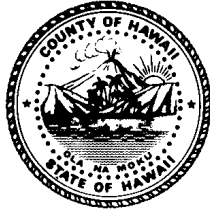


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NEWS RELEASE – Notice to Motorists

April 7, 2008

Ground Penetrating Radar Survey in Honoka`a to Locate Lava Tubes

The engineering consulting firm for the Honoka`a Large Capacity Cesspool Replacement Project will be performing a Ground Penetrating Radar Survey in the Honoka`a Town area during the period of April 9, 2008 to April 22, 2008 (weather permitting) in an effort to locate existing lava tubes which may be encountered in the area.

Ground Penetrating Radar is a non-intrusive, non-destructive means of locating and mapping underground utilities and also locating anomalies like lava tubes which can interfere with construction of the new County Sewer System to be installed in Honoka`a.

While traffic disruption is expected to be minimal, the survey may require temporary closure of a single lane of traffic and motorists are advised to be on the lookout for the work party.

The general areas to be surveyed are Mamane Street from the Honoka`a Civic Center to Lehua Street; Pakalana Street from the Honoka`a School to Mamane Street, and approximately 500 ft. on Lehua Street below Mamane St.

Should there be any comments or questions on the above please contact Dora Beck, P.E., Technical Services Chief with the Department of Environmental Management at 961-8028 (dbeck@co.hawaii.hi.us).