



Senator
J. KALANI ENGLISH

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MESSAGE FROM KALANI

Over the last 18 years, many of our district Capital Improvement Projects have come to fruition, been completed or are being implemented now. Whether it is the Hanā Highway Bridge Preservation Plan, the Moloka’i Irrigation System Improvements, the Manele Small Boat Harbor Improvements or the Kahakapao Recreational Area Project, our quality of life has gone up. We will take a look at some of these projects in our next issue.

On a recent visit to Moloka’i, I had a renewed sense of aloha as I visited with constituents, family and friends. We spent some time inspecting the Kawela Bridge Project and other improvements on the island.

I look forward to seeing you as I travel through-out our district this summer.

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HAWAI’I STATE SENATE 7TH DISTRICT

**HĀNA, EAST AND UPCOUNTRY MAUI,
MOLOKA’I, LĀNA’I AND KAHO’OLAWÉ**



KAHOLOPO’O BRIDGE DEDICATION

Sen. English was among the dignitaries and attendees at the Kaholopo’o Bridge Replacement Blessing Ceremony on June 17 above Hamoa Village in Hāna. The bridge is located on Hāna Hwy. about 1.5 miles south of Hāna town. The original bridge was constructed in 1917 out of reinforced concrete. The new bridge maintains the existing appearance with the exception of the middle support. The bridge cost \$1,826,000 of which 80% was Federal funds and 20% County funds.

The project was scheduled to be completed in 9 months beginning on April 16, 2012, but actually took about 17 months to complete. The original plan was to utilize Haneo’o Road through Hamoa Village as a detour road during construction. Discussion with several community members regarding the detour route resulted in the development of a mitigation plan used to ease the impact of increased volume through the area. “I live in Hamoa, and the diverted traffic had a huge impact on my village,” noted Sen. English, “Yet we accepted the temporary traffic light as a

Sen. J. Kalani English & Mayor Alan Arakawa dedicate Kaholopo’o Bridge above Hamoa, Hāna. June 17, 2014.

way to ensure everyone’s safety during the bridge construction.”

Maui County Public Works developed the mitigation plan which included the installation of portable traffic signals at the narrow section of the by-pass road, supplemented with the installation of “NO PARKING” signs along the same stretch. The existing culvert on Haneo’o Road by Koki beach was determined to be inadequate to carry the increased volume of traffic due to its age. To resolve this problem, a new structure was installed over the existing culvert adding to the delay and increasing the cost.

“I am pleased that Maui County is committed to replacing its aging and structurally unsound bridges on their side of the Hana Highway,” said Sen. English, “The highway is our lifeline to food, medicine, work, and our basic needs. Keeping the road safe for travel is vital for our residents and for our economy.”

7TH DISTRICT 2015 OPERATING GRANTS-IN-AID (GIA) AWARDEES

At the start of each session, nonprofit organizations can submit requests for grants and subsidies to the House and Senate Finance committees. The grants are awards, by an appropriation, of state funds by the Hawai'i State Legislature to support the activities of the organization that benefit their respective communities. The Legislature made the following 7th District awards:

- 1) **\$210,000 to Hale Mahaolu** to subsidize personal care services to disabled/chronically ill adults living in their own homes and the hourly cost of personal care services for these clients and to minimize their services waitlist. They will also provide referrals of personal care attendants to Maui County residents who qualify and are in need of affordable personal care services.
- 2) **\$125,000 to Hui Malama Learning Center** to continue offering programs and expand resources to at-risk students with work preparedness activities during and after school hours and on the weekends.
- 3) **\$102,680 to Ma Ka Hana Ka Ike**, which provides hands-on construction skills training program for at-risk youth in Hāna to expand by operating an infant and toddler program in Hāna since the greater community does not have a licensed child care facility.
- 4) **\$140,000 to Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc.** for the operation of the Hanai Project at Ke Kahua Site Farm. The funds will be used to maintain crops and tend the land to "feed the people" and ensure sustainable Hawaiian agricultural practices, provide struggling Maui County families with skills to support themselves and produce healthy foods, enhance cultural awareness, and to provide land to farmers who have no access to farmland and to

develop a farmers' market.

- 5) **\$927,532 to Maui Family Support Services, Inc. (MFSS)** for the restoration and expansion of services for families with 0-3 aged children and late-born. MFSS is a nationally accredited organization that has served families with young children on Lāna'i, Moloka'i and Maui for 34 years. They conduct outreach to promote positive birth and child outcomes and provides strength-based, culturally and linguistically relevant and participant based services to prevent child abuse and neglect.
- 6) **\$50,000 to Maui High School Booster Club** for the Maui High School Band Members, the color guard and a Halau to travel to Pasadena, California to participate in the 2015 Tournament of Roses parade. The school was invited to participate in the parade and is committed to raising the \$508,000 needed to fund their travel expenses. The opportunity to perform in a nationally televised venue will not only benefit the students, faculty and immediate Ohana, but will provide exposure to the entire community of Maui and what it has to offer.
- 7) **\$115,926 to Ho'okāko'o Corporation** to prevent the closure of Kualapu'u preschool and to sustain quality early childhood education and pre-kindergarten programming for the children of Moloka'i. This responds to the critical need to maintain quality early childhood education on Moloka'i that best prepares children for entry into Kindergarten and for educational success.

For a GIA application and more info. go to:
<http://capitol.hawaii.gov/GIA/2014GIA.aspx>

UNDERSTANDING POST-SESSION DEADLINES

By the adjournment of the Hawai'i State Legislature's 2014 Regular Session on May 1, the Legislature passed 245 bills of which, 116 were Senate Bills. Since then, the Governor has signed 150 Bills into law, the remaining bills still await his consideration.

Below are helpful post-session deadlines. For the latest status on a Bill, go to: <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/>

Notice of Intent to Veto Deadline: If the Governor has any intent to veto a bill, he must give notice to the Legislature of his plans by the 35th day after adjournment. This year, the 35th day after adjournment falls on *June 23, 2014*. Any bill on which notice is not given will become law, either by the Governor's signature within the next ten days or by effect of law on the 45th Day. The Governor's notification of intent to veto does not necessarily mean that a bill will be vetoed. The Governor can still change his mind and sign the bill, or simply not send it down on the 45th Day, in which case it becomes law without the Governor's signature.

Veto Deadline: After the Legislature adjourns, the Governor has 45 days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays) to consider bills presented to him, including those sent to him less than ten

days before adjournment. This year, *July 8, 2014* marks the 45th Day after adjournment and is the last day for the Governor to veto bills from his intent to veto list. Any bills not signed or vetoed by this date will become law without the Governor's signature.

Special Session: The Legislature may convene in special session to amend a returned bill to meet the Governor's objections or to override the Governor's vetoes. The Legislature may override a veto by two-thirds vote of all members to which each house is entitled.



ASIA-PACIFIC INSTITUTE FOR RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY (AIRS) WORKSHOP

Sen. English participated in the Asia-Pacific Institute of Resilience and Sustainability (AIRS) Workshop held on June 11-12, 2014 in Kaneohe, O'ahu. The workshop was part of an ongoing effort to bring together the initial partners from the Public, Private and Civil sectors to design the AIRS vision and model.

"Last session, I introduced **SB 2742**, a Bill relating to the establishment of the Pacific-Asia Institute for Resilience and Sustainability (PAIRS) that remarkably passed the Legislature in its first year of introduction and awaits action by the Governor," said Sen. English, "The measure creates a revolutionary and innovative public and private partnership for resilience and sustainability and contains the basic vision and goals articulated at the AIRS Workshop."

The PAIRS partnership is envisioned to provide an opportunity for a new generation of leaders who have the ability to learn from emerging trends and to meet global challenges. The partnership's multi-disciplinary and multi-sector approach to community resilience addresses a blind spot in the global discourse of how nations and the people in each nation respond to a wave of disruptive change that permeates throughout the world.

Upon the establishment of PAIRS, the office of the lieutenant



Sen. English delivers the Keynote address at the Pacific-Asia Institute for Resilience & Sustainability Workshop. Kaneohe, O'ahu. June 11, 2014.

governor shall act as the State's liaison, assisting the institute to: (1) Form partnerships with various entities from the public, private, and non-military sectors; (2) Facilitate three core initiatives, as follows: (A) Sustainability and the Environment, (B) Global leadership and capacity building, and (C) Critical community continuity, including cyber security, information assurance, security technology business and policy, and all levels of security awareness.

The institute may engage in activities to facilitate the achievement of the three core initiatives, using a multi-sector integration approach, as follows: Establishment of a named fellowship program; Establishment of an interdisciplinary executive master's degree program; and, the Formation of innovative hubs in the Pacific-Asia region to provide a platform for applied research and analysis, consensus building, and problem solving on a wide variety of issues.

"The PAIRS journey has already begun and I am proud to be one of its founders," said Sen. English, "More importantly, the Pacific-Asia Institute initializes and revolutionizes the discourse and reorientation towards a sustainable, resilient Pacific-Asia Region."

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For more info about SB 2742 go to: <http://legiscan.com/HI/sponsors/SB2742/2014>

"A revolutionary and innovative public and private partnership for resilience and sustainability."



Wesley Rhodes, Chief Technology Officer of NSRC, IBM; Amir Dossal, Special Rep. of the UN Secretary-General for Global Partnerships, Sen. English & Geoffrey Banister, Pres. Hawai'i Pacific University; AIRS Workshop. Kaneohe, O'ahu. June 12, 2014.



Amir A. Dossal, Special Rep. of the UN Secretary-General for Global Partnerships, Sen. English & Dr. Rich Berry, PACOM at AIRS Workshop. Kaneohe, O'ahu. June 12, 2014.

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MOLOKA'I VISIT

I enjoyed my recent visit to Moloka'i.
Mahalo to friends and family who
came out to greet me.



*Sen. English and Uncle Parker English.
Ho'olehua, Moloka'i. June 14, 2014.*

*A quick visit with my Doctor, Em-
mett Aluli. Kaunakakai, Moloka'i.
June 14, 2014.*



*Cousin Jeff English and his son.
Kaunakakai, Moloka'i. June 14, 2014.*



*Making O'io Gau Gee at Mapulehu,
Moloka'i. June 15, 2014.*



*Walter Rawlins & Sen. English at
Mapulehu, Moloka'i. June 15, 2014.*



*Manuwai Peters, Sen. English, Melody Alcon at Mapulehu,
Moloka'i. June 12, 2014.*