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OPERATIONAL CHANGES FOR THE HI-5 CERTIFIED REDEMPTION CENTERS AT WAIMEA, HILO, KEALAKEHE, AND VOLCANO

The Department of Environmental Management is informing the public that the Department of Health will no longer fund the HI-5 Certified Redemption Center (CRC) sites at the Waimea, Hilo, and Kealakehe transfer stations because there are operational CRCs within a short distance from the above-mentioned sites.

In addition, the Volcano CRC contract was put out for bid, and due to a lack of interest by the current Certified Redemption Center (CRC) vendors for Volcano no bids were submitted for the continued CRC service to this community. DEM was able to negotiate a 90-day time extension for the Volcano site, subject to the service date changing from Saturday to Thursday. DEM intends to put the contract out for bid again in hopes of getting interested vendors willing to bid for providing the service within available DOH funding.

- Volcano CRC, located at the Volcano Recycling and Transfer Station, last day of Saturday operations will be June 25, 2022. Beginning on July 7, services will be available on Thursdays during the extension period.
 - **Reason:** Vendor requests a date change due to staffing issues.
- Waimea CRC, located at the Waimea Recycling and Transfer Station, last day of operations Saturday, June 25, 2022.
 - **Reason: No funding** from State due to proximity to other CRCs.
- **Hilo CRC**, located at the Hilo Recycling and Transfer Station, last day of operations Wednesday, June 29, 2022.
 - Reason: No funding from State due to proximity to other CRCs.
- Kealakehe CRC, located at the Kealakehe Recycling and Transfer Station, last day of operations Wednesday, June 29, 2022.
 - **Reason: No funding** from State due to proximity to other CRCs.

Please see the schedule for Certified Recycling Center days of operations for these sites:

HILO CRC	Atlas Recycling	Mr. K's Recycle & Redemption
	30 Maka'ala Street	815 Kinoʻole Street, Hilo
	Mon - Fri: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Open Daily: 8:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.
	Sat & Sun: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	
KEALAKEHE CRC	Atlas Recycling	Atlas Recycling
	Queen Kaahumanu Highway	74-5600 Alapa Street
	Wed and Sat: 8:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	Mon – Fri: 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
		Sat & Sun: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
WAIMEA CRC	Atlas Recycling	Business Services Hawai'i
	64-1004 Māmalahoa Hwy.	Honoka'a Recycling and Transfer Station
	Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00 a.m 4:00 p.m. Sat: 9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	Sat & Sun: 8:00 a.m 3:30 p.m.

Mahalo for your continued efforts to protect the 'āina and keep Hawai'i Island beautiful.

For more information on HI-5 Certified Redemption Center locations or recycling, please visit hawaiizerowaste.org.