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### Waikaumalo Stream Bridge in Ninole closed May 5 for repairs

Waikaumalo Stream Bridge in Ninole/Hāmākua will be closed for repair work for one week beginning Monday, May 5, according to the County Department of Public Works.

The bridge is located on an unnamed road that branches off from Piha-Kahuku Homestead Road approximately two miles mauka of the Hawai'i Belt Road near Ninole.

Repair work is scheduled between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., and the bridge will be closed to vehicles during these hours, except for emergencies. Every effort will be made to have the bridge passable in the evenings and at night when repair work is not in progress. The project is expected to be completed in five working days, weather permitting.

The County of Hawai'i maintains 127 bridges, which are registered under the National Bridge Inventory, administered by the Federal Highway Administration. Waikaumalo is one of 28 wooden bridges that serve the communities in Puna, Hilo, Kohala, Kona, Hāmākua and Ka'ū.

For up-to-date information, please call the County hotline at 334-9559.