surveying the islands they came to Oahu and when they reached Red Hill saw below them the broad plains of what is now Ewa. To mark boundaries of the land they would throw a stone and where the stone fell would be the boundary line. When they saw the beautiful land lying below them, it was their thought to include as much of the flat level land as possible. They hurled the stone as far as the Waianae range and it landed somewhere in the Waimanalo section. When they went to find it, they could not locate the spot where it fell. So Ewa (strayed) became known by the name. The stone that strayed. [Told to E.S. by Simeon Nawaa, 22 March 1954 in Sterling and Summers 1978:1]

Honouliuli is the largest ahupua'a in the moku of 'Ewa. The name Honouliuli means “dark water,” “dark bay,” or “blue harbor” (Pukui et al. 1974:51) and was named for the waters of Pearl Harbor (Jarrett 1930:22), which marks the eastern boundary of the ahupua'a. The Hawaiians called Pearl Harbor, Pu'u'ula (lit. long hill). Another explanation for the names comes from the “Legend of Lepeaumoa,” the chicken-girl of Pālama. In this legend, Honouliuli is the name of the husband of the chiefess Kapālama and grandfather of Lepeaumo. The land district Honouliuli was named for the grandfather of Lepeaumo (Westervelt 1923:164-184).
3.1.1 *Mo’olelo (Stories)* of ‘Ewa

The *mo’olelo* (stories) of ‘Ewa invoke the deep Hawaiian past. Some *mo’olelo* make connections with Kahiki, the traditional homeland of Hawaiians in central Polynesia. Most notably, the chief Kaha‘i left from Kalaeloa (coastal area in Honouliuli Ahupua‘a) for a trip to Kahiki, and on his return to the Hawaiian Islands, brought back the first breadfruit (Kamakau 1991a:110) and planted it near the waters of Pu‘uloa (long hill), now known as Pearl Harbor (Beckwith 1940:97). In addition, several *mo’olelo* associate places in ‘Ewa with the gods Kane and Kanaloa, the pig god Kamapua‘a, the Hina family, and with the sisters of the Hawaiian volcano goddess Pele, all of whom have strong connections with Kahiki (Kamakau 1991a:111; Pukui et al. 1974:200).

‘Ewa literally means “crooked” or “unequal” (Pukui and Elbert 1986:42). Others interpret it as “strayed” in association with a story about the gods Kane and Kanaloa, who threw a stone to determine the boundary of the district (see previous section).

3.1.2 *Mo’olelo (Stories)* of Honouliuli

3.1.2.1 The Coastal Plains of Kaupe‘a and Pu‘uokapolei

Pu‘uokapolei was the primary landmark for travelers on the cross-*ahupua‘a* trail that ran from Pearl Harbor in the east to Wai‘anae in the west (‘I‘i 1959:27, 29; Nakuina 1992:54; E.M. Nuku‘ino 1904 in Sterling and Summers 1978:34). The plain southwest of the hill was called Kaupe‘a.

3.1.2.2 Pu‘uokapolei, Astronomical Marker and Heiau

Pu‘u means hill and Kape‘i means “beloved Kapo,” a reference to the sister of the Hawaiian volcano goddess, Pele. Samuel Kamakau (1976:14) says that ancient Hawaiians used Pu‘uokapolei as an astronomical marker to designate the seasons.

[The O‘ahu people who reckoned the time (*Oahu pō‘e helu*) called the season Kau for the setting of the sun from Pu‘uokapolei, a hill in Honouliuli, ‘Ewa, to the opening of Mahinoa (i ke kawaha o Mahinoaona). When the sun moved south from Pu‘uokapolei—and during the season of the sun in the south—for the coming of coolness and for the sprouting of new buds on growing things—the season was called Ho‘oil [winter, rainy, season]. [Kamakau 1976:14]

A *heiau* was once on Pu‘uokapolei, but had been destroyed by the time of McAllister’s (1933:108) survey of the island in the early 1930s. The hill was used as a point of solar reference or as a place for making astronomical observations (Fornander 1919:4(2):292). Pu‘uokapolei may have been regarded as the gate of the setting sun, just as Kumukahi in Puna is regarded as the eastern gate of the rising sun; both places are associated with the Hawaiian goddess Kapo (Emerson 1993:41). This somewhat contradicts other Hawaiian cosmologies, in which Kū was the god of the rising sun and Hina, the mother of Kamapua‘a, was associated with the setting sun. Fornander (1919:4(2):292) states that Pu‘uokapolei may have been a jumping off place (also connected with the setting sun) and associated with the wandering souls who roamed the plains of Kaupe‘a and Kānehili, *makai* (inland) of the hill.
3.1.2.3 Pu‘uokapolei and Kamapua‘a

Pu‘uokapolei was the home of Kamapua‘a’s grandmother, Kamaunuanaho, one of the three migrants from Kahiki that were ancestors to the people of O‘ahu (Fornander 1919:5(2):318; Kahilo 1978:81, 107). Kamapua‘a, the Hawaiian pig god, once lived in Kaluanui on the windward side of O‘ahu, but he escaped to ‘Ewa when he was pursued by the chief Olopana.

Kamapua‘a subsequently conquered most of the island of O‘ahu, and, installing his grandmother [Kamaunuanaho] as queen, took her to Pu‘uokapolei, the lesser of the two hillocks forming the southeastern spur of the Wai‘anae Mountain Range, and made her establish her court there. This was to compel the people who were to pay tribute to bring all the necessities of life from a distance, to show his absolute power over all. [Nakuina 1904:50-51]

Emma Nakuina goes on to note: “A very short time ago [prior to 1904] the foundations of Kamaunuanaho’s house could still be seen at Pu‘uokapolei.” Another account (Ka Loea Kālai āina 13 January 1900 in Sterling and Summers 1978:34) speaks of Kekeleaiiku, the older brother of Kamapua‘a, who also lived on Pu‘uokapolei.

3.1.2.4 Pu‘uokapolei and the Plains of Kaupe‘a and Kānehili

Pele’s sister Hi‘iaka sang this bitter chant addressed to Lohiau and Wahine-ōma‘o, which uses the association of the Plains of Kaupe‘a as a place for the wandering of lost souls:

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\begin{align*}
Ku‘u aikana i ke awa lau o Pu‘uloa, \\
Mai ke kula o Pe‘e-kaua, ke noho oe, \\
E noho kaua e kui, e lei i ka pua o ke kauno‘a, \\
i ka pua o ke akuli-kuli, o ka wili-wili; \\
O ka iho‘na o Kau-pe‘e i Kane-hili, \\
Ua hili au; akahi no ka hili o ka la pomaika‘i; \\
E Lohiau ipo, e Wahine-oma‘o, \\
Hoe ‘a mai ka wa‘a i a‘e aku au.
\end{align*}
\]

We meet at Ewa’s leaf-shaped lagoon, friends; 
Let us sit, if you will on this lea 
And bedeck us with wreaths of Kauno‘a, 
Of akuli-kuli and wili-wili, 
My soul went astray in this solitude; 
It lost the track for once, in spite of luck, 
As I came down the road to Kau-pe‘a. 
No nightmare dream was that which tricked my soul. 
This way, dear friends; turn the canoe this way; 
Paddle hither and let me embark. 
[Emerson 1993:162-163]

Several other Honouliuli places are mentioned in this chant, including Pe‘e-kaua, which may be a variation of Kau-pe‘e or Kaupe‘a, and the plains of Kānehili, the last of which again refers to wandering, as the word hili means “to go astray” (Emerson 1993:162). In the chant, Hi‘iaka is
moving downhill from Kaupe'a, probably the plains adjacent to Pu'ukapolei, toward the coast, the plain of Kānehili.

3.1.2.5 The Plains of Kaupe'a, Pu'ukapolei, and the Realm of Homeless Souls

There are several places on the 'Ewa coastal plain associated with a'o kuewa, the realm of the homeless souls. Samuel Kamakau (1991b:47-49) explains Hawaiian beliefs in the afterlife:

There were three realms (a'o) for the spirits of the dead. . . . There were, first, the realm of the homeless souls, the a'o kuewa; second, the realm of the ancestral spirits, the a'o 'aumakua; and third, the realm of Milu, ke ao o Milu . . . [Kamakau 1991b:47-49]

The a'o kuewa, the realm of homeless souls, was also called the a'o 'auwana, the realm of wandering souls. When a man who had no rightful place in the 'aumakua realm (kanaka kuleana 'ole) died, his soul would wander about and stray amongst the underbrush on the plain of Kama'oma'o on Maui, or in the wiliwili grove of Kaupe'a on O'ahu. If his soul came to Leilono (in Hālawa, 'Ewa near Red Hill), there he would find the breadfruit tree of Leiwalo, ka'ulu o Leiwalo. If it was not found by an 'aumakua soul who knew it (i ma'a mau iaia), or one who would help it, the soul would leap upon the decayed branch of the breadfruit tree and fall down into endless night, the pō pau 'ole o Milu. Or, a soul that had no rightful place in the 'aumakua realm, or who had no relative or friend (makamaka) there “who would watch out for it and welcome it, would slip over the flat lands like a wind, until it came to a leaping place of souls, a leina a ka 'uhane. . . .” [Kamakau 1991b:47).

On the plain of Kaupe'a beside Pu'ula'a [Pearl Harbor], wandering souls could go to catch moths (pulelehua) and spiders (nanana). However, wandering souls could not go far in the places mentioned earlier before they would be found catching spiders by 'aumakua souls, and be helped to escape. [Kamakau 1991b:49]

The breadfruit tree Leilono was said to have been located on the 'Ewa-Kona border, above 'Ailamau. In another section of his account of the dead, Kamakau (1991b:29) calls the plain of wandering souls the “plain at Pu'ukapolei.”

There are many who have died and have returned to say that they had no claim to an 'aumakua [realm] (kuleana 'ole). These are the souls, it is said, who only wander upon the plain of Kama'oma'o on Maui or on the plain at Pu'ukapolei on Oahu. Spiders and moths are their food. (Kamakau 1991b:29)

This association of Pu'ukapolei and Kānehili with wandering souls is also illustrated in a lament on the death of Kahahana, the paramount chief of O'ahu, who was killed by his foster father, the Maui chief Kahekili, after Kahahana became treacherous and killed the high priest Ka'opulupulu.

E newa ai o hea make i ka la, Go carefully lest you fall dead in the sun,  
Akua noho la i Puuukapolei.  The god that dwells on Kapolei hill
E hanehane mai ana ka la i na The sun is wailing on account of the  
wahine o Kamao, women of Kamao,
Akua pee, A hiding god, blossoming  
pua ohai o ke kaha, ohai of the banks,
Contented among the stones—
Among the breadfruit planted by Kahai.
Thou wast spoken of by the oo—
By the bird of Kanehili.

[Fortander 1919:6(2):297]

Fornander provides some notes on this lament. The god dwelling at Kapolei is Kahahana, stating that this is where his soul has gone. Kamao is one of the names of the door to the underworld. This lament draws an association with wandering souls and the place where the first breadfruit tree was planted by Kaha'i at Pu'ula. (Fortander 1919:6(2):304).

Pukui (1983:180) offers this Hawaiian saying, which places the wandering souls in a wiliwili grove at Kaupe'a.

Ka wiliwili of Kaupe’a. The wiliwili grove of Kaupe’a.  
In ‘Ewa, O’ahu. Said to be where homeless ghosts wander among the trees.

Beckwith (1940:154) has stressed that “the worst fate that could befall a soul was to be abandoned by its aumakua and left to stray, a wandering spirit (kuewa) in some barren and desolate place.” These wandering spirits were often malicious, so the places where they wandered were avoided.

3.1.2.6 The Plain of Pukaua

The Hawaiian language newspaper Ka Loa Kālai‘aina, (13 January 1900) relates that near Pu‘uokapolei, on the plain of Pukaua, on the mauka side of the road, there was a large rock. This legend suggests the plain around Pu‘uokapolei was called Pukaua. The legend is as follows:

If a traveler should go by the government road to Waianae, after leaving the village of gold, Honouliuli, he will first come to the plain of Puu-ainako and when that is passed, Ke-one-ae. Then there is a straight climb up to Puu-o-Kapolei and there look seaward from the government road to a small hill, That is Puu-Kapolei . . . You go down some small inclines, then to a plain. This plain is Pukaua and on the mauka side of the road, you will see a large rock standing on the plain . . . There were two supernatural old women or rather peculiar women with strange powers and Puukaua belonged to them. While they were down fishing at Kualaka‘i [near Barbers Point] in the evening, they caught these things, a‘ama crabs, pipipi shellfish, and whatever they could get with their hands. As they were returning to the plain from the shore and thinking of getting home while it was yet dark, they failed for they met a one-eyed person [bad omen]. It became light as they came near to the plain, so that passing people were distinguishable. They were still below the road and became frightened lest they be seen by men. They began to run—running, leaping, falling, sprawling, rising up and running on, without a thought of the a‘ama crabs and seaweeds that dropped on the way, so long as they would reach the upper side of the road. They did not go far for by then it was broad daylight. One woman said to the other, ‘Let us hide lest people see us,’ and so they hid. Their bodies turned into stone and that is one of the famous things on this plain to this day, the stone body. This is the end of these strange women. When one visits the plain, it will do no harm to glance on the upper side of the road and see them
standing on the plain. [Ka Loea Kālaiʻāina, 13 January 1900, translation in Sterling and Summers 1978:39]

In another version of this story, the two women met Hiʻiaka as she journeyed toward the ‘Ewa coast. The women were moʻo (supernatural beings) and were afraid that Hiʻiaka would kill them, so they changed into their lizard form. One of the lizards hid in a little space on a stone beside the coastal trail, and the other hid nearby (Ka Hōkū o Hawaiʻi, 15 February 1927, translated in Maly 1997:19). From that time on the stone was known as peʻe-kāua, meaning “we two hidden.” Hiʻiaka greeted the two women but did not harm them, and passed on.

When she reached Puʻuokapolei, she also greeted two old women who lived at an ‘ohai grove on the hill. These women were named Puʻuokapolei and Nāwaineokamaʻomaʻo (Ka Hōkū o Hawaiʻi, 22 February 1927, translated in Maly 1997:19). As she continued her travels, she looked to the ocean and saw the canoe carrying Lohiʻau.

Kuʻu kāne i ke awa lau o Puʻuloa
Maʻi ke kula o Peʻekāua ke noho
E noho kāua i ke kaha o ka ʻōhai
I ka wiliwili i ka pua o ka lau noni
O ka ihona i Kānehili la
Ua hili hoʻi au-e

[Ka Hōkū o Hawaiʻi, 22 February 1927, translated in Maly 1997:20]

3.1.2.7 Legend of Nāmakaokapaoʻo

Nāmakaokapaoʻo was a Hawaiian hero of legendary strength. Nāmakaokapaoʻo’s mother was Pokai and his father was Kaulukahai, a great chief of Kahiki, the ancestral home of the Hawaiians. The two met in Hōʻaeʻae and conceived their child there. The father returned to his home in Kahiki before the birth of his son, leaving his Oʻahu family destitute. A man named Pualiʻi saw Pokai and married her. The couple then resided on the plains of Keahumoa, planting sweet potatoes. Nāmakaokapaoʻo was a small, brave child who took a dislike to his stepfather, and pulled up the sweet potatoes Pualiʻi had planted at their home in Keahumoa. When Pualiʻi came after Nāmakaokapaoʻo with an axe, Nāmakaokapaoʻo delivered a death prayer against him, and slew Pualiʻi, hurling his head into a cave in Waipouli, near the beach at Honouliuli (Fornander 1919:5(2):274-276).

3.1.2.8 Legend of Pikoī

Pikoī was a legendary hero, the son of a crow (ʻalalā) and brother to five god-sisters in the form of rats. He was famous for his ability to shoot arrows, and often made bets that he could hit rats from a long distance (Fornander 1917:4(3):450-463). Pikoī’s skill was commemorated in a saying (Pukui 1983:200):

Ku aku la i ka pana a
Pikoī-a-ka-ʻalalā, keiki pana
ʻiole o ke kula o Keahumoa.

Shot by the arrow of Pikoī-[son]
of-the-crow, the expert rat-shooter
Of the plain of Keahumoa.

3.1.2.9 Story of Palila

In the legend of the hero Palila, the famous warrior had a supernatural war club. He could throw the club a long distance, hang on to the end of it, and fly along the club’s path. Using this power,
he touched down in several places in Honouliuli, Waipi‘o, and Waikele. One day he used his supernatural war club to carry himself to Ka‘ena Point at Wai‘anae, and from there east across the district of ‘Ewa.

_Ha‘alele keia ia Ka‘ena, hele mai la a Kalena, a Pōhākea, Maunauna, Kāneho, a ke kula o Keahumoa, nana ia ‘Ewa. Kū kēia i laila nānā i ke kū a ka ea o ka lepo i nā kānaka, e pahu aku ana kēia i ka la‘au palau aia nei i kai o Honouliuli, kū ka ea o ka lepo, nu lalo o ka homua, me he olai la, makau nā kānaka holo a hiki i Waikele. A hiki o Palila, i laila, e pa‘apu ana nā kānaka i ka nānā lealea a ke ‘li‘i o O‘ahu nei, oai o Ahuapau._

After leaving Ka‘ena, he came to Kalena, then on to Pōhākea, then to Manuauna [a peak in Honouliuli], then to Kāneho [a peak in Honouliuli], then to the plain of Keahumoa [upland plain from Honouliuli to Waipi‘o] and looked toward ‘Ewa. At this place he stood and looked at the dust as it ascended into the sky caused by the people who had gathered there; he then pushed his war club toward Honouliuli. When the people heard something roar like an earthquake they were afraid and they all ran to Waikele. When Palila arrived at Waikele he saw the people gathered there to witness the athletic games that were being given by the king of O‘ahu, Ahuapau by name. [Fornander 1918:5(1):142-143]

3.1.2.10 The Demi-god Māui

In the stories of the demi-god Māui, Keahumoa is the home of Māui’s grandfather, Kuolokele (Kū-honeycreeper). One day, Māui’s wife, Kumulama, was stolen by the chief Pepeamakawalu, called eight-eyed-Pea-Pea, who is identified in the creation chant _Kumulipo_ as the octopus god (Beckwith 1951:136). The chief disappeared with Kumulama in the sky beyond the sea, and escaped so quickly that Māui could not catch him. To recover his wife, Māui’s mother advised him to visit the hut of his grandfather at Keahumoa:

_Māui went as directed until he arrived at the hut; he peeped in but there was no one inside. He looked at the potato field on the other side of Pohā-kea, toward Honouliuli, but could see no one. He then ascended a hill, and while he stood there looking, he saw a man coming toward Waipahu with a load of potato leaves, one pack of which, it is said, would cover the whole land of Keahumoa. [Thrum 1923:253-254]_

_Kuolokele made a moku-manu (“bird-ship”) for Māui, who entered the body of the bird and flew to Moanalua, the land of the chief Pepeamakawalu. This chief claimed the bird as his own when it landed on a sacred box, and took it with him into the house he shared with Māui’s wife. When Pepeamakawalu fell asleep, Māui killed him, cut off his head, and flew away back to O‘ahu with his wife and the chief’s head (Thrum 1923:252-259)._  

_A man named Kaopele, born in Waipi‘o, had a tendency to fall into deep trances for months at a time. While awake, he would create plantations of supernatual proportions. However, he was never able to enjoy the fruits of his labors because he would always fall into another deep sleep. During one profound slumber, Kaopele was believed to be dead; he was taken to Wailua, Kaua‘i to be offered as a sacrifice. Upon awakening, he married a woman named Makalani and stayed on Kaua‘i. They had a son named Kalelealuaka, who was also blessed with supernatural powers._
Kaopele instructed the boy in the arts of war and combat, which Kalelealuaka exhibited during two challenges with kings of Kaua‘i. One day, Kalelealuaka decided to travel to O‘ahu. A boy, Kaluhe, accompanied him and they paddled to Wa‘inae. There, he met another companion who he later named Keinoho‘omanawanui, the sloven. The three traveled toward the old plantation called Keahumoe (Keahumoa), in the mauka regions of Waipi‘o, formerly planted by Kaopele.

[T]he three turned inland and journeyed till they reached a plain of soft, whitish rock, where they all refreshed themselves with food. They kept on ascending, until Keahumoe lay before them, dripping with hoary moisture from the mist of the mountain, yet as if smiling through its tears. Here were standing bananas with ripened, yellow fruit, upland kalo, and sugar cane, rusty and crooked with age, while the sweet potatoes had crawled out of the earth and were cracked and dry. [Emerson 1998:86-87]

To determine the best settlement location, Kalelealuaka shot an arrow to see where it would land. He then built a mountain house and called it “Lelepua” (meaning “arrow flight”). One night, Kalelealuaka makes known his wish:

The beautiful daughters of Kakuhihewa to be my wives; his fattened pigs and dogs to be baked for us; his choice kalo, sugar cane, and bananas to be served up for us; that Kakuhihewa himself send and get timber and build a house for us; that he pull the famous awa of Kahuone; that the King send and fetch us to him; that he chew the awa for us in his own mouth, strain and pour it for us, and give us to drink until we are happy, and then take us to our house. [Emerson 1998:89]

Upon hearing such a request, the mō‘ī (high chief) Kakuhihewa confers with his priests and instead of killing Kalelealuaka, decides to test him in battle with Kūali‘i. Kalelealuaka proves worthy in battle and is given charge of Kakuhihewa’s kingdom.

3.1.2.11 Hi‘iaka, Sister to the Hawaiian Volcano Goddess, Pele

The goddess Hi‘iaka, sister of the volcano goddess Pele, passed through ‘Ewa and met women stringing ma‘o flowers to make lei. Hi‘iaka offered a chant, making known her wish for a lei around her own neck.

E lei ana ke kula o Ke‘ahumoa i ka ma‘o

‘Ohu ‘ohu wale nā wāhine kai lei o ka nahele

(Ho‘oumāhiehiemalie 2006a:287; 2006b:268)

3.1.3 Traditional Settlement and Agricultural Patterns

Various Hawaiian legends and early historical accounts indicate ‘Ewa was once widely inhabited by pre-Contact populations, including the Hawaiian ali‘i (chieftain class). This would be due for the most part to the plentiful marine and estuarine resources available at the coast, where several sites interpreted as permanent habitations and fishing shrines have been located. Other attractive subsistence-related features of the district include irrigated lowlands suitable for wetland taro cultivation, as well as the lower forest area of the mountain slopes for the procurement of forest resources. Handy and Handy (1972) report the following:
The lowlands, bisected by ample streams, were ideal terrain for the cultivation of irrigated taro. The hinterland consisted of deep valleys running far back into the Koʻolau range. Between the valleys were ridges, with steep sides, but a very gradual increase of altitude. The lower part of the valley sides were excellent for the cultivation of yams and bananas. Farther inland grew the ‘awa for which the area was famous. [Handy and Handy 1972:429]

In addition, breadfruit, coconuts, wauke (paper mulberry, Broussonetia papyrifera, used to make kapa for clothing), bananas, and olonā (Touchardia latifoli, used to make cordage) and other plants were grown in the interior. ‘Ewa was known as one of the best areas to grow gourds and was famous for its māmaki (Piperus spp.; used to make kapa for clothing). It was also famous for a rare taro called the kāi o ‘Ewa, which was grown in mounds in marshy locations (Handy and Handy 1972:471). The cultivation of this prized and delicious taro led to the saying:

_Ua ‘ai i ke kāi-koi o ‘Ewa._ He has eaten the Kāi-koi taro of ‘Ewa.

Kāi is Oʻahu’s best eating taro; one who has eaten it will always like it. Said of a youth of a maiden of ‘Ewa, who, like the Kāi taro, is not easily forgotten. [Pukui 1983:305]

The lochs of Pearl Harbor were ideal for the construction of fishponds and fish traps. Forest resources along the slopes of the Waiʻanae Range probably acted as a viable subsistence alternative during times of famine and/or low rainfall (Handy 1940:211; Handy and Handy 1972:469-470). The upper valley slopes may have also been a resource for sporadic quarrying of basalt used in the manufacturing of stone tools. At least one probable quarrying site (SIHP # 50-80-12-4322) is present in Makaʻiwa Gulch at 152 m (500 ft) above mean sea level (Hammatt et al. 1990) in Honolulu.

### 3.1.4 Māweke and Overview of the Reign of Aliʻi in ‘Ewa

Many references document that chiefs resided in ‘Ewa and that it was a political center in its day. Oral accounts of aliʻi recorded by noted Hawaiian historian Samuel Kamakau date back to at least the twelfth century.

The chiefs of Līhuʻe [upland area in ‘Ewa], Wahiawā, and Halemano on Oʻahu were called lō aliʻi. Because the chiefs at these places lived there continually and guarded their kapu, they were called lō aliʻi [from whom a ‘guaranteed’ chief might be obtained, loaʻa]. They were like gods, unseen, resembling men. [Kamakau 1991a:40]

In the mid-eleventh century, Māweke, a direct lineal descendant of the illustrious Nanaulu (ancestor of Hawaiian royalty), was a chief of Oʻahu (Fornander 1996:47). Keaunui, the second of his three sons, became the head of the powerful ‘Ewa chiefs. Tradition tells of him cutting a navigable channel through the Pearl River using his canoe. Keaunui’s son, Lakona, became the progenitor of the ‘Ewa chiefs around 1400 (Fornander 1996:224-226). Chiefs within his line, the Māweke-Kumuhonua line, reigned until about 1520-1540, with their major royal center in Līhuʻe in ‘Ewa (Cordy 2002:24). Haka was the last chief of the Māweke-Kumuhonua line. He was slain by his men at the fortress of Waewae near Līhuʻe (Fornander 1996:88; Kamakau 1991a:54). Power shifted between the chiefs of different districts from the 1500s until the early 1700s, when Kūaliʻi achieved control of all of Oʻahu by defeating the Kona chiefs. He then defeated the ‘Ewa chiefs...
and expanded his control on windward Kaua‘i. Peleihōlani, the heir of Kūali‘i, gained control of O‘ahu about 1740, and later conquered parts of Moloka‘i. He ruled O‘ahu until his death in about 1778 when Kahahana, of the ‘Ewa line of chiefs, was selected as the ruler of O‘ahu (Cordy 2002:24-41). Somewhere between 1783 and 1785, Kahahana was killed by Kahekili of Maui. The subsequent rebellion amongst the chiefs resulted in a near genocide of the line of monarchy on O‘ahu. Oral reports also tell of how the stream of Hō‘ai‘ai in ‘Ewa was choked with the bodies of the slain (Fornander 1996:224-226). Kahekili and the Maui chiefs retained control of O‘ahu until the 1790s. Kahekili died at Waikīkī in 1794. His son, Kalanikūpule, was defeated the following year at the Battle of Nu‘uanu by Kamehameha (Kamakau 1992:376-377). Thus, the supremacy of the ‘Ewa chiefs came to a final end.

3.1.5 Ka‘ihihikapu and Chiefly Rivalry

Around 1600-1620, the entire island of O‘ahu was united under the rule of one woman, an ali‘i named Kala‘imanuia (Cordy 2002:30). Before her death, she divided her kingdom between four of her children: She gave the districts of Kona and Ko‘olaupoko to Kū-a-Manuia; the ahupua‘a of Kalualii, ‘Alea, Moanalua, and Hālawa to Ka‘ihihikapu-a-Manuia; the districts of ‘Ewa and Wai‘anae to Ha‘o; and the districts of Waialua and Ko‘olauloa to her daughter Kekela. To Kū, she passed on her title of mō‘i so that the other three were still subject to their eldest brother. Kū, however, was greedy and began to try to take the lands allotted to his siblings away from them. Ha‘o joined with his brother Ka‘ihihikapu in a battle defending against an attack by Kū, a battle in which Kū was slain. Ka‘ihihikapu then became mō‘i and was a benevolent king, taking care of his subjects and making frequent tours around the island to observe the people. On one of these circuits, he visited his brother Ha‘o at his court in Waikele and grew jealous of the riches of his brother’s home in ‘Ewa. Ka‘ihihikapu sent the carcass of a large man-eating shark that had been caught near his court in Waikīkī to his brother as a gift so that Ha‘o could use it as a sacrifice to the gods at his heiau in Waikele. Ka‘ihihikapu’s forces attacked Ha‘o and his priests at the temple as they were unarmed and busy with the dedication ceremonies (Fornander 1996:270-271).

There are other versions of this mo‘olelo that describe the shark as similar to the gift of the Trojan Horse, but Fornander (1996:271) believes these “embellishments” may have been made in the post-Contact period. In one version of this mo‘olelo (Pukui 1983:191), Ka‘ihihikapu took Ha‘o’s lands from him.

The chiefs of Waikīkī and Waikele were brothers. The former wished to destroy the latter and laid his plot. He went fishing and caught a large niuhi [man-eating shark], whole skin he stretched over a framework. Then he sent a messenger to ask his brother if he would keep a fish for him. Having gained his consent, the chief left Waikīkī hidden with his best warriors in the ‘fish.’ Other warriors joined them along the way until there was a large army. They surrounded the residence of the chief of Waikele and linked arms to form a wall, while the Waikīkī warriors poured out of the ‘fish’ and destroyed those of Waikele. [Pukui 1983:191]

There is a saying concerning this rivalry between the two brothers, “Ke one kuilima laula o ‘Ewa. The sand on which there was a linking of arms [kuilima] on the breadth of ‘Ewa” (Pukui 1983:191).

In a different version of this mo‘olelo (Kamakau 1991a:61-67), Ka‘ihihikapu cut open the shark captured from the Waikīkī waters, removed all the meat, and left the skin and bones. He sent a
messenger to his brother, Ha'o, chief of Waikele, offering the shark to him. Ha'o quickly agreed, and waited for the shark to be delivered to Waikele, where he planned to place it at his heiau as an offering to the gods. When the shark was placed on the altar, Ka'ihikapu and his men jumped out and slaughtered his brother and all of the priests. The slain men were then put into the shark and offered as a sacrifice at the former heiau of his brother at Waikele. Kamakau (1991a:67) says that the name of this place of slaughter in Waikele was called Paumakua. Thrum (1922:665) translates this place name as “all fiery eyed.” McAllister (1933:106) located this destroyed heiau, called Hapupu, at the site then occupied by the Waipahu plantation stables.

O'ahu was unified once more when Ka'ihikapu's son, Kākūhihewa, married his aunt's (Kekela) daughter, Nāpūlānau. Kākūhihewa had royal residences at Waikīkī, Kailua, and 'Ewa. His descendants lost most of this unified power to the district chiefs over the next three generations (Cordy 2002:31).

3.1.6 Kūali'i's Defeat of the 'Ewa Ali'i

In the first half of the eighteenth century, the island of O'ahu was ruled by the chief Kūali'i, who consolidated his supreme power over the entire island by defeating the Kona chiefs and then the 'Ewa chiefs in battle (Cordy 2002:32). Kūali'i met 'Ewa's competing army on the plains of Keahumo, but the 'Ewa chiefs surrendered when they saw Kūali'i's overwhelming forces, and they ceded the lands of Ko'olauloa, Ko'olupoko, Waialua, and Wai'anae to him (Fornander 1917:4(2):366, 400).

3.1.7 The Overthrow of Kahahana and the Rule of Kahekili

O'ahu was ruled by Kūali'i's son and grandson, and then by Kahahana, the son of the 'Ewa chief Elani and the sister of Kūali'i's son Peleiohalani (Fornander 1919:6(2):282). Kahahana had been raised in the court of the powerful Maui chief, Kahekili.

Thomas Thrum (1998:203-214) translates the legend of the kahuna Ka'ōpulupulu, who lived in Waimea. Kahekili, the king of Maui sent his foster son, Kahahana to rule O'ahu, around the year 1779 (Cordy 2002:42). Kahahana set up his royal compound in Waikīkī and commanded the priest Ka'ōpulupulu to attend him there. At first Kahahana valued the wisdom of this wise priest, but after several years, Kahahana began to be cruel to the people, and in protest Ka'ōpulupulu left Waikīkī to return to his home in Waimea. This angered the king, who sent messengers to order Ka'ōpulupulu and his son Kahulupue to come to Wai'anae where Kahahana then resided. They were placed into a special grass hut, one tied to the end post and one tied to the corner post of the house. The next day, Kahahana ordered his men to torture the son, stabbing his eyes and stoning him while his father watched. When Ka'ōpulupulu saw this, he commanded his son to flee into the sea, saying these words (Pukui 1983), which contained a prophecy.

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E\ nui\ ke\ aho,\ e\ ku'u\ keiki,\ 
a\ moe\ i\ ke\ kai,\ no\ ke\ kai\ la\ 
ho'i\ ka\ 'aina.\ 
\]  
\[Pukui\ 1983:44\]

Take a deep breath, my son, and lay yourself in the sea, for then the land shall belong to the sea.

When Kahekili heard of this outrage, he sent an army to O'ahu to depose Kahahana. The O'ahu force was defeated around the year 1795 (Cordy 2002:19), and Kahahana, his wife, Kekuapoi, and his friend Alapai, fled westward, hiding at many places in 'Ewa.
Upon the arrival here at Oahu of Kahekili, Kahahana fled, with his wife Kekuaopoi, and friend Alapai, and hid in the shrubbery of the hills. They went to Aliomanu, Moanalua, to a place called Kinimakalehua; then moved along to Keanapuaa and Kepookala, at the lochs of Puuloa, and then from there to upper Waipio; thence to Wahiawa, Helemano, and on to Lihue [upper plain of Honouliuli, Hōʻaeʻae, and Waipiʻo]; thence they came to Poohilo, at Honouliuli, where they first showed themselves to the people and submitted themselves to their care. [Thrum 1998:213-214]

Through treachery, Kahahana was induced to leave Pōʻohilo, Honouliuli and was killed on the plains of Hōʻaeʻae. While hiding in Pōʻohilo, and ʻili of Honouliuli:

... report thereof was made to Kahekili, the king, who thereupon sent Kekuananoha, elder brother of Kekuaopoi, the wife of Kahahana, with men in double canoes from Waikiki, landing first at Kupahu, Hanapouli, Waipio, and had instructions to capture and put to death Kahahana, as also his friend Alapai, but to save alive Kekuaopoi. When the canoes touched at Hanapouli, they proceeded thence to Waikele and Hoaeae, and from there to Poohilo, Honouliuli, where they met with Kahahana and party in conference. At the close of the day Kekuananoha sought by enticing words to induce his brother-in-law to go on with him and see the father king and be assured of no death condemnation, and by skilled flattery he induced Kahahana to consent to his proposition, whereabouts preparation was made for the return. On the following morning, coming along and reaching the plains of Hoaeae, they fell upon and slew Kahahana and Alapai there, and bore their lifeless bodies to Halaulani, Waipio, where they were placed in the canoes and brought up to Waikiki and placed up in the coconut trees by King Kahekili and his priests from Maui, as Kaopulupulu had been. Thus was fulfilled the famous saying of the Oahu priest in ‘all its truthfulness.’ According to the writings of S.M. Kamakau and David Malo, recognized authorities, the thought of Kaopulupulu as expressed to his son Kahulupue, ‘This land is the sea’s,’ was in keeping with the famous prophetic vision of Keikiopilo that ‘the foreigners possess the land,’ as the people of Hawaii now realize. [Manu 1904:112-113]

Somewhere between 1783 and 1785, Kahahana was killed by Kahekili of Maui. Kahahana’s father ‘Elani, along with other Oʻahu chiefs, plotted to kill Kahekili and his chiefs who were residing at Kailua, Oʻahu, as well as his chiefs residing at ‘Ewa and Waialua. The plot was discovered by Kahekili, and a messenger was sent to warn Hūʻeu at Waiʻalua. For some reason, the messenger never reached Hūʻeu and he and his retinue were killed. The murderers of Hūʻeu were found in Waipiʻo, “therefore Ewa became famed as a land of deadly plots” (Ka Nāpēpa Kūʻokoʻa, 5 December 1868 translated in Sterling and Summers 1978:3). This slaughter became known as the Waipiʻo kīmopō, or the Waipiʻo assassination because it originated there. Kahekili avenged the death of Hūʻeu by pillaging and destroying the districts of Kona and ‘Ewa. It is said that the streams of Makaho and Niuhelawai in Kona as well as Hōʻaeʻae in ‘Ewa were “choked with the bodies of the slain, and their waters became bitter to the taste, as eyewitnesses say, from the brains that turned the water bitter” (Kamakau 1992:138). It was during this time that the Oʻahu chiefly lines were nearly exterminated. It is said that one of the Maui chiefs, Kalilaoa, used the bones of the slain to build a wall around his house at Lapâkeia in Moanalua. The house was known
as Kauwala and could be seen as one passed by the “old upper road to ‘Ewa” (Fornander 1996:290).

3.1.8 Early Historic Period

Captain James Cook landed in the Hawaiian Islands in 1778, and ten years later the first published description of Pearl Harbor appeared. Captain Nathaniel Portlock, observing the coast of Honolulu for Great Britain, recorded the investigation of a “fine, deep bay running well to the northward” around the west point of “King George’s Bay” in his journal (Portlock 1789:74). Portlock’s description matches the entire crescent-shaped shoreline from Barbers Point to Diamond Head.

Captain George Vancouver made three voyages to the Hawaiian Islands between 1792 and 1794. In 1793, the British captain recorded the name of the harbor opening as “O-poo-ro-ah” and sent several boats across the sand bar to venture into the harbor proper (Vancouver 1798:884). The area known as “Pu’u-loa” was comprised of the eastern bank at the entrance to Pearl River. George Vancouver anchored off the entrance to West Loch in 1793, and the Hawaiians told him of the area at “a little distance from the sea, [where] the soil is rich and all the necessaries of life are abundantly produced” (Vancouver 1798 in Sterling and Summers 1978:36). Mr. Whithey, one of Vancouver’s crew, observed, “from the number of houses within the harbor it should seem to be very populous; but the very few inhabitants who made their appearance were an indication of the contrary” (Vancouver 1798 in Sterling and Summers 1978:36).

Captain Vancouver sailed by Kualaeoa (Barbers Point) in 1792, and recorded his impression of the small coastal village of Kualaka‘i and the arid Honolulu coast.

The point is low flat land, with a reef round it . . . Not far from the S.W. point is a small grove of shabby cocoa-nut trees, and along these shores are a few struggling fishermen’s huts. [Vancouver 1798:1:167]

. . . from the commencement of the high land to the westward of Opooroah [Pu’uloa], was composed of one very barren rocky waste, nearly destitute of verdure, cultivation or inhabitants, with little variation all the way to the west point of the island . . . [Vancouver 1798:2:217]

This tract of land was of some extent but did not seem to be populous, nor to possess any great degree of fertility; although we were told that at a little distance from the sea, the soil is rich, and all necessaries of life are abundantly produced . . . [Vancouver 1798:3:361-363]

The reports left by Artemas Bishop of the Ewa Protestant Station in Waiawa shed light on the massive impact disease was having on the Hawaiian people in the ‘Ewa district. The 1831-1832 census of O‘ahu recorded a population of 4,015 within the ‘Ewa district. Four years later in 1836, the ‘Ewa population had dropped to 3,423 (Schmitt 1973:9, 36), “a decrease of 592 in 4 years” (Ewa Station Report 1836). Reverend Lowell Smith noted the following:

The people of Ewa are a dying people. I have not been able to obtain an exact count of all the deaths & births since the last general meeting. But my impression is that there have been as many as 8 or 10 deaths to one birth. I have heard of but 4 births
on Waiawa during the year, & all of these children are dead. I have attended about 20 funerals on that one land, & 16 of these were adults. [Ewa Station Report 1836]

The population stabilized in the 1830s and early 1840s. In January 1849, the population was 2,386 people but the population dropped with a measles epidemic in October 1849. Although Bishop made an attempt to vaccinate as many individuals as possible, the smallpox epidemic of 1853-1854 killed upwards of 400 people in the 'Ewa District. The comments of Artemas Bishop reflect the destitution people were suffering district wide:

It is not necessary that I go into detail of that season of sorrow and trial which we passed through, and from which I did not myself escape without feeling its influence in my own person. Let it suffice here, that not a house or family in Ewa escaped. In many cases, whole families were cut off. Husbands and wives parents and children, were separated by death. The whole state of society became disorganized, almost every family was broken up. In the whole district between July and October inclusive, upwards of half of the people died and of those who escaped, many are still enfeebled in consequence. In the church we have lost upwards of 400 members, including several of my best men. We feel ourselves very much crippled in consequence. Many sad and affected feelings, mingled with discouragement have followed my labors through the year, and that to a degree far beyond what I ever before suffered. [Ewa Station Report 1854]

Sereno Bishop also remembered his father’s efforts to save his congregation, but with limited success in 'Ewa.

The greatest destruction of Hawaiian population took place in the summer of 1853, by an invasion of small-pox. This broke out in Honolulu. Rev. A. Bishop immediately procured a supply of vaccine matter, which proved to be spurious. He then proceeded to inoculate the people with small-pox, thus saving hundreds of lives, and himself coming down with varioloid, having formerly been vaccinated. But more than half of the population of Ewa perished in a few weeks. The earliest cases were pathetic. A young woman in Kalauao was visiting in Honolulu, and contracted the malady. She hastened home in terror and summoned her friends and kindred from all the villages of Ewa to bid her farewell. They all came and kissed her, then returned to their homes and all died. The young woman herself recovered. [Bishop 1916:46]

In 1860, Artemas Bishop reported,

The people of the district are rapidly diminishing, and whole neighborhoods where in former years were numerous families and cultivated lands, there are now no inhabitants, and the land is left to run to waste. The fathers have died off, and the children wander into other parts, and there are none to fill their places. [Ewa Station Report 1860]

Sereno Bishop, recollecting his life at the mission station in 'Ewa in the mid-eighteenth century, commented on the population decline: “Throughout the district of Ewa the common people were generally well fed. Owing to the decay of population great breadths of taro marsh had fallen into disuse, and there was a surplus of soil and water for raising food” (Bishop 1916:44).
At Contact, the most populous *ahuapua‘a* on the island was Honouliuli, with the majority of the population centered on Pearl Harbor. In 1832, a missionary census of Honouliuli recorded the population as 1,026. Within four years, the population was down to 870 (Schmitt 1973:19, 22). In 1835, there were eight to ten deaths for every birth (Kelly 1991:157-158). Between 1848 and 1853, there was a series of epidemics of measles, influenza, and whooping cough that often wiped out whole villages. In 1853, the population of ‘Ewa and Wai‘anae combined was 2,451 people. In 1872, it was 1,671 (Schmitt 1968:71). The inland area of ‘Ewa was probably abandoned by the mid-nineteenth century, due to population decline and consolidation of the remaining people in the towns of Honouliuli, Waipahu, and Waiawa.

3.1.9 The Māhele and the Kuleana Act

In 1845, the Board of Commissioners to Quiet Land Titles, also called the Land Commission, was established “for the investigation and final ascertainment or rejection of all claims of private individuals, whether natives or foreigners, to any landed property” (Chinen 1958:8). This led to the Māhele, the division of lands among the king of Hawai‘i, the ali‘i (chiefs), and the common people, which introduced the concept of private property into Hawaiian society. Kamehameha III divided the land into four categories: certain lands to be reserved for the king and the royal house were known as Crown Lands; lands set aside to generate revenue for the government were known as Government Lands; lands claimed by ali‘i and their konohiki (supervisors) were called Konohiki Lands; and habitation and agricultural plots claimed by the common people were called kuleana (Chinen 1958:8-15).

In 1848, the crown and the ali‘i received their land titles, known as Land Commission Awards (LCA). Members of the royal family were awarded entire *ahuapua‘a*, while high-ranking ali‘i were awarded entire ‘ili, and lesser konohiki were awarded half of an ‘ili (Kame‘elehiwa 1992:269, 279). Title to an *ahuapua‘a* or ‘ili typically included ownership of the area’s fishpond and offshore fishing rights (Devaney et al. 1982:143). The lands awarded as Crown Lands and Konohiki Lands, as well as lands designated as Government Lands, were “subject to the rights of native tenants.” The Kuleana Act of 1850 “authorized the Land Commission to award fee simple titles to all native tenants who occupied and improved any portion of Crown, Government, or Konohiki Lands” (Chinen 1958:29). It is through records for Land Commission Awards (LCA) generated during the Māhele that the first specific documentation of life in ‘Ewa, as it had evolved up to the mid-nineteenth century, come to light. There are no LCAs located within or in the vicinity of the current project area.

In 1855 the Land Commission awarded all of the unclaimed lands in Honouliuli, 43,250 acres, to Miriam Ke‘ahikuni Kekau‘ōnohi (Royal Patent #6971 in 1877; Parcel #1069 in the Land Court office), a granddaughter of Kamehameha I, and the heir of Kalanimōkū, who had been given the land by Kamehameha after the conquest of O‘ahu (Indices of Awards 1929; Kame‘elehiwa 1992). Kekau‘ōnohi was also awarded the *ahuapua‘a* of Pu‘uloa, but she sold this land in 1849 to a man named Isaac Montgomery, a British lawyer.

Kekau‘ōnohi was one of Liholiho’s (Kamehameha II’s) wives, and after his death, she lived with her half-brother, Luanu‘u Kahalai‘a, who was governor of Kaau‘i (Hammatt and Shideler 1990:19-20:20). Subsequently, Kekau‘ōnohi ran away with Queen Ka‘ahumanu’s stepson, Keli‘iahonui, and then became the wife of Chief Levi Ha‘alelea. Upon her death on June 2, 1851, all her property was
passed on to her husband and his heirs. A lawsuit (Civil Court Case No. 348) was brought by Ha’alelea in 1858, to reclaim the fishing rights of the Pu’uloa fisheries from Isaac Montgomery, and the court ruled in Ha’aleaea’s favor. In 1863, the owners of the kuleana lands deeded their lands back to Ha’alelea to pay off debts owed to him (Frierson 1972:12). In 1864, Ha’alealea died, and his second wife, Anadelia Amoe, transferred ownership of the land to her sister’s husband, John Coney (Yoklavich et al. 1995:16). [Souza et al. 2006]

3.1.10 Early Ranching

3.1.10.1 Ranching in Lower Honouliuli

In 1871, John Coney rented the lands of Honouliuli to James Dowsett and John Meek, who used the land for cattle grazing. An 1873 map of Honouliuli depicts the project area within undeveloped Honouliuli in relation to Pu’uloa and the West Loch of Pearl Harbor (Figure 6). In 1877, James Campbell purchased most of Honouliuli Ahupua’a—except the ‘ili of Pu’uloa—for a total of $95,000. He then drove off 32,347 head of cattle belonging to Dowsett, Meek, and James Robinson, and constructed a fence around the outer boundary of his property (Bordner and Silva 1983:C-12). He let the land rest for one year and then began to restock the ranch, so that he had 5,500 head after a few years (Dillingham 1885 in Frierson 1972:14).

In 1881, a medical student touring the island to provide smallpox vaccinations to the population viewed Campbell’s property, called the Honouliuli Ranch:

I took a ride over the Honouliuli Ranch which is quite romantic. The soil is a deep, reddish loam, up to the highest peaks, and the country is well-grassed. Springs of water abound. The ‘ilima, which grows in endless quantities on the plains of this ranch, is considered excellent for feeding cattle; beside it grows the indigo plant, whose young shoots are also good fodder, of which the cattle are fond. Beneath these grows the manicizie grass, and Spanish clover and native grasses grow in the open; so there is abundant pasturage of various kinds here. As I rode, to the left were towering mountains and gaping gorges; ahead, undulating plains, and to the right, creeks and indentations from the sea. A wide valley of fertile land extends between the Nuuanau Range and the Waianae Mountains and thence to the coast of Waialua. There are many wild goats in this valley, which are left more or less undisturbed because they kill the growth of mimosa bushes, which would otherwise overrun the country and destroy the pasturage for cattle. [Briggs 1926:62-63]

In 1880-1881, the Honouliuli ranch was described as follows:

Acreage, 43,250, all in pasture, but possessing fertile soils suitable for agriculture; affords grazing for such valuable stock. The length of this estate is no less than 18 miles. It extends to within less than a mile of the sea coast, to the westward of the Pearl River inlet. . . . There are valuable fisheries attached to this estate . . . [Bowser 1880:489]

From Mr. Campbell’s veranda, looking eastward, you have one of the most splendid sights imaginable. Below the house there are two lochs, or lagoons, covered with water fowl, and celebrated for their plentiful supply of fish, chiefly mullet. . . . Besides Mr. Campbell’s residence, which is pleasantly situated and surrounded
Figure 6. 1873 Alexander map of Hōouliuli showing project
with ornamental and shade trees, there are at Honouliuli two churches and a school house, with a little village of native huts. [Bowser 1880:495]

Most of Campbell’s lands in Honouliuli were used exclusively for cattle ranching. At that time, one planter remarked “the country was so dry and full of bottomless cracks and fissures that water would all be lost and irrigation impracticable” (Ewa Plantation Company 1923:6-7). In 1879, Campbell brought in a well-driller from California to search the ‘Ewa plains for water, and the well, drilled to a depth of 240 ft near Campbell’s home in ‘Ewa, resulted in “a sheet of pure water flowing like a dome of glass from all sides of the well casing” (The Legacy of James Campbell n.d. cited in Pagliaro 1987:3). Following this discovery, plantation developers and ranchers drilled numerous wells in search of the valuable resource.

Between the years of 1861 and 1873, parcels of Waiawa were leased to Valdemar Knudsen for use as grazing lands for livestock. A 50-year lease and leaseholds were granted to James Robinson in 1868. After James Robinson’s death in 1890, his son, Mark P. Robinson, acquired a 25-year lease. Overwritten on the lease was the “permission granted to assign the lease to the Oahu Railway and Land Company” (Hawaii Bureau of Land Conveyances 1855-1883:115:496). This lease was subleased from Oahu Railway and Land Company (OR&L) to the Oahu Sugar Company for 43 years on 1 January 1897. It is probable that much of the upper grasslands of H6‘ae‘ae, Waieke, Waipi‘o, and Waiawa were all used for cattle pasture.

3.1.10.2 Ranching in the Uplands of ‘Ewa

Sereno Bishop stated that his father was the first to bring cows to ‘Ewa:

Waiawa valley above us lay knee deep with the richest of grass, where our cows roved. Our goats took to the higher ground, where they flourished, being driven in and penned at night. . . . The herd gradually multiplied and in a few years became large. [Bishop 1916:42]

These herds contributed to the deforestation of the upper valley, as noted by Bishop:

There was a very passable road down Ewa and Waianae way. Once while making the trip down to Waialua, to which there was a good horse trial, I discovered that even at that early day [ca. 1858] that cattle had made great inroads into the forests of ti plants which had heretofore clad the foothills and upland pasturages, even to the highest tracts. [Bishop 1916:60]

Subsequent to Western Contact in the area, the landscape of the ‘Ewa plains was damaged by the removal of the sandalwood forest and the introduction of domesticated animals and new vegetation species. Domesticated animals including goats, sheep and cattle, were brought to the Hawaiian Islands by Vancouver in the early 1790s and allowed to graze freely about the land for some time after. It is unclear when domesticated animals were brought to O‘ahu; however, L.A. Henke reports the existence of a longhorn cattle ranch in Wai‘anae by at least 1840 (Frierson 1972:10). During this same time, perhaps as early as 1790, exotic vegetation species were introduced to the area. These typically included vegetation best suited to a terrain disturbed by the logging of sandalwood forest and eroded by animal grazing. Within the current project area, the majority of the (non-cultivated) vegetation is comprised of introduced species, mainly grasses.
3.1.11 Pineapple Cultivation

In the early decades of the twentieth century, lands in the *mauka* portion of the central and eastern sections of 'Ewa were being acquired for pineapple cultivation. Records show attempted pineapple irrigation utilizing water from shallow wells in Waiau Gulch in 1893. Later attempts were made in Waiau and Honouliuli. James Dole founded the Hawaiian Pineapple Company in 1901. The previous year, Dole had purchased 61 acres of land in Wahiawa for growing pineapple. Prior to 1913, most of the upland plateau areas in Waiau were planted in pineapple (Goodman and Nees 1991:59) and in several 'Ewa *ahuapua'a* small plots along gullies not appropriate for sugar cane cultivation were planted in pineapple. Many of these small plots were cultivated by independent farmers who sold the crops at markets or to larger companies. In 1901, the Hawaiian Pineapple Company obtained 61 acres in Waiau through public auction. Initially, most pineapple was shipped to California for packing. In an attempt to speed up processing, save money, and produce a fresher product, a cannery was constructed in Waiau. This cannery was constructed by the Pearl City Fruit Company but it became a part of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company operations after the Pearl City Fruit Company went bankrupt. The cannery was in operation from 1905 to 1935.

A 1908 lease from the John 'Ītī Estate, Ltd. to Yoshiusuke Tanimoto and Kintaro Izumi led to the formation of the Waipio Pineapple Company, which cleared and cultivated approximately 223 acres in portions of Kipapa Gulch. In 1909, the government appropriated the Waipi'o peninsula from the 'Ītī estate. The land was valued at $10,000 for purposes of fair compensation (Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources 1909:228-235). In 1915, Libby, McNeill & Libby took over Waipio Pineapple Company's leases and continued to cultivate pineapple in the area. By the late 1920s, James Dole's Hawaiian Pineapple Company, incorporated in 1901, was cultivating pineapple on thousands of acres leased from the 'Ītī estate in the *mauka* area of Waipi'o.

Pineapples were handpicked, graded, boxed, and loaded into trucks before the introduction of machinery into the harvesting process. The introduction of the mechanical field fruit harvester in 1947 eliminated the labor-intensive process of grading, boxing, and loading. The pineapple industry employed both male and female Japanese and Filipino workers in the fields and in the cannery. Camps were set up throughout 'Ewa to be used as housing for the workers and their families (Goodman and Ness 1991:165). In the 1920s, pineapple was abandoned and by 1935, much of the former pineapple lands were planted in sugar cane.

3.1.12 Other Agricultural Enterprises

Taro and other traditional plants continued to be cultivated in some areas. John Papa 'Ītī associated Waiau, 'Ewa with the brewing of intoxicants in the early 1800s and gives an account of the making of *`okolehao*, an alcoholic drink made from brewing the roots of the native *ti* plant (*Cordyline fruticosa*).

It was interesting to see how *ti* root was converted into a strong liquor. When the root was boiled on a stove, the liquid came forth like the flowing of sweat from a bud. The hand was wetted with the first drippings and then waved over the flames, when the drippings burned brightly. The first brew was called *loko*, the second *kawai*, and the last *kawai hemo*. ['Ītī 1959:85]
An additional agricultural trial was conducted in the Honouliuli area for the cultivation of sisal, a plant used to make fibers for rope and other material. Some sisal was planted before 1898 and production continued until the 1920s (Frierson 1972:16). This was grown mainly on the coastal plain of Honouliuli in Kānehili, just mauka of Kualaka‘i Beach (now Nimitz Beach). An article in the *Paradise of the Pacific* in 1902 described this venture in glowing terms.

The venture was made and a tract of land containing a large percentage of disintegrated coral, in the neighborhood of Ewa Plantation, where nothing else would grow, was chosen for the planting. . . . The Hawaiian Fiber Co., which Mr. Turner organized, and of which he is now manager, has 755 acres under fence, two and a half miles of which is stone wall with good gates at convenient places. . . . In a large field containing 130 acres, mauka of the Oahu Railway & Land Co. track, the first harvest is to be gathered in a few months. . . . Out of this section of 130 acres the company has figured on securing 50 tons of clean fiber, for which it is offered eight cents per pound in Honolulu or nine cents per pound in San Francisco. (*Paradise of the Pacific* March 1902:17)

As in Honouliuli, the cultivation of sisal was attempted on other arid lands in 'Ewa. Thrum’s *Hawaiian Almanac and Annual* speaks of the prospect of sisal cultivation glowingly from 1904 to 1913, but the greater profits to be made from sugar cane cultivation eventually led to the decline of this industry. Upper Hō‘ae‘ae seems to have been the focus for sisal cultivation in central ‘Ewa, as shown in excerpts from the 1909 and 1913 annuals.

The Hawaiian Fiber Co. increases its capital stock to $150,000, over 500 acres of new planting having been set out on their recently acquired Hoaeae land, and work being pushed to cover the entire tract of some 1,800 acres. [Thrum 1909:167]

New and enlarged machinery for the sisal decorticating mill has been installed at the Pouhala station of the company on the upper Hoaeae lands, with which to care for the fibre product from their enlarging area. Some 1750 acres are now planted out, including the fields of Sisal. [Thrum 1913:170-171]

An attempt to grow cotton was made on “the semi-arid uplands at Kunia and Waipahu” in the early twentieth century, but the enterprise was not profitable (Krause 1911:66).

Besides sisal, cotton, and pineapples, other crops were grown in central ‘Ewa, such as macadamia nuts.

At Hoaeae, in the Ewa district, is another tract of about six acres on the Robinson estate, reported to be in fine condition. . . . Mr. Grant Bailey, manager of the Hoaeae Ranch, kindly furnishes the following data on the infant industry. . . . ‘Our planting is about six acres. Apparently one would have to wait about ten years before expecting commercial results on the planting. Our oldest trees are seven years old and they are just now beginning to bear.’ [Thrum 1927:96]

In spite of these many introduced crops, some Hawaiian families continued to live in ‘Ewa and preserve the traditional lifestyle into the early twentieth century, including at the fishing village of Kualaka‘i in Honouliuli. One resident, Mrs. Eli Williamson, recalled the following:
In the Honolulu area the train stopped among the kiawe (algaraboa) trees and malina (sisal) thickets. We disembarked with the assorted food bundles and water containers. Some of the Kuala’i ‘ohana (family) met us to help carry the ‘ukana (bundles) along a sandstone pathway through the kiawe and malina. The distance to the frame house near the shore seemed long. When we departed our ‘ukana contained fresh lobsters, limu (algae), fish and ‘a malo’o (dried fish) . . . [Williamson in Kelly 1985:160]

3.1.13 History of the Oahu Railway and Land Company (OR&L)

In 1886, Campbell and B.F. Dillingham put together the “Great Land Colonization Scheme,” which was an attempt to sell Honolulu land to homesteaders (Thrum 1887:74). This homestead idea failed; two factors for the failure were the lack of water and the distance from ‘Ewa to Honolulu. The water problem was solved by the drilling of artesian wells, and Dillingham decided that the area could be used instead for large-scale cultivation (Pagliaro 1987:4). The transportation problem was to be solved by the construction of a railroad, which B. Franklin Dillingham soon began to finance under the company name of the Oahu Railway and Land Company (OR&L).

During the last decade of the nineteenth century, the railroad reached from Honolulu to Pearl City in 1890, to Wai‘anae in 1895, to Waialua Plantation in 1898, and to Kahuku in 1899 (Kuykendall 1967:3:100). This railroad line eventually ran across the center of the ‘Ewa Plain at the lower boundary of the sugar fields (Figure 7 and Figure 8). To attract business to his new railroad system, Dillingham subleased all land below 200 ft to William Castle, who in turn sublet the area to the newly formed Ewa Plantation Company (Frierson 1972:15). Dillingham’s Honolulu lands above 200 ft that were suitable for sugar cane cultivation were sublet to the Oahu Sugar Company. Throughout this time, and continuing into modern times, cattle ranching continued in the area, and Honolulu lands—established by Dillingham was—the “fattening” area for the other ranches (Frierson 1972:15).

Operations at the OR&L began to slow down in the 1920s, when electric streetcars were built for public transportation within the city of Honolulu and automobiles began to be used by families for transportation outside the city (Chiddix and Simpson 2004:185). The build-up to World War II turned this decline around, as the U.S. military utilized the OR&L lines to transport materials to build defense projects around the island. Historians have noted that one of the most serious mistakes made by the Japanese in their 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor was their decision not to bomb the railway infrastructure. Soon after the attack, the OR&L operated 24 hours a day, transporting war materials and troops from Honolulu to the new and expanded army, naval, and air bases. The huge navy base at Pearl Harbor had its own rail lines that connected to the OR&L rail lines.

In August 1945 the war ended, and so did OR&L’s heyday as a military transport line.

She had served her country well and proudly during the war, but operating round-the-clock on what little maintenance could be squeezed in, had taken a prodigious hit on the locomotives and track. Traffic stayed steady for a short time, but soon dropped precipitously as soldiers and sailors went home, military posts were shrunk or razed, and civilians could again get tires, gasoline and new cars. [Chiddix and Simpson 2004:257]
Figure 7. 1890 photograph of Pearl Harbor with OR&L railroad tracks along the coast (*Honolulu Advertiser* Archives)
Figure 8. 1899 Beasley map of O‘ahu depicting the OR&L railway corridor and the Ewa Plantation Company fields in relation to the current project area.

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There was no choice but to abandon the OR&L main line and in 1946 Water F. Dillingham, son of B.F. Dillingham, wrote,

The sudden termination of the war with Japan changed not only the character of our transportation, but cut the freight tonnage to a third and the passenger business to a little above the pre-war level. With the increased cost of labor and material and the shrinkage in freight tonnage and passenger travel, it was definite that the road could not be operated as a common carrier. With no prospect of increased tonnage, and the impossibility of increasing rates against truck competition, your management has applied to the Interstate Commerce for authority to abandon its mainline.

[Walter Dillingham in Chiddix and Simpson 2004:257]

After the war, most of the 150+ miles of OR&L track were pried up, locomotives were sold to businesses on the U.S. mainland, and railway cars were scrapped. In 1947, the U.S. Navy took over a section of the OR&L track for their own use to transport bombs, ammunition, and torpedoes from the ammunition magazines at Lualualei, West Loch in Pearl Harbor, and Waikele on OR&L’s Wahiwa Branch to Pearl Harbor Naval Base (Treiber 2005:25-26). The track to Waipahu was abandoned in the 1950s, but the line from the magazines in Lualualei to the wharves in West Loch at Pearl Harbor remained open until 1968.

3.1.14 History of the Sugar Plantations of ‘Ewa

Although sugar cane was already being grown as far back as the early 1800s, the industry revealed its economic potential in 1879 when the first artesian well was drilled in ‘Ewa (Ellis 1995:22). The availability of subsurface water resources enabled greater irrigation possibilities for expanding plantations besides the use of water diversions from the surrounding stream systems. This prompted the drilling of many other wells throughout the Hawaiian Islands, thereby commencing the Hawai‘i sugar plantation era. By the early 1900s, all the main Hawaiian islands had land devoted to the production of sugar cane.

Agricultural field systems, railroads, and residential areas in ‘Ewa were developed by three sugar cane companies: the Ewa Plantation, located largely in the ahupua‘a of Honolulu and Hō‘a‘e‘ae in the western section of ‘Ewa; the Oahu Sugar Company, extending in the areas upland of the Ewa Plantation in central ‘Ewa, including a portion of the uplands of Waiawa; and the Honolulu Plantation Company, with fields extending through Mānana to Hālawa in the eastern section of ‘Ewa.

The Ewa Plantation Company was incorporated in 1890 for sugar cane cultivation (see Figure 8). The first crop, 2,849 tons of sugar, was harvested in 1892 at the Ewa Plantation (Figure 9). Ewa was the first all-artesian plantation, and it gave an impressive demonstration of the part artesian wells were to play in the later history of the Hawaiian sugar industry (Kuykendall 1967:3:69). As a means to generate soil deposition on the coral plain and increase arable land in the lowlands, the Ewa Plantation Company installed ditches running from the lower slopes of the mountain range to the lowlands. When the rainy season began, they plowed ground perpendicular to the slope so that soil would be carried down the drainage ditches into the lower coral plain. After a few years, about 373 acres of coral wasteland were reclaimed in this manner (Irminisch 1964:3). By the 1920s, Ewa Plantation was generating large profits and was the “richest sugar plantation in the world” (Paradise of the Pacific, December 1902:19-22 in Kelly 1985:171).
Figure 9. Ewa Plantation Company sugar cane fields, Filipino Camp area, ca. 1925 (University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa Digital Photograph Collection)
During the twentieth century, the Ewa Plantation continued to grow and by the 1930s, encompassed much of the eastern half of Honouliuli Ahupua’a, including the current project area (Figure 10). This growth impelled the creation of plantation villages to house the growing immigrant labor force working the fields. After the outbreak of World War II, which siphoned off much of the plantation’s manpower, along with the changeover to almost complete reliance on mechanical harvesting in 1938, the plantation no longer supported the large multi-racial (Japanese, Chinese, Okinawan, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, Hawaiian, Filipino, European) labor force that had characterized most of the early history of the plantation. The Oahu Sugar Company took control over the Ewa Plantation lands in 1970 and continued operations until 1995, when they decided to shut down sugar cane production in the combined plantation areas (Dorrance and Morgan 2000:45, 50).

3.1.15 The Military Development of ‘Ewa

Major land use changes came to Honouliuli when the U.S. military began development in the area. Military installations were constructed both near the coast, as well as in the foothills and upland areas. Military development within the Honouliuli area included Barbers Point Military Reservation (a.k.a. Battery Barbers Point from 1937–1944). Located at Barbers Point Beach, it was used beginning in 1921 as a training area for firing 155 mm guns (Payette 2003). Also in the vicinity was Gilbert Military Reservation, used from 1922–1944. Barbers Point Naval Air Station, in operation from 1942 into the 1990s, was the largest and most significant base built in the area. It housed numerous naval and defense organizations, including maritime surveillance and anti-submarine warfare aircraft squadrons, a U.S. Coast Guard Air Station, and components of the U.S. Pacific Fleet. Fort Barrette (a.k.a. Kapolei Military Reservation and Battery Hatch), located atop Pu‘u Kapolei, was in use from 1931 to 1948 for housing four 3-inch (7.6 cm) anti-aircraft batteries (Payette 2003). In the 1950s, the site was used as a NIKE missile base. Palailai Military Reservation, located atop Pu‘u Pālailai in Makakilo, was in service from 1921, housing Battery Palailai and Fire Control Station B (Payette 2003).

In 1932, the U.S. government leased 206 acres from the Campbell Estate to construct a mooring mast to receive the dirigible aircraft, the Akron. The airship was built in 1931 and was the largest helium filled airship in the world at the time. Before it could arrive on O‘ahu, the Akron crashed during flight in a storm. The next landing for a large airship was scheduled to be the Macon. Like the Akron, Macon also crashed in a storm. After the disaster, the Navy scaled back its large dirigible program (Tuggle and Tomonari-Tuggle 1997).

The area remained largely unused until 1940, when the Marine Corps Air Station, Ewa, was constructed on the land. The mooring mast that was never used was refitted by the Marines to be a control tower, which gave the field its name, the Ewa Mooring Mast Field. The mast was finally dismantled in 1942 to make room for additional runway expansions and air support. In 1941, the airfield was relatively sparse—two runways, two hangars, 12 buildings, housing, a mess, and some tents (Department of Navy BRAC PMO 2006). By early 1941, units started to arrive in anticipation of possible war. In October 1941, the Pacific Naval Air Command commissioned a station on Barbers Point, thus making it home to two air stations. Although the Marines had been using Mooring Mast Field as emergency support since 1940, Ewa Marine Corps Air Station was officially established on 1 September 1942 and the Naval Air Station Barbers Point was commissioned on 15 April 1942 (Department of Navy BRAC PMO 2006).
Figure 10. 1939 map of the Ewa Plantation Company depicting the location of the current project area
On 7 December 1941, 49 planes were stationed at Ewa Mooring Mast Field, intended as auxiliary support for Naval Air Station Ford Island. When the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, they also destroyed nearly half the planes stationed at Barbers Point Station. After the attack and with the United States heading to war, Barbers Point became an important area for staging war in the Pacific theater. Base operations intensified and more hangers, quarters, and administrative buildings were constructed. The main mission for the Air Station was to maintain the Naval aircraft and personnel, train personnel, and store and repair aircraft (Tuggle and Tomonari-Tuggle 1997).

Barbers Point Naval Air Station was eventually decommissioned by the Navy in 1998 as part of the large scale base realignment and closure (BRAC) action. The station was turned over to the state of Hawai‘i and renamed Kalaeloa Airport (Department of Navy BRAC PMO 2006).

3.1.16 Residential and Commercial Development in ‘Ewa

Three topographic maps show the extensive changes in commercial and residential development in the twentieth century. On a 1919 U.S. War Department map, the proposed Honouliuli Wastewater Facilities project area crosses mainly through undeveloped sugar cane fields, crossed only by the OR&L railroad and its stations, and the numerous railroad track sections of the Ewa Plantation Company, which extended from the inland fields to the sugar mills (Figure 11). On the 1953 topographic map, the crisscross of railroad tracks is missing, replaced with numerous roads and dense residential neighborhoods at ‘Ewa Villages (Figure 12). The Barbers Point Naval Air Station can also be seen on this map. By 1968, the buildings in the location of the wastewater treatment plant have been removed, most likely due to construction of the plant (Figure 13). On the 1998 topographic map, many of these naval reservation lands have shrunk, replaced by golf courses, large shopping complexes, and new neighborhoods that extend inland (see Figure 1).
Figure 11. U.S. Army War Department Fire Control map, Barbers Point (1919) and Nanakuli (1919) quadrangles, showing the project area
Figure 12. Portion of 1953 Ewa USGS topographic quadrangle, showing project area.
Figure 13. 1968 Ewa USGS 7.5-Minute topographic quadrangle, showing project area.
3.2 Previous Archaeological Research

Previous archaeological studies conducted within a 0.8 km (0.5 mile) radius of the current project area are listed in Table 1 and depicted on Figure 14. Previously recorded historic properties are depicted on Figure 15 and listed in Table 2. A discussion of the projects conducted within and in the immediate vicinity of the project area is listed below.

Table 1. Previous Archaeological Studies in the Vicinity of the Project Area

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<td>Two sites, SIHP #s -3721 and -3722, documented; both sites recommended eligible for National Register</td>
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<td>‘Ewa Gentry</td>
<td>No historic properties recorded; no additional work recommended</td>
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<td>‘Ewa Marina</td>
<td>No cultural features recorded; recommended intensive archaeological survey for Phase I lands</td>
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<td>Hammatt et al. 1990</td>
<td>Archaeological reconnaissance survey</td>
<td>‘Ewa Village</td>
<td>No additional sites documented, ‘Ewa Village Historic District confirmed and recommended eligible for National Register</td>
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<td>Phase I archaeological survey</td>
<td>Barbers Point Naval Air Station</td>
<td>Recorded 274 sites, only seven not recommended for further study</td>
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<td>Determined little likelihood of encountering surface resources, but subsurface resources in form of sinkholes or burials possible</td>
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<td>Archaeological assessment</td>
<td>Ewa Industrial Park, TMK: [1] 9-1-069:003</td>
<td>Identified no historic properties in area adjacent to north and east sides of Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (considered for shafts 1A, 1B, and 1C)</td>
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<td>Hammatt and Shideler 2012</td>
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<td>Coral Sea Rd intersections and Roosevelt Ave at Philippine Sea Rd</td>
<td>No historic properties; monitoring plan recommended due to potential for historic properties</td>
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Figure 14. Previous archaeological investigations in Honouliuli in the vicinity of the Honouliuli WWTP
Figure 15. Previously recorded archaeological sites within a 0.8 km (0.5 mile) radius of the project area.
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3.2.1 Barbers Point (Ewa Marine Corps Air Station and Naval Air Station Barbers Point)  
(Welch 1987; Jones 1993; Tuggle and Tomonari-Tuggle 1997)

In 1987, International Archaeological Research Institute, Inc. (IARI) (Welch 1987) conducted an archaeological reconnaissance at the former Ewa Marine Corps Air Station for a proposed light anti-aircraft missile battalion. Fieldwork included pedestrian survey of the 100-acre project area. Two archaeological sites were recorded, SIHP #s -3721 and -37722. SIHP # -3721 consists of a complex of five traditional Hawaiian features including walls and C-shape shelters. SIHP #3722 consists of a coral wall related to early historic ranching and farming. Both sites were determined eligible for inclusion in the National Register and mitigation in the form of intensive survey and data recovery was recommended.

In 1993, IARI conducted a Phase I archaeological inventory survey of proposed Barbers Point family housing (Jones 1993). A 100% pedestrian survey was conducted of the area. This survey was supplemented with targeted excavations of archaeological features. In total, 274 archaeological features were recorded, with five sites previously recorded by the Bishop Museum confirmed. Of the 247 sites recorded, only seven were recommended as not eligible for the National Register and no further work was recommended.

In 1997, IARI conducted a cultural resource inventory for the Naval Station at Barbers Point (Tuggle and Tomonari-Tuggle 1997). The report is part of a larger inventory of archaeological, paleontological, and paleoenvironmental studies of the area. As a result of the survey, 101 archaeological sites and 107 historic buildings were recommended eligible for the National Register and all were recommended for further work.

3.2.2 ‘Ewa Marina (Hammatt and Shideler 1989)

In 1989, CSH conducted an archaeological and paleontological assessment of the Phase II ‘Ewa Marina Lands in Honouliuli (Hammatt and Shideler 1989). The result of the survey determined that a vast majority of the land had been intensively cultivated for many years. No cultural resources were recorded within Phase II lands, but based on prior recommendations from Davis (1979), it was recommended that the Phase I lands be subjected to intensive survey prior to construction.

3.2.3 ‘Ewa Village (Hammatt et al. 1990; Spear 1996)

In 1990, CSH (Hammatt et al. 1990) conducted an archaeological reconnaissance survey of the 616-acre ‘Ewa Villages project area, which is adjacent to the northern border of the current project area. The project area included three extant plantation villages (Renton Village, Tenney Village, and Varona Village), the sites of three former plantation villages (C Village, Mill Village, and Middle Village), and several other sites associated with the ‘Ewa Plantation infrastructure, (the Plantation Cemetery, the ‘Ewa Japanese School, ‘Ewa Depot, the site of a previous Buddhist temple burned down in World War II, and a former reservoir site), and fields then under sugar cane cultivation. The surface survey of the land found no evidence of any prehistoric features within the project area and concluded that no further archaeological research in association with concerns for Hawaiian prehistory was necessary. However, because of the historic preservation concern ‘Ewa Villages has merited, further documentation of some of the ruined historic sites was recommended.
In 1996, Scientific Consultant Services (Spear 1996) conducted an archaeological survey in an area west of the Tenney and Varona plantation villages and north of the Honouliuli Treatment Plant. No archaeological sites were identified.

The northeast boundary of the project area (outside the fenced area) is the alignment of the OR&L ROW. This railroad bed, from the intersection with Fort Weaver Road to the intersection of Farrington Highway and Lualualei Road in Nānākuli is currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places (Site 50-80-12-9714).

### 3.2.4 ‘Ewa Gentry (Kennedy 1988; Davis 1988; McIntosh and Cleghorn 2003)

In the initial reconnaissance of the 1,016 acre ‘Ewa Gentry survey area (Kennedy 1988), no surface evidence of potentially significant pre-Contact remains was found. The old OR&L railroad bed/ROW (Site 50-80-12-9714) did form a portion of the mauka boundary. According to historic maps, a Filipino Camp for sugar cane workers once existed near the intersection of the OR&L bed and a cane road near Fort Weaver Road, but the archaeologists did not find any surface remains for this camp. A subsequent subsurface exploration was undertaken. Eighteen backhoe trenches were excavated; however, “no evidence of past in situ cultural activity was found anywhere in the ‘Ewa Gentry project area” (Davis 1988). The archaeologists found that soil was only about 1 m deep over a coral substrate, and that their project area was “apparently situated on an ancient upper rim of Hono‘uli‘uli Valley” (Davis 1988:4).

In 2003, Pacific Legacy (McIntosh and Cleghorn 2003) conducted an archaeological survey of the proposed ‘Ewa Gentry Makai Development project area, which is adjacent to the southern (makai) boundary of the ‘Ewa Gentry project area for the 1988 surface and subsurface inventory surveys (Kennedy 1988; Davis 1988). No surface pre-Contact features were noted.

### 3.2.5 North-South H-1 Connection (Hammatt and Chiogioji 1997; Runyon et al. 2011)

In 1997, CSH conducted an archaeological reconnaissance survey of a 8,872 m (20,100 ft) alignment of a proposed connection from ‘Ewa to the H-1 interstate (Hammatt and Chiogioji 1997). No prehistoric or early historic Hawaiian archaeological sites or surface finds were encountered during the archaeological reconnaissance within the project area. Plantation constructions—remnants of flumes and a ditch—and roadways were observed within portions of the corridor that have not been developed since the sugar cane era. No further archaeological investigations were recommended for the entire project area corridor and on-site or on-call monitoring was not justified during future construction activities.

In 2010, CSH conducted archaeological monitoring for the construction of the north-south connection from Kapolei Parkway to the H-1 (Runyon et al. 2010). Ground disturbance included filling, grading, for the new road, trenching for subsurface utilities, excavation of a flood control canal along the eastern side of the roadway, trenching for drainage culverts beneath the roadbed, and the excavation of large drainage basins at the makai end of the project area. No archaeological cultural deposits were identified as a result of the project’s monitoring program. Due to heavy commercial use of the project area and extensive construction work conducted in association with the current project, archaeological monitoring for future projects within the current project area was not recommended.
3.2.6 Ewa Industrial Park (O’Hare et al. 2007)

In 2007, CSH (O’Hare et al. 2007) conducted an assessment of the proposed Ewa Industrial Park. The project area was in a 48.18-acre fenced lot, bound on the north by the ROW along the existing track of the OR&L, which runs parallel to the makai side of Renton Road. The parcel was bound on all other sides by existing properties; a southern dog-leg section extends south to Geiger Road. The western portion of the project area (and a portion of the eastern section) was open, with livestock pastures and paddocks, houses and out-buildings. The central section had been extensively cleared of all vegetation and large rocks; this area was leased to private parties (such as for graduation parties, overnight scout troops, and the bon dance). Everywhere, there are large piles of rocks, trash and beer bottle piles, concrete, piled brush, and other evidence of extreme ground disturbance. No traditional surface Hawaiian features were found, and with the evidence of extreme ground disturbance in mind, it is highly unlikely there are any subsurface Hawaiian features intact. No sinkholes were found. There was also little evidence of post-Contact use by the Ewa Plantation, the OR&L Company, or the military.

3.2.7 Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (O’Hare et al. 2011)

In 2011, CSH (O’Hare et al. 2011) conducted an archaeological literature review and field inspection for various long-term improvements to the wastewater collection and disposal systems for the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant. The project took place in the Honouliuli, Waipahu, and Pearl City areas, within the Honouliuli, Hō‘a‘a‘e, Waikie, Waiawa, Manana, Waimalu, and Hālawa ahupua‘a. Because of the large and expansive project area, various recommendations were made for different areas of the project. For the areas concerning the current project area, it was recommend that on-call monitoring take place. It is noted that the area is of relatively low archaeological concern and has been extensively disturbed by prior infrastructure construction (O’Hare et al. 2011).

3.2.8 Kalaeloa Life Safety Improvements (Hammatt and Shidelner 2012)

In 2012, CSH conducted a field inspection and literature review for the proposed improvements to five separate sections of the Kalaeloa Life Safety Improvements (Hammatt and Shidelner 2012). These five sections include the intersection of Coral Sea Road and Roosevelt Avenue, the intersection of Coral Sea Road and San Jacinto Street, the intersection of Coral Sea Road and Tripoli Street, the intersection of Coral Sea Road and Eisenhower Road, and the intersection of Roosevelt Avenue and Philippine Sea Road (approximately 1 km east of the intersection of Coral Sea Road and Roosevelt Avenue). These study areas are located on the eastern side of the former Barbers Point Naval Air Station. No archaeological sites were recorded during the course of the survey.

3.3 Background Summary and Predictions

The ahupua‘a of Honouliuli is the largest traditional land unit on the island of O‘ahu. Honouliuli includes all the land from the western boundary of Pearl Harbor (West Loch) westward to the ‘Ewa/Wai‘anae District Boundary with the exception of the west side of the harbor entrance, which is in the ahupua‘a of Pu‘u‘ula (the ‘Ewa Beach/Iroquois Point area). This comprises approximately 12 miles of open coastline from One‘ula westward to Pili O Kahe. The ahupua‘a extends makana (almost pie-shaped) from West Loch nearly to Schofield Barracks, and the western boundary is the Wai‘anae Mountain crest running makai to the east ridge of Nānākuli Valley.
Not only is there a long coastline fronting the normally calm waters of leeward O'ahu, but there are also 4 miles of waterfront along West Loch. The land immediately mauka of the Pacific coast consists of a flat karstic raised limestone reef forming a level nearly featureless "desert" plain marked in pre-Contact times (previous to alluviation caused by sugar cultivation) by a thin or non-existent soil mantle. The microtopography is notable for containing countless sinkholes in some areas caused by chemical weathering (dissolution) of the limestone shelf.

Along the eastern flank of the Wai'anae Mountains, numerous gulches have contributed to the alluvial deposits over the coastal limestone shelf. The largest of the gulches is Honouliuli Gulch, which drains into West Loch. The gulches are generally steep-sided in the uplands and generally of a high gradient until they emerge onto the flat 'Ewa plain. The alluvium they have carried has spread out in delta fashion over the mauka portions of the plain, which comprises a dramatic depositional environment at the stream gradient change. These gulches are generally dry, but during seasonal Kona storms carry immense quantities of runoff onto the plain and into the ocean. As typical drainages in arid slopes, they are either raging uncontrollably, or are dry and, as such, do not form stable water sources for traditional agriculture in their upper reaches. The Honouliuli gulches generally do not have valleys suitable for extensive irrigated agriculture; however, this lack is more than compensated for by the rich watered lowlands near West Loch.

In inland areas of concern, including the vicinity of the Honouliuli WWTP, there are no commoner Land Commission Awards and previous archaeological studies in these vicinities have indicated no concerns. The distance from the coast (and generally from fresh water) made these little used areas in the pre-Contact period.

As noted above (Figure 15 and Table 2), all of the previously recorded archaeological sites within a 0.8 km (0.5 mile) radius of the project area are post-contact in origin relating to sugar plantation Infrastructure, the OR&L or mid-twentieth century military activities.

The intensive land disturbance of a century of commercial cane cultivation probably removed most of what little evidence of pre-Contact use there ever was. The archaeological sensitivity of these areas is generally regarded as low.
Section 4  Results of Fieldwork

Fieldwork was accomplished on 24 October 2014 by Trevor Yucha, B.S. and David W. Shideler, M.A. under the general supervision of Principal Investigator, Hallett H. Hammatt, Ph.D. This work required approximately 1 person-day to complete.

4.1 Pedestrian Inspection Results

The northern and eastern relatively undeveloped portions of the project area amounting to an area of 48.18 acres was the subject of an archaeological assessment of the ‘Ewa Industrial Park project, Honouliuli Ahupua’a, ‘Ewa District, O‘ahu (O’Hare et al. 2007) that was reviewed and accepted in an SHPD §6E-42 Historic Preservation Review dated 10 February 2009 (LOG NO.: 2009.0664, DOC NO.: 0902WT22; included here as Appendix A). The present study included a reconnaissance of the O’Hare et al. (2007) project area (Figure 16) but only for the purpose of documenting present conditions.

Presently, the northern and eastern undeveloped portions of the project area are overgrown with kiawe (Prosopis pallida), koa haole (Leucaena leucocephala), and exotic grasses. An unimproved access road extends roughly northwest-southeast within the eastern portion of the project area along the boundary of the current project area (Figure 17). In certain locations, features of the adjacent golf course are present along the access road and adjacent to the project area, including a plastic-lined retention pond and modern roofed structure (Figure 18). At the northermmost point of the project area, the OR&L ROW was observed on the north side of a chain link fence. The OR&L ROW extends along the entirety of the northern project area boundary (Figure 19). The modern agricultural structures noted by O’Hare et al. (2007) were confirmed and observed to be abandoned (Figure 20). These structures are constructed of plastic and wire fencing with plywood walls and cinder block foundations. These structures appear to be modern construction and are not considered historic properties. A modern gravel road was observed west of the agricultural structures extending from the north over the OR&L ROW and into the project area (Figure 21). The modern road appears to access an electrical substation and base yard area (Figure 22). No historic properties were identified within the undeveloped portions of the current project area.

The remaining southwestern portion of the project area including the heavily built-out wastewater treatment plant was subject to 100% pedestrian survey coverage during the current study (Figure 16). The wastewater treatment plant includes office and personnel buildings near the entrance off Geiger Road (Figure 23). Behind these buildings are various tanks, pools, and above-ground piping associated with the wastewater treatment process (Figure 24 and Figure 25). Asphalt paved access roads and parking areas are present throughout the facility. A dry drainage basin was observed on the southwestern corner of the project area (Figure 26). A storage shed with a nearby scatter of modern midden was observed along the western edge of the project area, just outside the treatment plant facilities (Figure 27). The entire facility is surrounded by chain link fence. No historic properties were identified within the wastewater treatment plant portion of the project area.
Figure 17. Overview of an unimproved access road in the eastern portion of the project area, view to northwest

Figure 18. View of portions of the adjacent golf course showing a retention pond and roofed structure, view to east
Figure 19. View of the OR&L ROW from the northernmost corner of the project area, view to north

Figure 20. View of the abandoned modern agricultural structures observed within the northern portion of the project area, view to southeast
Figure 21. View of gravel road extending northwest-southeast within the project area, view to southeast

Figure 22. View of electrical substation along gravel road, view to southeast
Figure 23. View of office or personnel buildings near the plant entrance off Geiger Road, view to northwest

Figure 24. Overview of wastewater treatment plant infrastructure, view to northeast
Figure 25. Overview of wastewater treatment plant infrastructure, view to south

Figure 26. View of dry drainage basin in the southwestern corner of the project area, view to west
Figure 27. View of storage shed with modern midden scatter (‘opihi), view to west
Section 5  Summary

At the request of AECOM Pacific, Inc., CSH completed an archaeological inventory survey, which due to the lack of historic properties is reported as an archaeological assessment, for the Hono'uliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Secondary Treatment and Facility, Hono'uliuli Ahupua'a, 'Ewa District, O'ahu TMK: [1] 9-1-013:007.

The northern and eastern relatively undeveloped portions of the project area amounting to an area of 48.18 acres was the subject of an Archaeological Assessment of the 'Ewa Industrial Park Project, Hono'uliuli Ahupua'a, 'Ewa District, O'ahu Island (O'Hare et al. 2007) that was reviewed and accepted in an SHPD §6E-42 Historic Preservation Review dated 10 February 2009 (LOG NO.: 2009.0664, DOC NO.: 0902WT22; included here as Appendix A).

The fieldwork component of this archaeological inventory survey, which due to the lack of historic properties is reported as an archaeological assessment, was carried out under archaeological research permit number 14-04 issued by the Hawai'i SHPD per HAR §13-13-282. Fieldwork was accomplished on 24 October 2014 by Trevor Yucha, B.S. and David W. Shideler, M.A. under the general supervision of Principal Investigator, Hallett H. Hammatt Ph.D. This work required approximately 1 person-day to complete. Fieldwork included a pedestrian inspection of the entire project area, GPS data collection, and general documentation. No historic properties were identified within the project area.
Section 6  Project Effect and Mitigation Recommendations

6.1 Project Effect

No historic properties were identified within the approximately 100-acre project area. Consequently, CSH’s effect recommendation for the proposed project is “no historic properties affected.”

6.2 Mitigation Recommendations

No historic properties were identified within the current project area. The northern and eastern portions of the project area consist of undeveloped land initially surveyed by O’Hare et al. (2007) and inspected again during the current archaeological inventory survey, which due to the lack of historic properties is reported as an archaeological assessment. The southern portion of the project area has been entirely developed with infrastructure related to the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant. No further cultural resource management work is recommended for the project area.
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Appendix A  SHPD Acceptance of Prior Archaeological Assessment for the North and East Portions of the Project Area

February 10, 2009

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Dear Mr. Shideler:


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Thank you for the opportunity to review this DRAFT Archaeological Assessment (Archaeological Assessment of the ‘Ewa Industrial Park Project, Honō‘ulu‘ili, ‘Ewa District, O‘ahu Island, Hawai‘i. TMK: (1) 9-1-069: 003 [O‘Hare, Shideler and Hamanui PhD, March 2007]). The survey area is 48.18 acres. The proposed project is the construction of an industrial park. No historic properties were recorded.

The initial communication from our office (LOG NO: 2006.3755/DOC NO: 0611amj12) requested some revisions. They included changes in wording in the Scope of Work, a clarification of the distance between crew members during pedestrian survey, an update of Figures 5 and 6, and a discussion on karstic sinkholes. The report was resubmitted and more revisions were requested by Lauren Morawski. These changes are clarification on the need for subsurface testing in the Introduction section; the distance between parallel sweeps in the Methods section; the addition of "View toward" in the captions for two photos, and a sinkhole discussion.

This report is accepted and it meets the minimum requirements for compliance with 6E-8 and Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) §13-13-276 Rules Governing Standards for Archaeological Inventory Studies and Reports.

The complete, finalized report should be free of errors, contain good quality color photographs, color maps and assigned State site numbers. Once this subject archaeological assessment survey report has received final acceptance pursuant to HAR §13-276, please send one hardcopy of the document, clearly marked FINAL, along with a copy of this review letter and a text-searchable PDF version on CD to the attention of Wendy Tolleson “SHPD Library” at the Kapolei SHPD office.

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Please call Wendy Tolleson at (808) 692-8024 if there are any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Aloha,

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State Historic Preservation Officer
Cultural Impact Assessment for the Honouliuli/Waipahu/Pearl City Wastewater Facilities, Honouliuli, Hōʻaeʻae, Waikele, Waipiʻo, Waiawa, and Mānana, and Hālawa Ahupuaʻa, ‘Ewa District, Oʻahu Island

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A Note about Hawaiian and other non-English Words:

Cultural Surveys Hawai‘i (CSH) recognizes that the Hawaiian language is an official language of the State of Hawai‘i, it is important to daily life, and using it is essential to conveying a sense of place and identity. In consideration of a broad range of readers, CSH follows the conventional use of italics to identify and highlight all non-English (i.e., Hawaiian and foreign language) words in this report unless citing from a previous document that does not italicize them. CSH parenthetically translates or defines in the text the non-English words at first mention, and the commonly-used non-English words and their translations are also listed in the Glossary of Hawaiian Words (Appendix A) for reference. However, translations of Hawaiian and other non-English words for plants and animals mentioned by community participants are referenced separately (see explanation below).

A Note about Plant and Animal Names:

When community participants mention specific plants and animals by Hawaiian, other non-English, or common names, CSH provides their possible scientific names (Genus and species) in the Common and Scientific Names of Plants and Animals Mentioned by Community Participants (Appendix B). CSH derives these possible names from authoritative sources, but since the community participants only name the organisms and do not taxonomically identify them, CSH cannot positively ascertain their scientific identifications. CSH does not attempt in this report to verify the possible scientific names of plants and animals in previously published documents; however, citations of previously published works that include both common and scientific names of plants and animals appear as in the original texts.
# Management Summary

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<td>The study area includes areas with current wastewater flows to the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant, as well as potential future flows from areas including but not limited to Hālawa, ʻAiea, Pearl City, Waipio, Waikele, Waipahu, ʻEwa, Kapolei, and Mililani.</td>
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<td>The Project requires compliance with the State of Hawaiʻi environmental review process (Hawaiʻi Revised Statutes [HRS] Chapter 343), which requires consideration of a proposed Project’s effect on cultural practices and resources. At the request of AECOM and the City and County of Honolulu, CSH is conducting this draft CIA. Through document research and ongoing cultural consultation efforts, this report provides preliminary information pertinent to the assessment of the proposed Projects’ impacts to cultural practices and resources (per the Office of Environmental Quality Control’s Guidelines for Assessing Cultural Impacts) which may include Traditional Cultural Properties (TCP) of ongoing cultural significance.</td>
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that may be eligible for inclusion on the State Register of Historic Places, in accordance with Hawai‘i State Historic Preservation Statute (Chapter 6E) guidelines for significance criteria (HAR §13-284) under Criterion E. The document is intended to support the Project’s environmental review and may also serve to support the Project’s historic preservation review under HRS Chapter 6E-42 and Hawai‘i Administrative Rules (HAR) Chapter 13-284.

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1. The Project area traverses through 12 of the 13 ahupua‘a (land division usually extending from the uplands to the sea) located in the ‘Ewa District. They are (from west to east) Honolulu, Hō‘ae‘ae, Waikele, Waipio, Waiau, Mānana, Waianae, Wai‘ula, Waialua, Kalakaua, ‘Aiea, and Hālawa. Pu‘u‘ula Ahupua‘a, located on the western portion of the Pearl Harbor entryway, is the only ahupua‘a in the ‘Ewa District that is not located in the Project area.

2. The ‘Ewa District had more fishponds than any other district on O‘ahu, indicating that agricultural and aquacultural intensification was a direct link to the chiefs who resided there and to the increasing needs of the population. The Project area traverses at least nine former fishponds.

3. According to an account in the Hawaiian newspaper Ka Loea Kālai‘aina (June 10, 1899), several of the fishponds in the Pu‘u‘ula area were made by the brother gods, Kane and Kanaloa. A fisherman living in Pu‘u‘ula, named Hanakahì, prayed to unknown gods, until one day two men came to his house. They revealed to him that they were the gods to whom he should pray. Kane and Kanaloa then built fishponds at Ke‘anapua‘a, but were not satisfied. Then they built the fishpond, Kepo‘okalana, but were still not satisfied. Finally they made the pond Kapākule, which they stocked with all manner of fish. They gifted all of these fishponds to Hanakahì and his descendants (Handy and Handy 1972:473; Ka Loea Kālai‘aina).
July 8, 1899).

4. ‘Ewa was famous for the many limestone caves, also known as the “Caves of Honouliuli,” formed in the uplifted coral, called the “Ewa Karst.” This Pleistocene limestone outcrop, where not covered by alluvium or stockpiled material, has characteristic dissolution “pit caves” (Myroic and Carew 1995), which are nearly universally, but erroneously, referred to as “sink holes” (Halliday 2005).

5. A famous cave of Hālawa was Keanapua'a, opposite Waipi'o Peninsula, which means “the pig’s cave,” so named because Kamanapua'a (Hawaiian demi-god known as the pig god) once slept there (Pukui et al. 1974:103). This cave was one of the places that the high king of O'ahu, Kahahana, hid after he had killed the priest Ka'opulupulu, thus angering the high chief of Maui, Kahekili.

6. Oral tradition tells of Hālawa as the home of Papa, where she lived in the uplands with her parents, Kahakukakoko and Kūkalan'i'e'hu. Papa is known for her generative role as the “earth mother”. Together with her husband, Wākea, they are the progenitors of the Hawaiian race.

7. The heiau (place of worship, shrine) of Kea'iwa in ‘Aiea was the site of a medicinal herb garden and training area for traditional healers.

8. The eastern section of ‘Ewa was largely developed by the Honolulu Plantation Company. Commercial sugar cane cultivation began in Waimalu and Hālawa in the 1850s, on the estate of Mr. J.R. Williams (Condé and Best 1973:327). The plantation was first known as the Honolulu Sugar Company.

9. In 1852, the first Chinese contract laborers arrived in the Hawaiian Islands, many of which worked in the former rice fields and fishponds of Honouliuli (Char and Char 1988:176). Contracts were for five years, and pay was $3 a month plus room and board. Upon completion of their contracts, a number of the immigrants remained in the islands, many becoming merchants or rice farmers.

10. In 1897, B. F. Dillingham established the Oahu Sugar Company (OSC) on 12,000 acres leased from the estates of John Papa 'Ī'ī, Bishop, and Robinson. The coastal portions of this leased land overlapped the the current Project area. The Oahu Sugar Co. had over 900 field workers, composed of 44 Hawaiians, 473 Japanese, 399 Chinese, and 57 Portuguese. The first sugar crop was harvested in 1899, ushering in the sugar
plantation era in Waipahu (Ohira 1997).

11. The U.S. Navy began a preliminary dredging program for Pearl Harbor in 1901, which created a 30-foot deep entrance channel measuring 200 ft wide and 3,085 ft long. In 1908, money was appropriated for five miles of entrance channel dredged to an additional 35 ft down (Downes 1953).

12. In 1909, the government appropriated the entire Waipl'ō peninsula from the 'Īlī Estate for the Pearl Harbor Naval Station and Shipyard. Additional dredging to deepen and widen the channel was conducted in the 1920s.

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CSH attempted to contact 44 community members (government agency or community organization representatives, or individuals such as residents and cultural practitioners) for this draft CIA report; of those, seven responded and five participated in formal interviews for more in-depth contributions to the CIA. Presented below are salient themes and concerns that emerged from participants’ interviews regarding the proposed Project:

1. Mr. Tin Hu Young describes the area of Pearl Harbor during his youth as a “bread basket” of food. He recalls an abundance of mullet, clams, bananas, taro and other varieties of food in his neighborhood for subsistence.

2. Mr. Kāne’s mother tells of lo'i kalo (irrigated terraces of taro) in the Waipl'ō Peninsula area. His father gathered oysters, clams, crab and limu (see Appendix B for common and scientific plant and animal names mentioned by community participants) from the waters of Pearl Harbor.

3. Mr. Young states that after the December 7, 1941 bombing of Pearl Harbor, the U.S. military set up a camp at the Pearl City Tavern bar on Farrington Highway in Pearl City, which included searchlights to look for enemy airplanes.

4. In his youth, Dr. Stagner hiked the mauka (towards the mountain) regions in 'Ewa with his Boy Scout troop and discovered several petroglyphs and heiau. Dr. Stagner explained that there had been an influenza epidemic in the 1920s and many Hawaiians were buried in the mauka area, which was abandoned and eventually taken over by the 'Aiea Sugar Mill. Many of the plantation workers moved rocks, not knowing the cultural significance of the rocks that could have been associated with Hawaiian burials or other cultural sites.

5. Dr. Stagner believes 'Ewa’s most important feature is its watershed. This fact is highlighted by the naming of the...
ahupua'a with the term wai (fresh water of any kind), including Waiawa, Waiao, Waikelo, and Waipahu. Mirroring the ahupua'a boundaries, water flows from the Ko'olau mountains down to the waters of Pu'uloa throughout a network of streams and an underwater system of tunnels. These contribute heavily to the Hālawa Aquifer, which now supplies the majority of the drinking water for the island of O'ahu.

6. Dr. Stagner's main concern is the management of the 'Ewa watershed. The kūpuna (elders) from his youth told him that the upland regions must be conserved to prevent excessive runoff and lowland flooding. Historically, surplus water was channeled toward the 'Ewa plain. Dr. Stagner advocates protecting agricultural and conservation lands of Waiawa in particular, as they are the most vulnerable to future development.

7. Mr. Kane states that the "cultural layer" that includes archaeological features of 'Ewa still exists today; however, it has been buried or filled in by the Navy and the Department of Defense.

8. Mr. Kalahiki is concerned that the water tables below surface of the Project area may be adversely impacted during the boring/excavating phase of construction.

9. Mr. Young is concerned that potential future flooding in the lowland areas of 'Ewa may cause the proposed Project's sewer system to backup and spill into Pearl Harbor.

10. Mr. Kane feels that the likelihood of inadvertent burials at the points of deep excavation is low and that the cultural layers will not be disturbed during construction phases of this Project.

### Cultural Impacts and Recommendations

Based on information gathered from the community consultation effort as well as archaeological and archival research presented in this report, the evidence indicates that the proposed Project may have minimal impact on potential burials and other cultural sites within the Project area due to underground tunneling and boring at depths below known cultural sites. However, concerns raised by community participants include protection of water tables in the area and possible sewer backups due to flooding the lower areas of 'Ewa. A good faith effort to address the following recommendations would help mitigate potentially adverse effects the proposed Project may have on Hawaiian cultural practices, beliefs and resources in and near the Project area:

1. The Project may have a direct impact on as-yet undiscovered burials located in subsurface contexts along the Project area.
Personnel involved in development activities of the Project should be informed of the possibility of inadvertent cultural finds, including human remains. Should cultural and/or burial sites be identified during ground disturbance, all work should immediately cease, and the appropriate agencies notified pursuant to applicable law.

2. In the event of discoveries of *iwi kāpuna* (ancestral bone remains) during Project construction activities, recognized cultural and lineal descendants should be notified and consulted on matters of burial treatment.

3. Hydrological studies should be conducted prior to excavation/underground boring begins to prevent damage to aquifers and water tables in the proposed Project area.

4. Flooding concerns should be addressed in the lower areas of the ʻEwa District to prevent sewer backups of the proposed Project’s new sewer system.

5. Archaeological monitoring should be conducted during ground-disturbance activities that affect layers likely to contain burials and/or cultural layers.
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Section 1  Introduction

1.1 Project Background

At the request of AECOM Pacific, Inc., Cultural Surveys Hawai‘i, Inc. (CSH) has prepared this Cultural Impact Assessment (CIA) for the proposed Honouliuli/Waipahu/Pearl City Wastewater Facilities Project, ‘Ewa District, O‘ahu Island. The Project area is shown on a U. S. Geological Survey map (Figure 1), on a U.S. Geological Survey aerial photograph (Figure 2), on an existing wastewater facilities map (Figure 3), on a planned (showing alternate tunnels) wastewater facilities map (Figure 4), and on Hawai‘i tax maps Plats [1] 9-1, 9-4, 9-6, 9-7, 9-8, and 9-9 (Figure 5 to Figure 7). The West Mamala Bay Facilities Plan Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) describes the Project:

The proposed action consists of various long-term improvements to the wastewater collection, treatment and disposal system for the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant service area. The purpose of the proposed improvements, including alternative collection system improvement is to accommodate wastewater flows Project through 2020. (Wilson Okamoto & Associates 2000:S-1)

AECOM Pacific, Inc. describes their involvement in the Project:

The City & County of Honolulu (CCH) Department of Environmental Services (ENV) is in the process of updating three wastewater facilities plans: Honouliuli, Kailua-Kaneohe and Sand Island. AECOM has been contracted to prepare the Honouliuli/Waipahu/Pearl City Facilities Plan and is preparing a preliminary engineering report (Pukui & Elbert 1986R) as part of the facilities plan. The Honouliuli/Waipahu/Pearl City Wastewater Facilities Plan is an update to the existing West Mamala Bay Facilities Plan (2001). The Pukui & Elbert 1986R will provide engineering planning for the sanitary sewer system served by the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (HNWWTP). The study encompasses the Honouliuli sewershed (study area) from West Beach to Hālawa. (AECOM 2010:5)

The Project area includes areas from which current wastewater flows to the HNWWTP as well as potential future flows from areas in the ahupua‘a (land division usually extending from the uplands to the sea) of Honouliuli, Pu‘uloa, Hō‘ae‘ae, Waileke, Waipō‘o, Waiawa, Manana, Waimano, Waiaku, Waimalu, Kaluaau, ‘Aiea, and Hālawa.
Figure 1. U.S. Geological Survey map (1998 ‘Ewa Quadrangle; 1999 Waipahu Quadrangle; 1999 Pearl Harbor Quadrangle) showing alternate new wastewater tunnels and facilities.

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The main facilities that this study will focus on are the Hālawa Wastewater Pump Station (WWPS), Waimalu WWPS, Pearl City WWPS, Waipahu WWPS, Honouliuli Influent Pump Station and Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The construction of the improvements will involve grading, excavation and trenching; however, many of the above ground facilities are in developed areas or are underground facilities (AECOM 2010:14). The Honouliuli/Waipahu/Pearl City facilities are listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Honouliuli/Waipahu/Pearl City Wastewater Facilities

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1.2 Scope of Work

The scope of work for this CIA includes:

1. Examination of cultural and historical resources, including Land Commission documents, historic maps, and previous research reports, with the specific purpose of identifying traditional Hawaiian activities including gathering of plant, animal, and other resources or agricultural pursuits as may be indicated in the historic record.

2. Review of previous archaeological work at and near the subject parcel that may be relevant to reconstructions of traditional land use activities; and to the identification and description of cultural resources, practices, and beliefs associated with the parcel.

3. Consultation and interviews with knowledgeable parties regarding cultural and natural resources and practices at or near the parcel; present and past uses of the parcel; and/or other practices, uses, or traditions associated with the parcel and environs.

4. Preparation of a report that summarizes the results of these research activities and provides recommendations based on findings.

1.3 Environmental Setting

1.3.1 Natural Environment near the Alternate Wastewater Tunnels and Facilities

The western section of the Project area extends through the ‘Ewa Plain, the central section of Honouliuli Ahupua’a, and Hō‘ae‘ae Ahupua’a. The ‘Ewa Plain is a Pleistocene (>38,000 years old) reef platform overlain by alluvium. The terrain consists of limestone and alluvial deposits, which overlie flows of the Wai‘anae volcanic series (MacDonald et al. 1983:423). In pre-Contact Hawai‘i, this Project section would have been covered by lowland dry shrub and grassland, but this area has been extensively disturbed and transformed by human activity; it is now dominated by a variety of exotic grasses, weeds, and shrubs. Elevations within the Honouliuli section vary between approximately 20 and 80 ft, and the area receives an average of 24 inches of rain annually (Giambelluca et al. 1986). The only major stream running through this western section phase is Honouliuli Stream.

The eastern section of the Project area is between 0.4 and 1.2 miles inland of the West and Middle Lochs of Pearl Harbor. Terrain is fairly level with elevations between 20 and 40 ft above sea level, rising to 100 to 200 ft above sea level toward the eastern end. The eastern section receives an average of 24 to 31 inches of annual rainfall (Giambelluca et al. 1986). There are six perennial streams in this section, Waikele, Waiawa, Waimalu, Kālāuau, ‘Aiea, and Hālawa Stream. Three smaller, non-perennial streams intersect this section: Hō‘ae‘ae Stream at the ‘Ewa end and Kapakahi and Makalena Streams between West and Middle Lochs. These streams drain a “large expanse of lateritic soils of fine particle size (and therefore) the water would have appeared muddy in prehistoric times even during periods of normal flow” (Hammatt and Borthwick 1988).

According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) soil survey data (Foote et al. 1972), sediments near the alternate wastewater facilities and tunnels, listed in Table 2 and shown on Figure 8 and Figure 9 are soils of the ‘Ewa (EmA and EmB), Helemano (HLMG),

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Hanalei (HnB), Honouliuli (HxA and HxB), Kawaihapa (KIA), Keauu (KmbA), Molokai (MuB and MuC), Pearl Harbor (PH), TR (Tropaquepts), and Waipahu Series (WzA, WzB, and WzC). Additional symbols on the soils maps are Fd (Fill Land), FL (Fill Land, Mixed), and W (Water).

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<td>'Ewa Silty Clay Loam, moderately shallow, 6-12 Percent Slopes</td>
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<td>MuB</td>
<td>Molokai Silty Clay Loam, 3 to 7 Percent Slopes</td>
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<td>MuC</td>
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<td>Pearl Harbor Clay</td>
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The ‘Ewa series (EmA and EmB) consists of deep, well-drained soils that formed in alluvium weathered from basaltic rock. They are found on alluvial fans and terraces and have slopes of 0 to 12 percent. The soils were formerly used for sugar cane cultivation and for pasture. Common vegetation is kiawe (Prospis pallida), klu (Acacia farnesiana), koa haole (Leucaena glauca), fingergrass (Chloris sp.), and bristly foxtail (Setaria verticillata) (Foote et al. 1972).

Fill Land (Fd and FL) consists of areas filled with material from dredging, excavation from adjacent uplands, garbage, and trash from sugar mills. This material is generally dumped in low-lying areas of coastal flats, coral sand, coral limestone, or areas of shallow soil over bedrock. The soil is used for pasture or for urban development (Foote et al. 1972).

The Hanalei series (HnB) consists of somewhat poorly drained to poorly drained soils that formed in alluvium derived from basic igneous rock. Hanalei soils are on bottom lands and have slopes of zero to six percent. Most of the soils are used for taro and vegetable cultivation and for pasture. Common vegetation is Java plum (Eugenia cumini), sensitive plant (Mimosa pudica), honohono (Commelina diffusa), and California grass (Panicum purpurascens) (Foote et al. 1972).

The Helemano series (HLMG) consists of very deep, well drained soils that formed in alluvium from basic igneous rock. They are found on gulch sides with slopes of 30 to 90 percent. The soils are used mainly for pasture and woodland. Common vegetation is koa haole, Formosa koa (Acacia confusa), Java plum (Syzygium cumini), guava (Psidium guajavana), Christmas berry (Schinus terebinthifolius), and Bermuda grass (Cynodon dactylon) (Foote et al. 1972).

The Honoululi series (HxA and HxB) consists of deep, well drained soils that formed in alluvium weathered from basic igneous rock. They are found on lowlands and have slopes of zero to six percent. The soils were once used primarily for irrigated sugar cane, and are now used for truck crops, orchards, and pasture. Common vegetation is kiawe, klu, koa haole, sensitive plant, bristly foxtail (Setaria verticillata), fingergrass (Chloris sp.), and Bermuda grass (Foote et al. 1972).

The Kaloko Series (Kfb) consists of poorly drained soils that formed in alluvium underlain with marly lagoon sediments. They are found on coastal plains from one to 20 ft in elevation. The soils were used to cultivate sugarcane.

The Kawaihapaui series (KIA) consists of well-drained soils that formed from alluvium derived from basic igneous rock in humid uplands. They are in drainageways and on alluvial fans on the coastal plains and have slopes of zero to 15 percent. The soils were used for sugar cane, truck crops, and pasture. Common vegetation is guava, kiawe, koa haole, lantana (Lantana camara), bristly foxtail, Bermuda grass, and feather fingergrass (Chloris virgata) (Foote et al. 1972).

The Kcaau series (KmBA) consists of deep, poorly drained soils that formed in alluvium weathered from basic igneous rock. They are on coastal plains and have slopes of zero to six percent. All of the soil was once cultivated in sugar cane (Foote et al. 1972).
The Makalapa series (MdB) consists of moderately deep, well-drained soils that formed in material weathered from volcanic tuff. They are found in uplands at slopes of two to 20 percent. These soils areas have been used for military reservations, urban development, and pasture. Common vegetation is *kiawe*, *koa-haole*, lantana, dwarf koa (*Acacia koaia*), fingergrass, and bermudagrass.

The Mamala series (MnC) consists of shallow, well-drained soils that formed from alluvium deposited over coral limestone and consolidated calcareous sands. They are found on coastal plains at slopes of zero to 12 percent. The soils were used for the cultivation of truck crops and irrigated sugarcane, and for pasture. Common vegetation is *kiawe*, *koa-haole*, *klu*, bristly foxtail, and fingergrass.

The Molokai series (MuB and MuC) consists of very deep, well-drained soils that formed in material weathered from basic igneous rock. They are found on uplands and have slopes of zero to 25 percent. The soils were used for the pineapple cultivation, irrigated sugar cane and pasture. Common vegetation is *kiawe*, lantana, *ʻilima* (*Sida cordifolia*), pitted beardgrass (*Bothriochloa barbinodis perforatus*), feather fingergrass, and buffelgrass (*Cenchrus ciliaris*) (Foote et al. 1972).

The Pearl Harbor series (PH) consists of deep, very poorly drained soils that formed in alluvium worked from material weathered from basic igneous rock and deposited over and mixed with muck. They are found on coastal flats and have slopes of zero to 2 percent. Most of this soil area is now urbanized or in pasture, but some is used for taro, bananas, and sugar cane cultivation. Common vegetation is panicum, sedges, cattails, and mangrove trees (Foote et al. 1972).

Tropaquepts (TR) are poorly-drained soils that are periodically flooded by irrigation in order to grow crops that thrive in water. They occur as nearly level flood plains on the islands of Oahu and Maui. Elevations range from sea level to 200 ft. Tropaquepts are used for production of taro, rice, and watercress on flooded paddies.

The Waipahu series (WzA, WzB, and WzC) consists of deep, well drained soils that formed in old alluvium weathered from basic igneous rock. They are on dissected terraces and have slopes of zero to 12 percent. The soils are now used mainly for urban development, with some areas once used for irrigated sugar cane (Foote et al. 1972).

1.3.2 Built Environment near the Alternate Wastewater Tunnels and Facilities

The alternate tunnels generally follow or parallel major roads in the ʻEwa District, such as the north/south Fort Weaver Road in Honolulu and the east-west Farrington High along the northern shores of Pearl Harbor. As these are major thoroughways, the areas adjacent to the roads are densely developed, with residential neighborhoods, large shopping complexes, hospitals and schools, office buildings, military installations, and other structures/areas.
Figure 8. Soils map of Western 'Ewa, overlain on 1998-99 U.S. Geological Survey map, Honolulu Quadrangle (Soil maps from Foote et al. 1972)

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Figure 9. Soils map of Eastern 'Ewa, overlain on 1998-99 U.S. Geological Survey map, Honolulu Quadrangle (Soil Maps from Foote et al. 1972)
Section 2  Methods

2.1 Archival Research

Historical documents, maps and existing archaeological information pertaining to Honolulu, Hōʻaeʻae, Waikiki, Waipiʻo, Waiau, Mānana, and Hālawa Ahupuaʻa, ‘Ewa District, and the Project area vicinity were researched at the CSH library and other archives including the University of Hawaiʻi at Mānoa’s Hamilton Library, the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) library, the Hawaiʻi State Archives, the State Land Survey Division, and the archives of the Bishop Museum. Previous archaeological reports for the area were reviewed, as were historic maps and photographs and primary and secondary historical sources. Information on Land Commission Awards (LCAs) was accessed through Waihona ‘Aina Corporation’s Māhele Data Base (www.waihona.com) as well as a selection of CSH library references.

The definitive source for Hawaiian place names is Pukui et al.’s (1974) Place Names of Hawai‘i, but additional place-name translations and interpretations were also gleaned from Soehren’s “Hawaiian Place Names” database on the internet (http://www.ulukau.org), historical maps. Land Commission documents available at the Hawai‘i State Archives or on the internet at www.waihona.com, and from other place-name texts such as Clark (1977) and Thrum (1922). Some place names in this report—discussed in the next section—were also gathered from U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-Minute Series topographic maps.

For cultural studies, research for the Wahi Pana section centered on Hawaiian activities including: religious and ceremonial knowledge and practices; traditional subsistence land use and settlement patterns; gathering practices and agricultural pursuits; as well as Hawaiian place names and mo ʻolelo (story, tale, myth), mele (songs), oli (chants), ʻolelo noʻeau (proverbs) and more. For the Historical Background section research focused on land transformation, development and population changes beginning in the early post-European Contact era to the present day (see Scope of Work above).

2.2 Community Consultation

2.2.1 Sampling and Recruitment

A combination of qualitative methods, including purposive, snowball, and expert (or judgment) sampling, were used to identify and invite potential participants to the study. These methods are used for intensive case studies, such as CIAs, to recruit people that are hard to identify, or are members of elite groups (Bernard 2006:190). Our purpose is not to establish a representative or random sample. It is to “identify specific groups of people who either possess characteristics or live in circumstances relevant to the social phenomenon being studied….This approach to sampling allows the researcher deliberately to include a wide range of types of informants and also to select key informants with access to important sources of knowledge” (Mays and Pope 1995:110).

We began with purposive sampling informed by referrals from known specialists and relevant agencies. For example, we contacted the SHPD, OHA, OIBC, and community and cultural
organizations in and around Hōʻaeʻae, Waikoloa, Waiʻauma, Mānana, and Hālawa Ahupuaʻa, for their brief response/review of the Project and to identify potentially knowledgeable individuals with cultural expertise and/or knowledge of the Project area and vicinity, cultural and lineal descendants, and other appropriate community representatives and members. Based on their in-depth knowledge and experiences, these key respondents then referred CSH to additional potential participants who were added to the pool of invited participants. This is snowball sampling, a chain referral method that entails asking a few key individuals (including agency and organization representatives) to provide their comments and referrals to other locally recognized experts or stakeholders who would be likely candidates for the study (Bernard 2006:192). CSH also employs expert or judgment sampling which involves assembling a group of people with recognized experience and expertise in a specific area (Bernard 2006:189–191). CSH maintains a database that draws on over two decades of established relationships with community consultants: cultural practitioners and specialists, community representatives and cultural and lineal descendants. The names of new potential contacts were also provided by colleagues at CSH and from the researchers’ familiarity with people who live in or around the Project area. Researchers often attend public forums (e.g., Neighborhood Board, Burial Council and Civic Club meetings) in or near the Project area to scope for participants. Please refer to Table 3, Section 6, for a complete list of individuals and organizations contacted for this CIA.

CSH focuses on obtaining in-depth information with a high level of validity from a targeted group of relevant stakeholders and local experts. Our qualitative methods do not aim to survey an entire population or subgroup. A depth of understanding about complex issues cannot be gained through comprehensive surveying. Our qualitative methodologies do not include quantitative (statistical) analyses, yet they are recognized as rigorous and thorough. Bernard (2006:25) describes the qualitative methods as “a kind of measurement, an integral part of the complex whole that comprises scientific research.” Depending on the size and complexity of the Project, CSH reports include in-depth contributions from about one-third of all participating respondents. Typically this means three to 12 interviews.

### 2.2.2 Informed Consent Protocol

An informed consent process was conducted as follows: (1) before beginning the interview the CSH researcher explained to the participant how the consent process works, the Project purpose, the intent of the study and how his/her information will be used; (2) the researcher gave him/her a copy of the Authorization and Release Form to read and sign (Appendix C); (3) if the person agreed to participate by way of signing the consent form or by providing oral consent, the researcher started the interview; (4) the interviewee received a copy of the Authorization and Release Form for his/her records, while the original is stored at CSH; (5) after the interview was summarized at CSH (and possibly transcribed in full), the study participant was afforded an opportunity to review the interview notes (or transcription) and summary and to make any corrections, deletions or additions to the substance of their testimony/oral history interview; this was accomplished primarily via phone, post or email follow-up and secondarily by in-person visits; (6) participants received the final approved interview, photographs and the audio-recording and/or transcripts their interview if it was recorded. They were also given information

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on how to view the draft report on the OEQC website and offered a hardcopy of the report once the report is a public document.

2.2.3 Interview Techniques

To assist in discussion of natural and cultural resources and cultural practices specific to the Project area, CSH initiated “talk story” sessions with (unstructured and semi-structured interviews as described by Bernard 2006) asking questions from the following broad categories: gathering practices and resources, burials, trails, historic properties and wahi pana (storiéd place). The interview protocol is tailored to the specific natural and cultural features of the landscape in the Project area identified through archival research and community consultation. These interviews and oral histories supplement and provide depth to consultations from government agencies and community organizations that may provide brief responses, reviews and/or referrals gathered via phone, email and occasionally face-to-face commentary.

2.2.3.1 In-depth Interviews and Oral Histories

Interviews were conducted initially at a place of the study participant’s choosing (usually at the participant’s home or at a public meeting place) and/or—whenever feasible—during site visits to the Project area. Generally, CSH’s preference is to interview a participant individually or in small groups (two–four); occasionally participants are interviewed in focus groups (six–eight). Following the consent protocol outlined above, interviews may be recorded on tape or a digital audio device and in handwritten notes, and the participant photographed. The interview typically lasts one to four hours, and records the “who, what, when and where” of the interview. In addition to questions outlined above, the interviewee is asked to provided biographical information (e.g., connection to the Project area, genealogy, professional and volunteer affiliations, etc.).

2.3 Compensation and Contributions to Community

Many individuals and communities have generously worked with CSH over the years to identify and document the rich natural and cultural resources of these islands for cultural impact, ethno–historical and, more recently, TCP studies. CSH makes every effort to provide some form of compensation to individuals and communities who contribute to cultural studies. This is done in a variety of ways: individual interview participants are compensated for their time in the form of a small honorarium and/or other makana (gift); community organization representatives (who may not be allowed to receive a gift) are asked if they would like a donation to a Hawaiian charter school or nonprofit of their choice to be made anonymously or in the name of the individual or organization participating in the study; contributors are provided their transcripts, interview summaries, photographs and—when possible—a copy of the CIA report; CSH is working to identify a public repository for all cultural studies that will allow easy access to current and past reports; CSH staff do volunteer work for community initiatives that serve to preserve and protect historic and cultural resources (for example in, Lāna‘i, Waimānalo, and Kahoʻolawe). Generally our goal is to provide educational opportunities to students through internships, share our knowledge of historic preservation and cultural resources and the State and Federal laws that guide the historic preservation process, and through involvement in an ongoing
working group of public and private stakeholders collaborating to improve and strengthen the Chapter 343 environmental review process.
Section 3  Wahi Pana (Place Names) of ‘Ewa

Hawaiians recognize several land divisions in varying scales, including the moku (district), the kalana (smaller land division than a moku), the ahupua’a, and the ‘ili (land section, next in importance to ahupua’a) and usually a subdivision of an ahupua’a) (Malo 1976:16). S.K. Kuhano wrote in 1873 (cited in Kame‘eleihiwa 1992:330) that O‘ahu was divided into six kalana (although later scholars refer to these same divisions as moku)—Kona, ‘Ewa, Wai‘anae, Wai‘alua, Ko‘olau Loa and Ko‘olau Poko—that were further divided into 86 ahupua’a. Within ‘Ewa, there were 12 ahupua’a including (from west to east) Honolulu, Hō‘a‘e‘ae, Waikele, Waipio, Waiawa, Mānana, Waimano, Waialua, Waialua, Kalauloa, ‘Aiea, and Hālawa (Kame‘eleihiwa 1992:330) (Figure 10). Modern maps and land divisions still generally follow the ancient system and use the same land divisions. This report covers all twelve of the ahupua’a of ‘Ewa, from Honolulu east to Hālawa (Figure 10).

‘Ewa is depicted as an abundant and populated land where chiefs of distinguished lineages were born and resided. The land was fertile and well-fed by mountain streams that helped sustain the agricultural lifestyle needed to support the elaborated social systems of chiefs, their households, and their people. An examination of the place names reveals that water was a very important factor in this district. Six of the twelve ahupua’a in ‘Ewa—Waialua, Waipio, Waiawa, Waimano, Waialua, and Waimalu— begin with wai, the Hawaiian word for water. The fact that there were so many fishponds in ‘Ewa (Figure 11), more than any other district on O‘ahu, indicates that agricultural and aquacultural intensification was a direct link to the chiefs who resided there and to the increasing needs of the population.

Place names, or wahi pana, are an integral part of Hawaiian culture. “In Hawaiian culture, if a particular spot is given a name, it is because an event occurred there which has meaning for the people of that time (McGuire 2000:23).” The wahi pana were then passed on through language and the oral tradition, thus preserving the unique significance of the place. Hawaiians named all sorts of objects and places, points of interest that may have gone unnoticed by persons of other cultural backgrounds. Hawaiians named taro patches, rocks and trees that represented deities and ancestors, sites of houses and heiau (place of worship, shrine) canoe landings, fishing stations in the sea, resting places in the forests, and the tiniest spots where miraculous or interesting events are believed to have taken place. (Pukui et al. 1974:x).

Place names and their meaning in this section are compiled from a number of sources. The primary compilation source is the online database of Lloyd Soehren’s “Hawaiian Place Names.” Soehren has compiled all names from mid-nineteenth century land documents, such as Land Commission Awards (LCA) and Boundary Commission (BC) reports. The database also includes place names meaning from the definitive book on Hawaiian place names, Pukui, Elbert, and Mookini’s, Place Names of Hawai‘i (Pukui et al. 1974). In the general text, all place name meanings are from this definitive source, unless otherwise noted.
Figure 10. Map of Pearl Harbor, ‘Ewa by S.M. Kanakanui (1894) showing the twelve ahupua‘a in the moku of ‘Ewa

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TMK: [1] 9-1, 9-2, 9-4, 9-5, 9-6, 9-7, 9-8, 9-9 (Various Plats and Parcels)
Figure 11. 2005 aerial photograph of ‘Ewa, showing the numerous fishponds of the ‘Ewa District (2005 U.S. Geological Survey Orthoimagery)
When Pukui et al. 1974 did not give a meaning to a place name, Soehren sometimes suggests a possible meaning for simple (non-compound) words using Pukui and Elbert’s, *Hawaiian Dictionary*. The tables on place names in this report list all of the important topographic and land division place names in Soehren’s list, plus additional place names found on historic maps in the CSH library. Additional meanings were added from a 1922 list of place names compiled by Thomas Thurman, which was published in the 1922 edition of Lorrin Andrews’s, *A Dictionary of the Hawaiian Language*.

### 3.1 Place Names along the Main Trails through the ‘Ewa District

There were several pre-Contact/early historic trails across ‘Ewa: a cross-ahu pua’a trail that crossed ‘Ewa and connected Honolulu to Wai‘anae; a *mauka-makai* (mountain to the sea) trail that branched off from the first trail, and followed the boundary between Honouliuli and Hō‘o‘ae‘ae to the Pōhākea Pass and to Wai‘anae; and, a second branching *mauka-makai* trail that generally followed the path of Waikele Stream in Waikele Ahupua‘a. This trail eventually led through the Kolekole Pass to Wahiawā and to Waialua District on the windward side of the island (Figure 12).

ʻĪ‘i described the main cross-ahu pua’a trail from west to east, beginning with the boundary of the Kona and ‘Ewa Districts at the Moanalua/Hālawa border. This trail was just *mauka* (towards the mountain) of the floodplains near Pearl Harbor, skirting the inland edges of the productive taro fields. The trail then dipped down toward the coast towards a prominent hill and landmark, Pu‘uokapolei. The trail crossed into Wai‘anae at the coast near Pili o Kahe, the stone that marked the boundary of the ‘Ewa and Wai‘anae districts:

From there the trail went to Kaleinakauhane [Moanalua Ahupua‘a in the Kona District], then to Kapukaki [Red Hill on the Moanalua/Hālawa boundary], from where one could see the irregular sea of Ewa [Pearl Harbor]; then down the ridge to Napeha [in Hālawa], a resting place for the multitude that went diving there at a deep pool. This pool was named Napeha [Lean Over], so it is said, because Kaulii, a chief of ancient Oahu, went there and leaned over the pool to drink water.

The trail began again on the opposite side of the pool and went to the lowland of Hālawa, on to Kauwamo, a diving place and a much-liked gathering place. It was said to be the diving place of Peapea, son of Kamehamehaui of Maui who was swift in running and leaping. The place from which he dove into the water was 5 to 10 fathoms above the pool.

There the trail led to the taro patches in Aiea and up the plain of Kukiahua. Just below the trail was the spot where Kaeo, chief of Kaua‘i, was killed by Kalanikupule. From there the trail went along the taro patches to the upper part of Kohokoho and on to Kahoeisai [in Kalauao], a small waterfall. On the high ground above, a little way on, was a spring, also a favorite gathering place for travelers. From there it continued over a small plain down the small hill of Waimalu, and along the taro patches that lay in the center of the land...
...The trail went down to the stream and up again, then went above the taro patches of Waiau, up to a maika [game with rolling stones] field, to Waimano, to Manana and to Waiawa; then to the stream of Kukehi and up to two other maika fields, Pueohulunui and Haupuu [in Waiawa]. At Pueohulunui [on the border of Waiawa and Waikele] was the place where a trail branched off to go to Waialua and down to Honouliuli and on to Waianae. (‘Ītī 1959:95, 97)

Of the first mauka-makai trail, located in Honouliuli, ‘Ītī (1959:97) noted “From Kunia the trail went to the plain of Keahumo, on to Maunauna [peak], and along Paupauwela [‘īi], which met with the trails from Wahiawa [District] and Waialua [District].” ‘Ītī places the area called Kunia east of Pōhākea Pass in the ahupua’a of Honouliuli and Hō‘ae‘ae, makai (seaward, toward the sea) of the modern town of Kunia, and places the plain of Keahumo between Kunia and Paupauwela, the most mauka portion of Honouliuli. The trail passed near the peak called Maunauna in upper Honouliuli.
Figure 12. Map of trails in ‘Ewa by Paul Rockwood (not to scale) to show O‘ahu trails ca. 1810, as described by John Papa ʻĪʻī (1959:96)

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TMK: [1] 9-1, 9-2, 9-4, 9-5, 9-6, 9-7, 9-8, 9-9 (Various Plats and Parcels)
3.2 Place Names in the Chants for Kūali‘i and Kaumuali‘i

The ahupua’a of the ‘Ewa District are mentioned in a chant for the chief Kūali‘i. Each phrase usually contains a play on words, as the place name and one meaning of the word, or portion of the word, appears on each line (e.g. kele in Waikiki means “slippery”). These word plays are not necessarily related to the actual place name meaning.

_Uliuli ka poi e piha nei—o Honouliuli;
Aeae ka paakai o Kahuaiki—Hoaeae,
Pikele ka ia e Waikiki—o Waikiki;
Ka hale pio i Kauama—o Waipio;
E kuu kaua i ka loko awa—o Waiauwa;

Mai hoomanana ia oe—o Manana.
He kini kahawai,
He lau kamana—o Waimano;
Ko ia kaua e ke au—o Waiau;
Kukui malamalu kaua—Waimalu;

E ala kaua wa ao-e—o Kalaua;
E kipi kaua e ai-o Aiea;
Mai hoohalawa ia oe—O Halawa.
(Fornander 1917:400–401)

Blue is the poi [cooked taro] which appeases [the hunger] of Honouliuli;
Fine the salt of Kahuaiki—Hoaeae;
Slippery the fish of Waikiki—Waikiki;
The arched house at Kauama—Waipio;
Let us cast the net in the awa-pond—of Waiau;
Do not stretch yourself at—Manana.
Many are the ravines,
Numerous the sharks, at Waimano;
We are drawn by the current of Waiau;
In the kukui grove we are sheltered—in Waimalu;
Let us arise, it is daylight—at Kalaua;
Let us enter and dine—at Aiea;
Do not pass by—Halawa.

Place names of the ‘Ewa District are also mentioned in a chant for the Kaua‘i chief of Kaumuali‘i, a rival of Kamehameha I. In a portion of this chant the wind that blows from one end of ‘Ewa to the other is compared to love.

_Kupuni ula ka ea o Ewa i ke a,
Me he puakai ia i ka lau laau.
Ka laau i ka ilima o Ulihale,
Ula no mawaho o ka hale.
Ka ea ula, ke pili ka lau o ka weuweu.

Haki ke kaupaku o ka hale ia ka ea,
Ka ea no mai Halawa a Honouliuli.
He uli ke kanaka hoaole i ke ‘loha
Me he mea la hala ke ‘loha atai.
(Fornander 1920:474–475)

Filled was the air of Ewa with the report,
Like the sea-spray on the forest trees.
Even reddening the outside of the house;
The forest of the ilima plain at Ulihale,
The redness extends and covers the leaves of the field.
The ridge covering of the house is broken by the whirlwind.
Which flows from Halawa to Honouliuli.
Unfit is the man who forsakes love,
How can he propagate love!
3.3 Place Names in the Ahupua‘a of ʻEwa

3.3.1 Honouliuli Place Names

Honouliuli is the largest ahupuaʻa in the moku of ʻEwa. One translation of the name for this district is given as “unequal” (Saturday Press, Aug. 11, 1883). Others translate the word as “strayed” and associate it with the legends of the gods, Kāne and Kanaloa:

When Kane and Kanaloa were surveying the islands they came to Oahu and when they reached Red Hill saw below them the broad plains of what is now Ewa. To mark boundaries of the land they would throw a stone and where the stone fell would be the boundary line. When they saw the beautiful land lying below them, it was their thought to include as much of the flat level land as possible. They hurled the stone as far as the Waianae range and it landed somewhere, in the Waimanalo section. When they went to find it, they could not locate the spot where it fell. So Ewa (strayed) became known by the name. The stone that strayed. (Sterling and Summers 1978:1)

Honouliuli means “dark water,” “dark bay,” or “blue harbor” and was named for the waters of Pearl Harbor (Jarrett 1930:22), which marks the eastern boundary of the ahupuaʻa. The Hawaiians called Pearl Harbor, Puʻuloa (lit. long hill). Another explanation for the names comes from the “Legend of Lepeamoa,” the chicken-girl of Pālama. In this legend, Honouliuli is the name of the husband of the chiefess Kapālama and grandfather of Lepeamoa. The land district Honouliuli was named for the grandfather of Lepeamoa (Westervelt 1923:164–184).

It seems likely the boundaries of the western most ahupuaʻa of ʻEwa were often contested with Waiʻanae people. The ʻEwa people could cite divine sanction that the dividing point between Waiʻanae and ʻEwa was between two hills at Pili o Kahē:

The ancient Hawaiians said the hill on the ʻEwa side was the male and the hill on the Waiʻanae side was female. The stone was found on the Waianae side hill and the place is known as Pili o Kahē [Pili=cling to, Kahē=flow]. The name refers, therefore, to the female or Waianae side hill. And that is where the boundary between the two districts runs. (Sterling and Summers 1978:1)

Honouliuli has a number of topographic features, peaks, streams, gulches, coastal points, and a number of ancient villages. The locations of the place names, when known, are shown on Figure 13. Besides the topographic points, there are 21 ‘ili names listed in Māhele documents. It is possible that there were more ‘ili in Honouliuli (and other ahupuaʻa), but if no lands were claimed or awarded in these ‘ili, they are not present in the Māhele records.

The 21 ‘ili in Honouliuli were all ‘ili ʻāina lands, which is a land in which the chief of the ‘ili owed tribute to the chief of the ahupuaʻa. There was a second type of common ‘ili in other ahupuaʻa, called an ‘ili kū, short for ‘ili kāpono. This type of ‘ili was nearly independent of any specific ahupuaʻa (although it was usually within the boundary of a specific ahupuaʻa). Tribute for this type of land was usually owed directly to the king, not to the chief of the ahupuaʻa.
Figure 13. Place Names of Hōʻaiʻae (base map: 1927 U.S. Geological Survey, ‘Ewa, Barbers Point, Waiʻanae, and Waipahu Quadrangles)

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TMK: [1] 9-1, 9-2, 9-4, 9-5, 9-6, 9-7, 9-8, 9-9 (Various Plats and Parcels)
3.3.2 Hōʻaeʻae Place Names

Hōʻaeʻae is bound by the shoreline on the makai side by the north shore of Pearl Harbor's West Loch, by a trail running along the eastern edge of Honolulu Gulch on the west side, and by the western side of Waikele Gulch and a trail on the east side. The mauka edge does not extend to the Koʻolau Mountains, but is “cut off” by Honolului to the west and Waikele to the east. The boundary between Hōʻaeʻae and Honolului at the shore was at a place called Kaʻulu (Hawai‘i. Boundary Commission 1:537) and the boundary along the trail was marked by a pōhaku (rock) called Pōhaku Palalahala. There are references to a Hōʻaeʻae Stream in traditional literature. Pre-Contact and early post-Contact agriculture focused on the spring-fed floodplains adjacent to West Loch. Hōʻaeʻae means “to make soft or fine” (Pukui et al. 1974:47). Pukui et al. do not explain why the ahupuaʻa is called this name. Thrum (1922:632) says Hōʻaeʻae means, “to pulverize.”

The coastal point, Kaʻulu, was named for a Puna chief named Kaʻuluhuaakahapapa, whose name means “the breadfruit bearing fruit on the flats” (Pukui et al. 1974:93). Hōʻaeʻae and Waikele at the shore was marked with a “pile of stones by Kalāhina Bay” (Hawaii Boundary Commission AB 1:536), and the boundary on the trail between the two ahupuaʻa was marked by a rock called Pōhaku Pili (“to cling”). There were at least seven ʻili ʻaina in Hōʻaeʻae, Kaʻaiʻiole, Kahui, Kalokoʻeli, Kamolokala, Koipu (also called Koipuiki), and Waihi.

3.3.3 Waikele Place Names

The next ahupuaʻa to the east is Waikele, which extends from the north and eastern shore of West Loch to a boundary point between the District of Wahiwā and the ahupuaʻa of Waiipiʻo on the mauka side (Figure 14 and Figure 15). It is at this boundary point where Sterling and Summers (1978:137) believe was the former location of a famous pōhaku called Oʻahunui, a stone shaped like the island of Oʻahu. Waikele is watered by Waikele Stream—the ridge on the east side of the stream marks the boundary with Waiipiʻo. In upper Waikele, the stream is fed by two tributary streams, from the west Waiʻeli (possibly “dug water”) and from the east Waikakalaua (“water [rough] in rain”). Waikele means “muddy water,” probably a reference to this long stream. There were other names for the lower part of the stream, shown as Kapakahī Stream (“crooked”) on some maps, and referred to as Poniohua Stream (possibly, “anointed on the night of Hua; Thrum 1922:667) in some legends (Mauricio 1997:9).

The most famous location in Waikele is Waipahu Spring (“bursting water”); the waters of this spring were used to irrigate many of the ancient taro patches on the Waikele flood plain and later the rice and sugar cane crops. It was originally spelled Waipahū, and was the home of the shark goddess Kaʻahuʻpāhau. As a town and sugar mill expanded around the spring, the entire makai area of Hōʻaeʻae and Waikele became known as Waipahu, and the older names were no longer used.

A resident clarified this change in names:

“Waipahu” … is not a tract of land, but only a spring located in Waikele. The Oahu Railway Company is the culprit responsible for misuse and confusion, when it built its station at Kaohai and called [it] “Waipahu Station.” The Oahu [Sugar Plantation] Mill is situated on the plateau of “Keonekuiimalaulaewa” (the arm-

Above the spring was a rock face called Pōhaku pili (clinging stone), which was said to have been placed there by the Hawaiian pig-god, Kamapua’a (Mauricio 1997:7). There were two heiau in Waikele, both just north of the present Interstate H-1 Freeway. The two heiau, Mokoula and Hapupu, had been completely destroyed by the time of McAllister’s survey in the early 1930s.

The taro lands along Waipahu Spring and the coast were divided among at least 34 ili, 14 ili ‘āina, and 20 ili kū. The large number of ili, especially the large number of ili kū, which were often associated with high ali‘i or the king, emphasize the richness and importance of the fertile taro lands and fishponds of Waikele.
Figure 14. 1875 Map of the *makai* portion of Waikiele, by W. D. Alexander, with place names added; fishponds in blue
Figure 15. 1877 Map of Waipi'o and upper portion of Waikele Ahupua'a (Waikakalaua) by J. F. Brown, with place names added.
3.3.4 Waipi'o Place Names

To the east of Waikele is Waipi'o, which means “curved, winding water” (Sterling and Summers 1978:1), probably a reference to the curving shorelines of the middle loch of Pearl Harbor, with its many adjacent fishponds. The loch waters were extensively used for gathering limu (seaweed), shellfish and other invertebrates, and fish. After Honouliuli, Waipi'o is the next largest ahupua'a in 'Ewa, extending all the way from the tip of Waipi'o peninsula between the west and middle lochs up to the boundary with the Ko'olau Mountains. The major stream/gulch is called Kipapa (“placed prone”), but there are two other gulches in the upland area, Panahakea, and Pānakauahi (“touched by the smoke”). Keakua‘ōlelo was the name of a heiau in Pānakauahi Gulch. Pu‘u Ka‘aumakua is the highest peak; it marks the boundary point between Waipi'o, Wahiawā District, and the Ko‘oleapoko District at the mauka western corner of the ahupua'a. A secondary peak on the Waipi'o/Waiawa border was called Pu‘u Kamana (“hill [of] the supernatural power”). There was once a heiau in the area between Farrington Highway and the coast, called Ahu‘ena (“red hot heap”). When Thrum (1907:46), listed it in 1907, he noted that only the foundations remained. McAllister noted two heiau in Waipi'o, Moa‘ula and Heiau o ʻUmī along the main coastal trail. He said both were “covered” in cane, and provided no further information on their condition. John Papa ‘Ītī was once the custodian of the idols in the heiau. There were several loko (fishponds) in Waipi'o; two of the largest were Loko ʻEō (“a filled container”) and Loko Hanaloa (“long bay”). A total of 43 ʻili are mentioned in Māhele documents, comprised of 39 ‘ili ʻaina and four ‘ili kū.  

3.3.5 Waiawa Place Names

The meaning and correct pronunciation of Waiawa is in dispute. It is variously spelled Waiawo or Wai‘awa, which leads to different interpretations. Awa is both the word for milk fish or a harbor, cove, channel or passage (Pukui and Elbert 1986:33). In a portion of a chant for Kūaliʻi, documented by Forand (1917:394–400), Waiawa is noted for its awa fish, E ku‘u kaua i ka loko awa—o Waiawa. Forand offers the translation as “Let us cast the net in the awa-pond—of Waiawa.” This would be no surprise, as there were numerous fishponds in Waiawa. With an alternate spelling, ‘awa is the word for the native plant used to make a mild-sedative drink by the Hawaiians. Traditional accounts suggest that Waiawa may have been acknowledged in early times as the site of a special variety of the ‘awā plant:

I ka wa i hiki mai ai ua eueu nei a ku ma ka puka o kahi e komo ai i loko o ua kuahiwi nei o Konahuanui, aia noi na makana a pau ma ka lima o Keamenu, oia hoi ka puua-pukoa, he puua ehu keia o ka hulu, a he pu awa popolo, aole i laha nui keia awa ma keia pae aina, aia nae keia awa e ulu nei i keai wa ma uka o Waiawa ma Ewa ae nei.

When the wondrous maiden [Keamelemele] arrived at the entrance to the mountain of Konahuanui, all the offerings were in charge of Ke-anunue, a puko‘a or reddish brown pig, a clump of dark ‘awa [pu ‘awa pōpolo] which was not common in these islands. This variety of ‘awa now grows in the upland of Waiawa, down here in ‘Ewa. (Manu 2002:50, 138)

A kūpuna (elder) who grew up in Waiawa and lives there still, Tin Hu Young, suggested a different origin of the name Waiawa. During his interview, he gave this explanation:
In fact, the name ‘Wai`awa’ means water and ‘awa. You know the meaning of ‘awa? ‘Awa is that kava root that you drink, Hawaiians call it ‘awa. I kind of didn’t like the idea they called it ‘bitter water’. Because ‘awa is a little bitter when you drink it, so Wai`awa—Wai`awa Valley was an area known in the ancient days of harvesting ‘awa root. It was a ceremonial drink that they had. Of course in the old days only the royalty used that root, until later on, and then the commoners would use it. Then you could sell it in the market and go buy it, like other things. So, Wai`awa was a source of that. But, I like to think that the meaning of ‘bitter water’ for the name Wai`awa, to me, could come from—because the area is the farther lot, the bottom on the lowland, mauka of Pearl Harbor. And when I used to watch the water, the rivulets would come twisting and turning like little ‘awa roots, twisted. If you ever harvest that ‘awa root, you got to see, it’s like a big root coral. It’s all tangled into each other. And it reminds me, when it flooded down in the lowland, all these little rivulets, twisting and turning, like the ‘awa root. But it’s just my romantic— it’s just because I live there. I don’t want them to say, Eh you live in bitter water? (Laughter). (Interview w/ T. H. Young, October 9, 2002 in Bushnell et al. 2003:10)

In addition to the milkfish (Chanos chanos), awa, and the ‘awa root (Piper methysticum), the Hawaiian word awa has a third meaning: of harbor, cove or channel or passage (Pukui and Elbert 1986:33). This suggests there may be some link between the rivulets described by Mr. Young and the awa or channels which reach the sea.

Waiawa is bound by the shore of the Middle Loch of Pearl Harbor on the makai side, the Ko‘olau Mountain Range on the mauka side, by Waipi‘o Ahupua‘a to the west, and by Mānana Ahupua‘a to the east (Figure 16 and Figure 17). Waiawa Ahupua‘a is watered by Waiawa Stream, which in the upper portion splits into Waiawa and Mānana streams. The point of the ridge was called Lae Pōhaku (stone point), a boundary point between Waiawa and Mānana. At this junction, McAllister (1933:105) recorded a heiau called Puoi, which was built on a knoll. According to McAllister (1933:105), the ceremonies at this heiau were performed at the base of the knoll. Makai of the ridge was another boundary point, called Pohakea (“white rock”).

Three boundary points on the west are Pu‘u Kamana (hill of the supernatural power), Pu‘u Pōhaku (stone hill), and Laehopu. Panahakea Gulch extends from the summit of Pu‘u Kamana makai towards Waipi‘o, and the east ridge of Pānakauahi Gulch (touched by the smoke) in Waipi‘o, defines the makai western border of Waiawa. Laehopu marks the coastal point (lai) that divides Waiawa and Waipi‘o on the Middle Loch shore. The mid-nineteenth century Māhele documents concerning LCAs indicate that there were at least 15 ‘ili in Waiawa, all of them ‘ili ‘āina. The greatest resource of Waiawa was the many fishponds. Twelve are mentioned in mid-nineteenth century Māhele documents.

There are several other topographic points listed in mid-nineteenth century documents (Soehren 2009), but these could not be found on any available historic maps. A hill called Kanukumanu (the bird’s beak) served as a boundary point for Māhele award (LCA 9372, ‘apana (lot) 2; near the intersection of Waiawa Stream and the Government Road). In his discussion of trails through Waiawa, ‘Ī‘ī (1959) mentions the stream Kukehi (another name for the makai end of Waiawa Stream) and the maika fields of Haupu‘u and Pueohulunui.
Pueohulunui was on the border between Waiawa and Waikele at the “crossroads, where one leads to Waialua and the other branches off to Honouliuli” (Sterling and Summers 1978:18).
Figure 16. 1927 U. S Geological Survey topographic map, with place names of Waiawa

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TMK: [1] 9-1, 9-2, 9-4, 9-5, 9-6, 9-7, 9-8, 9-9 (Various Plats and Parcels)
Figure 17. 1887 map of the lower lands of Waiawa, Mānana, and Waimano, by S. E. Bishop, with place names added.
3.3.6 Mānana Place Names

Mānana Ahupua'a extends from the Mānana Peninsula, (presently known as the Pearl City Peninsula), between the Middle and East Lochs of Pearl Harbor, to the headwaters of Mānana Stream, near the crest of the Koʻolau Range. The inland portion of the ahupua'a was called Mānapauka ("upland Mānana") or Mānananui ("large Mānana”), and the coastal portion was called Mānanakiki ("little Mānana") (Handy 1940:81). The word manana is translated as: "to stretch out," “to spread out,” or “to protrude” (Pukui and Elbert 1986:218). This may be a reference to the Mānana Peninsula, which protrudes into Pearl Harbor. Other sources indicate the place name means "the meeting of land," and that it was named after the convergence of two lava flows in the Pearl City area (Ching 1996:1). Mānana is bounded by Waiawa Ahupua'a along the shore of Pearl Harbor to the west, and it shares Mānana Peninsula with Waimano Ahupua'a to the east. The boundary between Mānana and Waimano at the makai end was a stone called Pōhakukane, which was in the sea “876 feet westward from the southeast point of the Mānana Peninsula” (Royal Patent 8168, reprinted in Soehren 2009).

Loko Pāʻauʻau was a large loko i'a (fishpond) located on the western coast of the Mānana Peninsula. Pukui et al. (1974:173) translate pāʻauʻau as “bath enclosure.” Pāʻauʻau was also the name of the 'ili surrounding the pond, and the name of the home of John F. Colburn, an early resident who had a home near the pond. In Māhele documents, three other loko i'a are mentioned, Hiʻiakalalo, Kalokoʻelī, and Moʻolau. There are 16 'ili mentioned in Māhele documents, seven 'ili 'āina, eight 'ili kū, and one lihi 'āina. The lihi 'āina was a special type of land, which is defined as an 'ili between two ahupua'a.

3.3.7 Waimano Place Names

Waimano Ahupua'a extends along the east side of the Mānana Peninsula (Figure 18) to the crest of the Koʻolau Range, generally following Waimano Stream. The word waimano is translated as “many waters” (Pukui et al. 1974:225). Pukui et al. (1974:225) also note “the shark demigoddess Ka‘ahupahau bathed here.” Maʻipūhi, a locality in Waimano was also mentioned as “a bathing place of the shark chiefess, Kaahupahau” (Ke Au Hou, Dec. 21, 1910, in Sterling and Summers 1978:16).

Loko Welokā, a large fishpond with a small island in the center, was located in Waimano, along the eastern shore of the Mānana Peninsula. The word welokā is translated as “thrashing, smiting, as a fishtail” (Pukui and Elbert 1986:355), which may also be a reference to the shark demigoddess associated with Waimano. Two other large fishponds were Loko Kūkona, and Loko Luakahaʻole, which were located along the northern coast of Pearl Harbor. There were 22 'ili mentioned in Māhele testimony, fifteen 'ili 'āina and seven 'ili kū.

3.3.8 Wai'au Place Names

Wai'au Ahupua'a extends from the eastern loch of Pearl Harbor, also called Waimalu Loch, (see Figure 19) upland to the Koʻolau Mountain Range along each side of Wai'au Gulch. It is bounded by Waimalu Ahupua'a to the east and Waimano Ahupua'a to the west. Handy (1940:81) says the ahupua'a was named for the Wai'au Spring and Wai'au Pond near the coast. Wai'au means "swirling water," but Thrum (1922:672) says the pronunciation is Wai'au, meaning “water to swim in.”
The two fishery grounds of Kai o Kalua‘o‘opu and Kai o Ka‘akauwaihau were named for their associated ‘ili. Cordy (1996:5) has noted that Waiau had the smallest floodplain and the smallest of offshore fisheries of all the ‘Ewa ahupua‘a. This lack of resources probably explains why Waiau was not listed as a separate ahupua‘a in the Māhele. This may also explain why there are few known place names for gulches, peaks, and coastal points. The only labeled peak, Waimalu, is shown on a 1947 U.S. War Department map. As this is not shown on any earlier map, this may be an historic surveyor’s station rather than a traditional name.

McAllister (1933:105) noted a heiau on the ridge between Waiau and Waimalu Gulches named Kolokukahau Heiau, but it had been destroyed before his survey in the 1930s. A favorite bathing spot of the ‘Ewa shark goddess, Ka‘ahupāhau was at Puhikani in Waiau (Ke Au Hou, 1910b, in Sterling and Summers 1978:16). The location of this spring or pond could not be found on any available maps.

Eleven ‘ili are mentioned for Waiau in nineteenth century Māhele land documents (Soehren 2009; Thrum 1922), Hahapo, Honokōwailani, Ka‘akauwaihau, Kalua‘ōlohe, Kalua‘o‘opu, Kaluapālolo, Kauhihau, Kumu‘ulu, Nālima, Nāono, and Waikowaha. Only three were ‘ili ‘āina; the other eight were ‘ili kū.
Figure 18. 1887 map of lower lands of Waimano and Waiau by S. E. Bishop, with place names added.
3.3.9 Waimalu Place Names

Waimalu Ahupua'a extends from the East Loch of Pearl Harbor to the crest of the Koʻolau Range, generally following Waimalu Stream. The word waimalu is translated as “sheltered water” (Pukui et al. 1974:225), likely in reference to Pearl Harbor and the fishponds along the coast. Loko Paʻakea, a large fishpond in Waimalu along the Pearl Harbor coast was said to have been built by the chiefess, Kalaimanuia (McAllister 1933:103–104). The word paʻakea is translated as “coral bed, limestone” (Pukui et al. 1974:173).

The offshore island of Mokuʻumeʻume (Ford Island) was considered part of Waimalu Ahupua'a. McAllister (1933:102) indicates the place name means “Isle of Strife” from the fact that among former chiefs it was the center of contention over certain fishing rights.” Pukui et al. (1974:156) state that the island was named for the 'ume, a sexual game that was once played on the island. A total of sixteen ‘ili are mentioned in mid-nineteenth century Māhele documents, six ‘ili ‘āina and ten ‘ili kū.
Figure 19. Portion of map of Pearl Harbor, ‘Ewa by S.M. Kanakanui (1894) with place names of the coastal portions of Waimalu, Kalauao, ‘Aiea, and Hālawa added
3.3.10 Kalauao Place Names

The ahupua‘a of Kalauao (the multitude of clouds (Pukui et al. 1974:75) extends on both sides of Kalauao Creek and Gulch from the East Loch of Pearl Harbor to the Ko‘olaulo Mountain Range (Figure 20 and Figure 21).

The boundary between the ‘Ewa District and Ko‘olaulo District along the Ko‘olaulo Mountains is called the Mauna Kapu Ridge (sacred mountain). Pu‘u Kaiwipo‘o (also spelled Kawipoo) (the skull hill; Thrum 1922:629) is located near the mauka boundary of the ahupua‘a on the ridge shared with Hālawa Ahupua‘a. Pu‘u ‘Ua‘u (also spelled ‘Uua‘u or ‘Uwau on maps) marks the mauka boundary of ‘Aiea Ahupua‘a on the Kalauao/Hālawa boundary. It is named for ‘ua‘u (dark-rumped petrel), a seabird that travels inland to nest. It is considered an ‘aumakua (family of personal gods, deified ancestors who might assume the shape of sharks, owls, hawks…etc) to some Hawaiian families (Pukui et al. 1974:206; Pukui and Elbert 1986:362) and was a favored food often reserved for the ali‘i. The hill Maunakū‘aha is mentioned as the mauka boundary point of LCA 9400 in the mid-nineteenth century Māhele records, but it is not labeled on any map. The name may mean “altar mountain,” with the word ki‘iaha short for kua‘aha, which means “altar” (Soehren 2009). LCA 9400 is near the shore west of Loko Opu and overlaps the boundary with Waimalu Ahupua‘a. This may indicate that the “mountain” is a sand dune or even a fishing shrine rather than a hill. The boundary point at the Ko‘olaulo Mountain Range between Kalauao and Hālawa is Pu‘u Keahiakahoe (the fire of Kahoe hill), named for a legend about a farmer named Kahoe who lived in Kāne‘ohi (Pukui et al. 1974:199). West of the main stream near the coast was a small stream or ‘awawai (ditch) called Hanawai.

Mid-nineteenth century LCAs mention 11 ‘ili for Kalauao Ahupua‘a, including the large ‘ili of Ka‘ūnohi, which covered at least half, and possibly all, of the mauka section of the ahupua‘a. All seven are ‘ili kū, which in pre-Contact times were often associated with the high ali‘i or the king.
Figure 20. 1927 U.S. Geological Survey map (Pearl Harbor Quadrangle), showing place names of Kaluaao; large ‘ili of Ka‘ōnohi outlined in magenta

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Figure 21. Tracing of 1913 Land Court Application Map No 334, for the Applicant, The McGrew Estate, with LCA parcels, topographic points, and 'ili names

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Along the coastal trail connecting Honolulu to Wai‘anae was a small waterfall called Kahuwai (or Kahuwai) (water gourd container; Soehren 2009) along Kalauao Stream, which 'I'i (1959:95) stated was once a favorite resting place for travelers, exclusively for chiefs. The eastern coastal portion of Kalauao is a promontory on the west side of 'Aiea Bay. The western promontory point is labeled as Kapuniakaia on a map of 'Aiea by Lyons (1873a) and the eastern point is labeled as Nihiniihi‘ula on a map of Pearl Harbor by Lyons (1873b). The Hawaiian word “nihiniihi” means “edge,” or “part jutting out” (Lucas 1995:79), so this name may refer to the “jutting” coastal point. On nineteenth and twentieth century maps, this last point is labeled as McGrew Point. The latter name came from Dr. John S. McGrew, a Honolulu resident who owned a house and a large estate in Kapuai ‘Ilī of Kalauao Ahupua‘a next to ‘Aiea Bay.

McAllister (1933:103) refers to three archaeological sites in Kalauao Ahupua‘a. All three are connected with Kala‘imanua, a chiefess and mô‘i (king) of O‘ahu who lived ten generations before Ka‘ahumanu in the sixteenth century (Kame‘eleihiwa 1992:80). Following in her mother’s (Kīkaniloko’s) footsteps, Kala‘imanua lived most of the time in Kalauao. No foreign or domestic wars appear to have occurred during her reign (Fornander 1996:269). McAllister (1933) noted that the foundation of her houses at Kūkī‘iahu stood in Kalauao until recent times. The name of her house complex may derive from the Hawaiian words kūkī‘i (standing image) and ahu (cairn, mound; Pukui and Elbert 1986). Kala‘imanua was credited with having built the fishponds of Kapa‘akea in Waimalu and Loko Opu and Loko Pā‘aiua in Kalauao. Sterling and Summers place the house complex of Kūkī‘iahu somewhere near Huawai Steam, possibly near LCA 9400:2 just mauka of Loko ‘Opu and Loko Pā‘aiua. According to Kamakau (1992:169–170), when a battle was fought near the former residence of Kala‘imanua in 1794, the dead were placed in a large pile in Pā‘aiua. It is unclear if this is a reference to the fishpond Loko Pā‘aiua or to the ‘ili of Pā‘aiua in which the fishpond is located, however, the statement suggests that Kala‘imanua’s residence was close to Pā‘aiua ‘Ilī.

Loko Pā‘aiua was a roughly 190 by 600 foot rectangular pond surrounded by land on three sides with walls two ft high (Soehren 2009). McAllister (1933:103) describes it as if it was still in good condition in the 1930s. On the other hand, McAllister (1933:103) describes Loko Opu as partially filled in. It was once about ten acres in size, with a wall 270 ft long that surrounded the entire perimeter. Three other ponds are mentioned in the Māhele testimony, but are not labeled on any available maps.

3.3.11 ‘Aiea Place Names

‘Aiea Ahupua‘a was named after the shrub ‘aiea (Pukui et al. 1974:7; Thrum 1922:626), which was used for thatching sticks and for fire-making (Pukui and Elbert 1986:10). ‘Aiea Ahupua‘a extends from the eastern loch of Pearl Harbor at ‘Aiea Bay inland along each side of ‘Aiea Stream and Gulch, as shown on an 1874 map of ‘Aiea (Figure 22). The ahupua‘a does not extend to the Ko‘olau Mountain Range, but is “cut off” by Kalauao Ahupua‘a to the west and Hālawa Ahupua‘a to the east. At the point where these three ahupua‘a adjoin, there is a hill called Pu‘u ‘Uua‘u. Pu‘u ‘Uua‘u is named after the ‘ua‘u, or dark-rumped petrel (Pterodroma phaeopygia sandwicensis), a seabird that travels inland to nest (Pukui et al. 1974:206). The eastern boundary with Hālawa Ahupua‘a is marked by the peaks Pu‘u Auwahine, Pu‘u Kaulainahē‘e, Pō‘ohōlu‘u and the “legendary rock” (Hawai‘i. Boundary Commission, 24, 1:335, cited in Soehren 2009) Pōhaku‘ume‘ume. The correct spelling of Kaulainahē‘e may be
Kaula‘ināhe‘e, meaning “dry the octopi” (Soehren 2009). The name poʻohōlua refers to the head of a hōlua (sledding) course (Soehren 2009; Pukui and Elbert 1986). The boundary with Kalauao Ahupua‘a at the coast was marked at Kapuniakaia and the boundary with Hālawa Ahupua‘a was at the wall that separated Loko Kahakupōhaku and Loko Keilapeia. The wall of Loko Kakupōhaku, a large fishpond in ‘Aiea along the Pearl Harbor coast, marked the boundary between ‘Aiea and Hālawa Ahupua‘a.

Napoka (1994) collected the moʻolelo of John Ka‘imikaua on the historical significance of Pōhaku o Ki‘i, or the Stone of Ki‘i. This boulder was situated near the intersection of Moanalua Road and Nalopaka Place. Due to a widening of Moanalua Road in 1994, Pōhaku o Ki‘i was moved to the ‘Aiea post office and situated between two palm trees. This place was originally the site of a sacred pond named Waiola‘a, which was reserved for royalty, but it has since been filled in. ‘Aiea was a small ahupua‘a and had only ten ‘ili listed in mid-nineteenth century Māhele documents, nine ‘ili ‘āina and one ‘ili kū.

3.3.12 Hālawa Place Names

Hālawa Ahupua‘a extends along the eastern shore of the Pearl Harbor mouth and along the East Loch of Pearl Harbor inland to the crest of the Koʻolau Range, along both banks of Hālawa Stream. Hālawa Stream forks in the uplands into two tributary streams, Kamananui (North Hālawa Stream), and Kamanakī (South Hālawa Stream). The word hālawa is translated as “curve” (Pukui et al. 1974:36). The boundary between the ‘Ewa District and Koʻolauapoko District along the Koʻolau Mountains is called the Mauna Kapu Ridge (sacred mountain).

On the west, Puʻu Kawaipoʻo (also spelled Kawipoo) (the skull hill; Thrum 1922:629) is located near the mauka boundary of Kalauao Ahupua‘a on the ridge shared with Hālawa Ahupua‘a. Puʻu ʻUaaʻu (also spelled ʻUuaʻu or ʻUʻwau on maps) marks the mauka boundary of ʻAiea Ahupuaʻa on the Kalauao/Hālawa boundary. It is named for ʻaaʻu (dark-rumped petrel), a seabird that travels inland to nest. The western ʻAiea/Hālawa boundary is marked by the peaks Puʻu Auwhine, Puʻu Kualainaeheʻe, Poʻohōlua and the “legendary rock” (Boundary Commission 24, 1:335, cited in Soehren 2009) Pōhakuʻumemʻume. The wall of Loko Kakupōhaku, a large fishpond in ‘Aiea along the Pearl Harbor coast, marked the coastal boundary between ‘Aiea and Hālawa Ahupua‘a.

Along the coastal trail connecting Honolulu to Wai‘anae, ʻĪi (1959:95) mentioned two resting places in Hālawa for travelers, Napehā and Kauwamo. Napehā, translated as “bend over breath” (Pukui et al. 1974:163), was a pool and resting place where people went diving. The pool was said to have been named for the chief, Ki‘ili‘i, who stopped and bent over the pool to take a drink (“ʻĪi 1959:95). Sterling and Summers (1978:10) give the literal meaning as “out of breath”. Kauwamo was also a diving place where people liked to gather, said to be a favorite diving spot of Peʻapeʻa, son of Kamehamehanui of Maui (“ʻĪi 1959:95). Near the trail, on the high eastern rim of Aliamanu (Salt Lake) at a peak called Puʻukapu along Kapukuki Ridge (Red Hill Ridge), were several large terraces recorded by McAllister (1933:97; Site 88) in his survey of Oʻahu sites. C. J. Lyons, an early surveyor, noted that the peak marked not only the boundary between Hālawa and Moanalua, but also the boundary between the ‘Ewa and Kona (Honolulu) Districts (citation as reprinted in Sterling and Summers 1978:335).
Figure 22. 1874 map of ‘Aiea by C. J. Lyons, with place names added

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Kūāhua, a small offshore islet, considered a part of Hālawa Ahupua'a, is translated as "standing heap" (Pukui et al. 1974:118). Kūāhua was attached to the coast via the Loko Kūnana fishpond. Lloyd Soehren (2009) translated this name as Kūnana, a possible variant of kūlana, the Hawaiian word for "position." However, a long time resident stated the fishpond was named after Kūanānā ('child of Nānā), the mother of Ka'ahupahau, the shark chiefess of Pu'uloa, who liked to fish there (Sterling and Summers 1978:10). Makalapa Crater is a prominent geological feature located inland of Loko Kūnana. The word makalapa is translated as "ridge features" (Pukui et al. 1974:140). Leilono, located on the hill of Kapukaki (Red Hill) at the boundary between Hālawa and Moanalua Ahupua'a, "was a place said to be the opening, on the island of O'ahu, for mankind to enter eternal night" (Ka Nūpepa Ku'oko'a Aug. 11, 1899, in Sterling and Summers 1978:9). There was a healing pool called Waiola in the uplands near the boundary with Moanalua. McAllister (1933:99) reported that the pool is said to have medicinal qualities. The old Hawaiian came here to bathe when they were recuperating from illness.

Hālawa had numerous fishponds (from south to north). Loko Waihalo, also known as Queen Emma's Pond and Loko Ke'oki, were both located near the mouth of the Pearl River near the nineteenth century village called Watertown. Papiolu was opposite the tip of Waipi'o Peninsula. Loko A Mano (Amana), Loko Pōhaku, Ola Loko, Wailokokai and Wailolowai were all inland of Kāāhua Island, in the bay now called the South East Loch, while Loko Kūnana and Loko Mulawai were between the east side of the island and the Hālawa shore. Loko Kahakupōhaku and Kealipaia were near the northeastern corner of the East Loch of Pearl Harbor. Sixteen 'ili are mentioned in Māhele documents, 15 'ili 'āina and one 'ili kū.
Section 4  Stories (Mo‘olelo) of ‘Ewa

The mo‘olelo of ‘Ewa evoke the deep Hawaiian past. Some mo‘olelo make connections with Kahiki, the traditional homeland of Hawaiians in central Polynesia. Most notably, the chief Kaha‘i left from Kalaeloa (coastal area in Honoluluui Ahupua‘a) for a trip to Kahiki, and on his return to the Hawaiian Islands, brought back the first breadfruit (Kamakau 1991a:110) and planted it near the waters of Pu‘uloa (long hill), now known as Pearl Harbor (Beckwith 1940:97). In addition, several mo‘olelo associate places in ‘Ewa with the gods Kāne and Kanaloa, the pig god Kamapua‘a, the Hina family, and with the sisters of the Hawaiian volcano goddess Pele, all of whom have strong connections with Kahiki (Kamakau 1991a:111; Pukui et al. 1974:200).

‘Ewa literally means “crooked” or “unequal” (Pukui and Elbert 1986:42). Others interpret it as “strayed” in association of a story about the gods Kāne and Kanaloa, who threw a stone to determine the boundary of the district.

When Kane and Kanaloa were surveying the islands they came to Oahu and when they reached Red Hill saw below them the broad plains of what is now Ewa. To mark boundaries of the land they would throw a stone and where the stone fell would be the boundary line. When they saw the beautiful land lying below them, it was their thought to include as much of the flat level land as possible. They hurled the stone as far as the Wai‘anae range and it landed somewhere, in the Waimanalo section. When they went to find it, they could not locate the spot where it fell. So Ewa (strayed) became known by the name. The stone that strayed. (Told to E. Sterling by Simeon Nawaa, March 22, 1954; cited in Sterling and Summers 1978:1)

4.1 Pearl Harbor (Pu‘uloa) Mo‘olelo

4.1.1.1 Kāne and Kanaloa and the Loko I’a of Pu‘uloa

According to an account in the Hawaiian newspaper Ka Loea Kālai‘aina (June 10, 1899), several of the fishponds in the Pu‘uloa area were made by the brother gods, Kāne and Kanaloa. A fisherman living in Pu‘uloa, named Hanakahi, prayed to unknown gods, until one day two men came to his house. They revealed to him that they were the gods to whom he should pray. Kāne and Kanaloa then built fishponds at Ke‘anapua‘a, but were not satisfied. Then they built the fishpond, Kepo‘okala, but were still not satisfied. Finally they made the pond Kapākule, which they stocked with all manner of fish. They gifted all of these fishponds to Hanakahi and his descendants (Handy and Handy 1972:473; Ka Loea Kālai‘aina, July 8, 1899).

According to Mary Pukui (1943:56-57), who visited Kapākule fishpond when she was young, the pond was built by the legendary little people of Hawai‘i, the menehune, under the direction of the gods Kāne and Kanaloa. Pukui describes several unique aspects of this pond:

On the left side of the pond stood the stone called Hina, which represented a goddess of the sea by that name. Each time the sea ebbed, the rock became gradually visible, vanishing again under water at high tide. Ku, another stone on
the right, was never seen above sea level. This stone represented Ku‘ula, Red Ku, a god for fish and fishermen. From one side of the pond a long wall composed of driven stakes of hard wood, ran toward the island [Laulaunui] in the lochs. When the fish swam up the channel and then inside of this wall, they invariably found themselves in the pond. A short distance from the spot where the pond touched the shore was a small koa or altar composed of coral rock. It was here that the first fish caught in the pond was laid as an offering to the gods. (Pukui 1943:56)

The fishpond contained many fish, especially the akule (scad fish, Trachurus crumenophthalmus), thus its name, “the enclosure for akule fish” (Pukui 1943:56-57). The pond was destroyed when the channel to Pearl Harbor was dredged in the early twentieth century. The caretaker of the pond took the stones Kū and Hina to a deep place in the ocean and sunk them so “none would harm or defile them.” Cobb (1903:733) says the pond was used to catch the larger akule (goggler), ʻōpelu (mackerel scad), weke (goat fish), kawakawa (bonito), and sharks. It was unusual for having walls made of coral. This contradicts much of the legendary material that says that sharks were not killed within Pearl Harbor; however, Kamakau does relate that Kekuananohoa and Kauhiwawaeweno, two conspirators against Kamehameha I, lived at Pu‘uloa. The chief Kauhiwawaewono was known to murder people and use their bodies as shark bait (Kamakau 1992:182, 232).

Samuel Kamakau adds more information on the pond Kapākule, and a second one called Kepo‘okala.

At Pu‘uloa on Oahu were two unusual ponds [fish traps]—Kapakule and Kepoolala. Kapakule was the better one. The rocks of its walls, kuapa, could be seen protruding at high tide, but the interlocking stone walls (pae niho pohaku) of the other pond were still under water at high tide.... It [Kapakule] was said to have been built by the ʻeʻėpa people [mysterious people] at the command of Kane ma....

This is how the fish entered the pond. At high tide many fish would go past the mauka side of the pond, and when they returned they would become frightened by the projecting shadows of the trunks, and would go into the opening. The fish that went along the edge of the sand reached the seaward wall, then turned back toward the middle and entered the anapuna (the arched portion of the trap). A man ran out and placed a “cut-off” seine net (ʻomuku lau) in the opening, and the fish shoved and crowded into it. The fish that were caught in the net were dumped out, and those not caught in the net were attacked with sharp sticks and tossed out, or were seized by those who were strong. (Kamakau 1976:88)

4.2 Moʻolelo (Stories) of Honouliuli and Hōʻaeʻae

4.2.1 The Caves of Honouliuli

ʻEwa was famous for the many limestone caves formed in the uplifted coral, called the “Ewa Karst.” This Pleistocene limestone outcrop, where not covered by alluvium or stockpiled material, has characteristic dissolution “pit caves” (Myroie and Carew 1995), which are nearly universally, but erroneously, referred to as “sink holes” (Halliday 2005). These pit caves, or
sinkholes, vary widely in areal extent and depth, with some of the more modest features comparable in volume to five-gallon buckets, while some of the larger features, although usually irregularly shaped, are several meters wide and several meters deep. In traditional Hawaiian times, the areas of exposed coral outcrop were undoubtedly more extensive.

Some of these caves, called ka-lua-ōlohe, were inhabited by the ʻōlohe, a type of people that looked like other humans but had tails like dogs (Beckwith 1940:343). These people were skilled in wrestling and bone-breaking and often hid along narrow passes to rob travelers. They were also reputed to be cannibals. One famous cannibal king, Kaupe, who lived in Līhuʻe in upland Honouliuli, was an ʻōlohe.

The caves of Puʻuloa were sometimes also used as burial caves. In 1849, Kealiʻiahonui, son of Kaumualiʻi’s last king, Kaumualiʻi, died. He had once been married to the chiefess Kekauʻōnohi, who had stayed with him until 1849. She wanted to bury her ex-husband at sea.

It seems that by Kekauonohi’s orders, the coffin containing her late husband’s remains was removed to Puuola, Ewa, with the view of having it afterwards taken out to sea and there sunk. It was temporarily deposited in a cavern in the coral limestone back of Puuola, which has long been used for a burial place, and has lately been closed up. (Alexander 1907:27)

After some initial objections by the niece of Kealiʻiahonui, the body was removed from the outer coffin, the rest was sunk, and the coffin was later buried somewhere in Puʻuloa.

4.2.2 The Inland Plain of Keahumoa

In several legends of ‘Ewa, mention is made of the “plain of Keahumoa.” John Papa ʻĪʻī (1959:96) has this plain opposite the trail to Pohakea Pass, stretching across the ahupuaʻa of Honouliuli and Hōʻoeaʻe. McAllister (1933:107) states that the plain was west of ʻIkapua Gulch in Waikoua. It is also mentioned in legends of Waihoʻo. Thus, this is probably a general name for the flat plain mauka of the productive floodplain area directly adjacent to Pearl Harbor. This plain would have been mauka of the present corridor alignment.

4.2.2.1 Legend of Nāmakaokapaoʻo

Nāmakaokapaoʻo was a Hawaiian hero of legendary strength. Nāmakaokapaoʻo’s mother was Pokai and his father was Kaumukahai, a great chief of Kahiki, the ancestral home of the Hawaiians. The two met in Hōʻoeaʻe and conceived their child there. The father returned to his home in Kahiki before the birth of his son, leaving his Oʻahu family destitute. A man named Pualiʻi saw Pokai and married her. The couple then resided on the plains of Keahumoa, planting sweet potatoes. Nāmakaokapaoʻo was a small, brave child who took a dislike to his stepfather, and pulled up the sweet potatoes Pualiʻi had planted at their home in Keahumoa. When Pualiʻi came after Nāmakaokapaoʻo with an axe, Nāmakaokapaoʻo delivered a death prayer against him, and slew Pualiʻi, hurling his head into a cave in Waipouli, near the beach at Honouliuli (Fornander 1919:274–276).
4.2.2.2 Legend of Piko

Piko was a legendary hero, the son of a crow (‘alalā) and brother to five god-sisters in the form of rats. He was famous for his ability to shoot arrows, and often made bets that he could hit rats from a long distance (Fornander 1917:450–463). Piko’s skill was commemorated in a saying (Pukui 1983:200):

- **Ku aku la ia ka pana a**
- **Piko-i-ka-‘alalā, keiki pana**
- **‘iole o ke kula o Keahumoa.**

  - Shot by the arrow of Piko-[son]
  - of-the-crow, the expert rat-shooter
  - Of the plain of Keahumoa.

4.2.2.3 Story of Palila

In the legend of the hero Palila, the famous warrior had a supernatural war club. He could throw the club a long distance, hang on to the end of it, and fly along the club’s path. Using this power, he touched down in several places in Honolulu, Waipi‘o, and Waikele. One day he used his supernatural war club to carry himself to Ka‘ena Point at Wai‘anae, and from there east across the district of ‘Ewa.

- **Ha‘alele keia ia Ka‘ena, hele mai la a Kalena, a Pōhākea, Maunaena, Kānehoa, a ke kula o Keahumoa, nana ia ‘Ewa. Kū kēia i laila nānā i ke kū a ka ea o ka lepo i nā kānaka, e pahu aku ana kēia i ka la‘au palau aia nei i kai o Honolulu, kū ka ea o ka lepo, mu lalo o ka homua, me he olai la, makau nā kānaka holo a hiki i Waikele. A hiki o Palila, i laila, e pa‘apu ana nā kānaka i ka nānā lealea a ke ‘li‘i o O‘ahu nei, oai o Ahupau.**

  - After leaving Ka‘ena, he came to Kalena, then on to Pōhākea, then to Manuauna [a peak in Honolulu], then to Kānehoa [a peak in Honolulu], then to the plain of Keahumoa [upland plain from Honolulu to Waipi‘o] and looked toward ‘Ewa. At this place he stood and looked at the dust as it ascended into the sky caused by the people who had gathered there; he then pushed his war club toward Honolulu. When the people heard something roar like an earthquake they were afraid and they all ran to Waikele. When Palila arrived at Waikele he saw the people gathered there to witness the athletic games that were being given by the king of O‘ahu, Ahupau by name. (Fornander 1918:142–143)

4.2.2.4 The Demi-god Māui

In the stories of the demi-god Māui, Keahumoa is the home of Māui’s grandfather, Kuolokele (Kū-honeycreeper). One day, Māui’s wife, Kumulama, was stolen by the chief Peapeamakawalu, called eight-eyed-Pea-Pea, who is identified in the creation chant, Kumulipo, as the octopus god (Beckwith 1951:136). The chief disappeared with Kumulama in the sky beyond the sea, and escaped so quickly that Māui could not catch him. To recover his wife, Māui’s mother advised him to visit the hut of his grandfather at Keahumoa:

- **Mau went as directed until he arrived at the hut; he peeped in but there was no one inside. He looked at the potato field on the other side of Poha-kea, toward Hono-uli-uli, but could see no one. He then ascended a hill, and while he stood there looking, he saw a man coming toward Waipahu with a load of potato leaves,**
one pack of which, it is said, would cover the whole land of Keahumoa. (Thrum 1923:253–254)

Kuolokele made a moku-manu ("bird-ship") for Māui, who entered the body of the bird and flew to Moanaliiha, the land of the chief Peapeamakawalu. This chief claimed the bird as his own when it landed on a sacred box, and took it with him into the house he shared with Māui’s wife. When Peapeamakawalu fell asleep, Māui killed him, cut off his head, and flew away back to O’ahu with his wife and the chief’s head (Thrum 1923:252–259).

4.2.2.5 Hi’iaka, sister to the Hawaiian volcano goddess, Pele

The goddess, Hi’iaka, sister of the volcano goddess Pele, passed through ‘Ewa and met women stringing ma’o (Gossypium tomentosum) flowers to make lei. Hi’iaka offered a chant, making known her wish for a lei around her own neck.

E lei ana ke kula o Ke ‘ahumoa i ka ma’o

‘Ohu’ohu wale nā wāhine kui lei o ka nahele

(Ho’oumāhiehiemalie 2006a:287; 2006b:268)

4.3 Stories (Moʻolelo) of Central and Eastern ‘Ewa

4.3.1 The Kapa Board at Waiekele Spring

The most famous wahi pana in Waiekele is the legend of the kapa (tapa, cloth made from wauke or māmaki bark) board of Waipahu Spring. Tapa was placed on a wooden board (also called an anvil), and beaten by women with tapa sticks to smooth out the fibers. This pounding made a resonant sound, and women could often identify the owner of the board by the sound that was made. One day a woman in Kahuku on O’ahu took her favorite tapa board to a pool to clean it and left it at the side of the pool. The next day the board was missing. The woman first searched the windward districts of the island, but never heard the distinctive ringing sound of her own favorite board. After several months without finding her board, she traveled to the leeward side of O’ahu.

She went from Kahuku on the Koolau side to Kaneohe where she spent the night. There was no sign of the anvil in Koolau, because the sign she sought was the sound it made.... She went on and spent the night at Wailupe but did not find hers. She heard other anvils but they were not hers. The night turned into day and she went on to Kāpalama where she slept but did not hear what she sought till she came to Waipahu. (Ka Loa Kalaiaina, June 10, 1899; English translation in Sterling and Summers 1978:25)

At Waipahu Spring in the ‘Ewa District, she finally heard the sound of her own board. She followed the sound to the uplands of Waiekele and found a woman beating tapa on her board. The woman claimed that she had found the board one day floating on the water at a spring near her house. This legend illustrates the belief by the ancient Hawaiians that there were underground streams and passages that led from one side of the island to the other. In one version of this story,