

NOTICE OF CONSULTATION
SECTION 106 OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT OF 1966 AS AMENDED (2006)
and NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

HANAPĒPĒ BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT
ISLAND OF KAUA‘I, DISTRICT OF KONA, AHUPUA‘A OF HANAPĒPĒ
Tax Map Key(s): (4)1-9-007-013, (4)1-9-011:012, (4)1-9-011: 999 (ROW)

Notice is hereby given that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the County of Kaua‘i Department of Public Works (“County”) proposes to rehabilitate Hanapēpē Bridge. This proposed County project is considered a federal action and undertaking, as defined in Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 800.16(y).

Hanapēpē Bridge (Structure Number: 007190071119004), is located in Hanapēpē on the island of Kaua‘i. The bridge carries Hanapēpē Road, a County roadway, over the Hanapēpē River. The bridge was built in 1911 and an elevated walkway with metal railings was added in 1927. While not listed on the National or Hawai‘i Register, the bridge is included in the Hawai‘i State Historic Bridge Inventory and Evaluation (2013) and is considered to have high preservation value.

The proposed project will repair spalled and delaminated areas of exposed reinforcing in the deck, girders, floor beams, abutments, pier walls, and railings. The proposed maintenance and structural repair work will consist of chipping or sawing out the old concrete, installing reinforcement, patching with epoxy grout, patching mortar or concrete, and applying sealant. The existing AC and base course will be removed, and a new concrete deck will be placed on top of the original deck along with an asphalt overlay.

In addition, the elevated walkway on the makai side of the bridge will be restored to operational condition by placing new, preformed concrete slabs for the walkway surface and sides. The metal railings are in poor condition and will be removed and replaced with a design similar to the original 1927 design and matching the existing color. Additional horizontal members will be added to the railing to meet existing building codes due to the large openings in the existing railing design. Metal wires (similar to the original design) will be added to the bottom 27 inches (each 4 inches apart) and horizontal pipe members and fittings will be added to the upper 15 inches so that an 8 inch diameter sphere will not pass through the opening. The proposed work is not anticipated to result in visual changes to the appearance of the bridge, with the exception of the modification to the railing design.

In addition to the restored elevated walkway accessed by stairs, an Americans with Disabilities Act compliant pedestrian sidewalk will be provided on the rehabilitated bridge by using tubular reflective delineators, similar to the existing situation. The proposed Area of Potential Effects (APE) comprises Hanapēpē Bridge, the transition onto Hanapēpē Road, and two temporary construction laydown areas. The proposed APE is a total of approximately 0.5 acres. All work would be conducted within the existing operational roadway, with the exception of the two laydown areas.

We welcome any information you may have on historical and cultural sites that have been recorded in or which you may have knowledge of within the proposed APE. In addition, if you are acquainted with any persons or organizations that are knowledgeable about the APE, or any descendants with ancestral, lineal, or cultural ties to or cultural and/or historical properties knowledge of or concerns for, and cultural or religious attachment to the proposed project area, we would appreciate receiving their names and contact information.

Please also provide your comments on the APE, any information you may have on cultural and/or historical sites that have been recorded within the APE, and the names and contact information of people/organizations who may have cultural affiliations and historical properties information in the vicinity of the APE.

Interested participants are requested to contact Mr. Donald Fujimoto, Project Manager, at dfujimoto@kauai.gov or by US Postal Service to County of Kaua‘i Department of Public Works, Engineering Division, 4444 Rice Street, Suite 175, Līhu‘e, HI 96766-1340.

Please respond within 30 days after the advertising date of this notice.

Please note that the County intends to hold a virtual public information meeting about this project, during which the County also welcomes Section 106 comments about this undertaking. This public meeting will be held on-line on Wednesday, December 2, 2020, at 6:00 pm. If you are unable to attend the virtual meeting, or for special requirements or handicap access needs, please contact Donald Fujimoto at 808-241-4882 or email dfujimoto@kauai.gov for alternative accommodations.

To participate in this public meeting, please pre-register at the following URL:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4544703081040665104> or by scanning the QR code below:

