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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Hawaiʻi Island Burial Council

FROM: Traven Apiki, Burial Sites Specialist

RE: **Notification of the Next Hawaiʻi Island Burial Council Meeting**

The Hawaiʻi Island Burial Council meeting has been scheduled as follows:

Date: **Wednesday, October 7, 2026**
Time: **9:30 AM – 1:30 PM**
Place: **Online via Teams**
—AND—
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Conference Room
19 E. Kāwili Street
Hilo, HI 96720

Board members, staff, applicants, and testifiers can choose to participate either in-person or via ICT

Teams Meeting Link:
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AGENDA
HAWAIʻI ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: **Wednesday, October 7, 2026**
TIME: **9:30 AM – 1:30 PM**
PLACE: **Online via Zoom**
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This meeting will be held using interactive conference technology (ICT) under section 92-3.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). Board members, staff, applicants, testifiers, and the public can choose to participate in person, online via ICT, or by telephone at +1 253 215 8782.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PULE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

V. MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes for August 5, 2026.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Discussion Regarding Letter of Support Issued by Hawaii Island Burial Council Pertaining to the Repatriation of Carolyn Sue Harp and Ohana to Kaloko-Honokohau National Historic Park.

B. Discussion Regarding Letter from Hawai‘i Department of Transportation, Harbors, Dated August 8, 2026, Pertaining to Notification of Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact Kawaihae Commercial Harbor Improvements, South Kohala District, Island of Hawai‘i.

VII. INADVERTENT DISCOVERIES

A. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains on June 17, 21, and September 21, 2026, Exposed by Erosion on the Shoreline of Old Airport Beach, Lanihau Ahupua‘a, District of North Kona, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 7-5-005-007.

B. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains on June 20 and July 1, 2026, Exposed by Erosion on the Shoreline of Kamakahonu Beach, Lanihau Ahupua‘a, District of North Kona, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 7-5-006:032.

C. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains on September 9, 2026, Located at Honokohau 1 Ahupua‘a, District of North Kona, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 7-4-008:047.

D. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains on September 8, 2026, Exposed by Erosion on the Shoreline of Kohanaiki Ahupua‘a, District of North Kona, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 7-3-063:012.

E. Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains on September 10, 2026, Exposed by Erosion on the Shoreline of Honaunau Ahupua‘a, District of South Kona, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 8-4-013:014.

F. Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains on September 10, 2026, Exposed by Erosion on the Shoreline of Kealakekua Bay Ahupua‘a, District of South Kona, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 8-1-010:001.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion Regarding Update with the Burial Sites Working Group.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Determination of Lineal Descendancy Recognition Application of Carolyn Keala Norman to Kamaʻeokalani, SIHP # 50-10-37-16725, Feature A, Located at, Halekiʻi Ahupuaʻa, South Kona District, Island of Hawaiʻi, TMK: (3) 8-1-004:003.

B. Discussion and Determination Regarding Agenda Items for Future Meetings.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The SHPD is Seeking Updated Contact Information for All Recognized Lineal and Cultural Descendants.

B. The Next HIBC Meeting is Schedule for Wednesday, November 4, 2026, 9:30 A.M., TBD.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

To Provide Written Testimony: We encourage interested persons to submit written testimony in advance of the meeting, which will be distributed to Board members prior to the meeting and allow a timely review. Please submit written testimony via email to: traven.apiki@hawaii.gov. Written testimonies can also be mailed to 40 Pookela St. Hilo, HI 96720. Written testimonies may be posted upon the HIBC meeting website; as a precaution, please be mindful with any personal information prior to submitting unless you intend it to be shared. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the record and distributed to HIBC members as soon as practicable, but we cannot ensure the OIBC will receive it in sufficient time to review, prior to decision-making.

To Provide In-Person Oral Testimony: Attend in-person at: Division of Forestry and Wildlife Conference Room 19 E. Kāwili Street Hilo, HI 96720.

Pursuant to HRS § 92-3, all interested persons shall be afforded an opportunity to present oral testimony or submit data, views, or arguments, in writing on any agenda item. We request that oral testimony for items listed on the agenda is limited to three minutes per person, per agenda item.

The HIBC may go into Executive Session pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4) to consult with its attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Pursuant to HRS § 6E-43.5 HRS, the HIBC may go into a closed meeting to consider information that involves the location or description of a burial site. Pursuant to HRS § 92-2.5(d), if a meeting must be cancelled due to lack of quorum, the present council members may elect to continue to receive testimony and presentations on items on the agenda.

We kindly request that a request to be placed on a burial council meeting agenda may be made with the Burial Sites Program staff at least two weeks preceding the scheduled meeting date. In addition, the request must be accompanied by all related documents. Failure to comply with this procedure will delay the item to the following month's agenda.

Materials related to items on the agenda are available for review at the State Historic Preservation Division office located at 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 555, Kapolei, HI 96707 and online at https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/shpd/about/branches/ibc/meetings/.

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact our Burial Sites Specialist at traven.apiki@hawaii.gov or (808) 829-9322 as soon as possible.

Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled. Upon request, this agenda and other materials are available in alternate/accessible formats.