



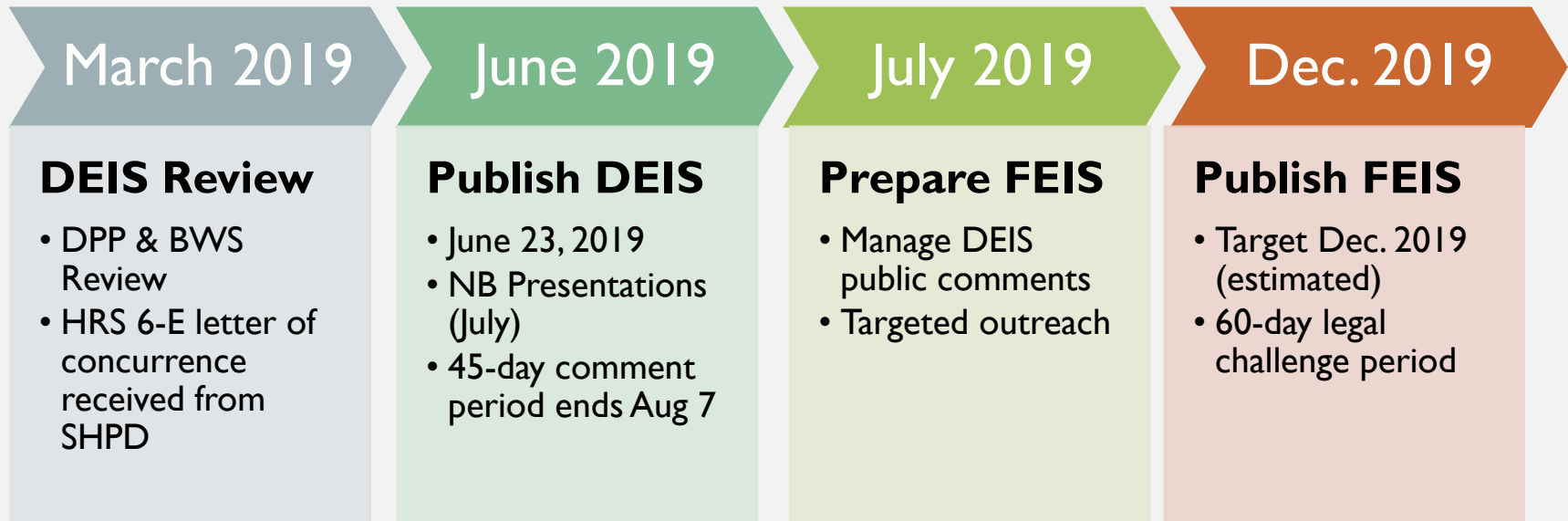
HA'IKŪ STAIRS DRAFT EIS

JULY 2019



Board of Water Supply

EIS SCHEDULE



DRAFT EIS

Chapter 1:
Summary

Chapter 2:
Purpose and Need

Chapter 3:
Project
Description

Chapter 4:
Environmental
Settings and
Impacts

Chapter 5:
Plans and Policies

Chapter 6:
Alternatives

Chapter 7:
Parties Consulted

Chapter 8:
References

Vol II: Appendices

Vol III & IV: Public
Comment and
Response Letters

CONSULTANT
STUDIES

Flora/Fauna
(Hui Kū Maoli
Ola)

Archaeology
(Keala Pono)

Cultural
(Keala Pono)

Historic
Architecture
(Chapman)

Noise (Y.
Ebisu)

Economic
(Plasch Econ
Pacific)

Structural
(Nakoa)

BWS OBJECTIVE TO ELIMINATE LIABILITY

*It is not in BWS' core mission to manage a recreational facility,
yet they carry liability for Ha'ikū Stairs.*

BWS can eliminate its organization's liability for Ha'ikū Stairs by:

- 1) Completely removing Ha'ikū Stairs
- 2) Conveying the property and Ha'ikū Stairs structure to another public agency or private interest



PROPOSED ACTION & ALTERNATIVES

PROPOSED ACTION IS REMOVE HA'IKŪ STAIRS

- The EIS Chapter 3, Project Description describes removal of Ha'ikū Stairs.
- Extraction of all modules (front and back stairs). Platforms and structures to remain in place.
- EIS Chapter 4, Environmental Impacts evaluates the action of removal.



ALTERNATIVE OPTION TO KEEP STAIRS

- EIS provides equal consideration of an Alternative that retains the stairs.
- The Conveyance Alternative is thoroughly described and evaluated in EIS Chapter 6, Alternatives.

EIS ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

No-Action

- BWS maintains ownership.
- No additional repairs, condition would degrade.
- Ongoing liability exposure. Costs detract from BWS core mission.

Partial Removal

- Remove approx. 1,000 feet of stairs up to first landing platform.
- Cost-effective solution to reduce liability to BWS from Ha'ikū.
- Ongoing liability - Hikers could still trespass in from Moanalua Valley.

Conveyance

- Convey Ha'ikū Stairs and underlying land to public/private entity.
- Requires legal access route and managed access plan.
- Allows BWS to divest liability and focus on their core mission.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED BUT DISMISSED

Third Party Operator

- BWS would own Ha'ikū Stairs and underlying parcel.
- A qualified third-party entity would operate and manage the stairs.

DISMISSED

BWS would own land, have ongoing liability, and divert resources from core mission.

Subdivision

- BWS would subdivide the stairs corridor from larger TMK and transfer to a qualified public entity, or sell to a private buyer.
- A qualified third-party entity would operate and manage Ha'ikū Stairs.

DISMISSED

Added cost & delay. Whole parcel transfer more efficient. No BWS plans for rest of land.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

HRS 6-E



Significant
Historic Property



Effect with
Mitigation



Preservation or
Removal/
Documentation

ECONOMIC AND FISCAL IMPACTS

Projected impacts to City and State over a 21-year Analysis Period

NO-ACTION

- No construction costs
- Security costs continue

PROPOSED ACTION

- Cost of full stair removal

PARTIAL REMOVAL

- Cost of partial stair removal

CONVEYANCE

- Expenditure by agency is \$800,000 to improve access route. Cost to be reimbursed by operator.
- Operator pays for stair restoration.
- Hiking operation revenues offset City costs.
- Tax revenues to State.

No-Action

- BWS cost \$4 million

Proposed Action

- BWS cost \$942,000

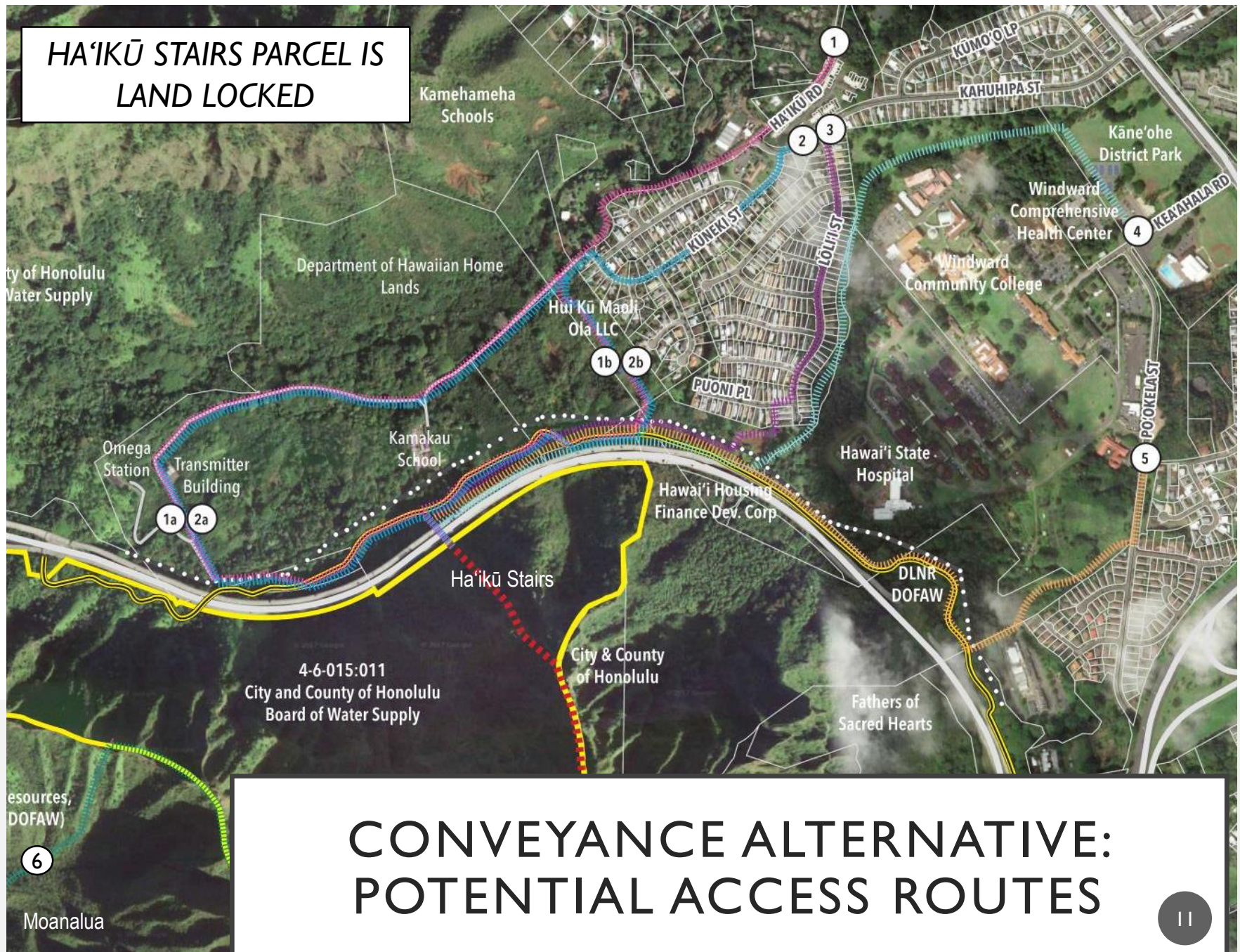
Partial Removal

- BWS cost \$190,000

Convey-
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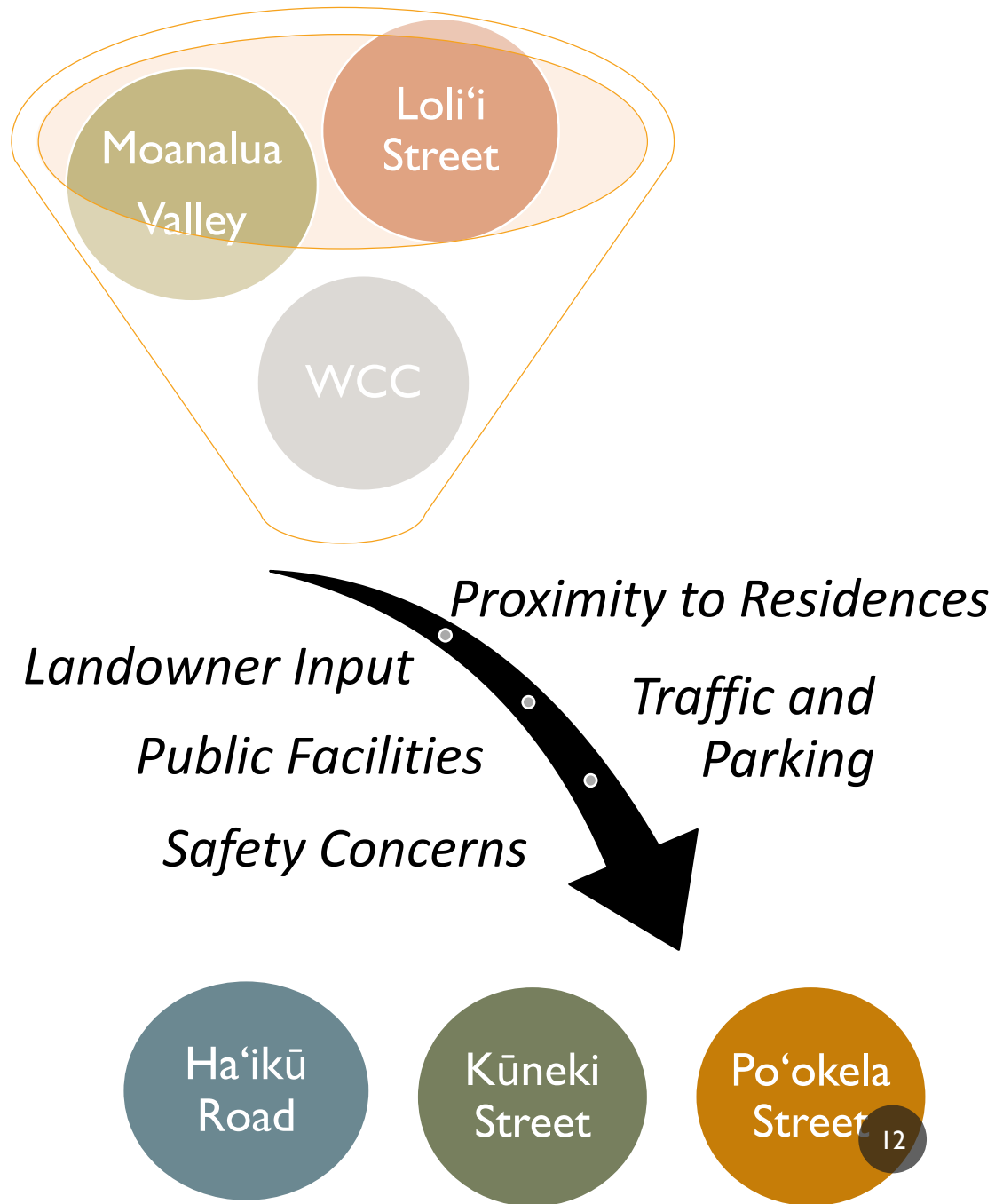
- Income \$1.2 million

HA'IKŪ STAIRS PARCEL IS LAND LOCKED



CONVEYANCE ALTERNATIVE: POTENTIAL ACCESS ROUTES

CONVEYANCE
ALTERNATIVE:
POTENTIAL
ACCESS
ROUTES



CONVEYANCE ALTERNATIVE: CANDIDATE POTENTIAL ACCESS ROUTES

- 1) HA'IKŪ ROAD
- 2) KŪNEKI STREET
- 3) PO'OKELA STREET



LEGEND

 Project TMK	 State of Hawai'i	 C&C of Honolulu BWS	 Fence
 TMK Parcels	 State - DHHL	 Kamehameha Schools	 DOT Maintenance Path
 County Park	 C&C of Honolulu	 Approx. Route of Stairs	

ACCESS OPTIONS

- ① Ha'ikū Road
- ② Kūneki Street
- ③ Po'okela Street

*Note: Tax records indicate parcels owned by both State and County



ACCESS ROUTE RANKING



RANKING CRITERIA



Landowner discussions



Impacts to
community

- Traffic and parking
- Proximity to residences



Availability of public facilities



Safe, feasible path to stairs

HIGHEST RANKED ACCESS ROUTE: PO'OKELA STREET



EIS PATHWAY

EIS Preparation Notice (April 2017)

- After publication of the EISPN, the project team met with over 30 agencies, elected officials, and community groups.

Draft EIS (June 2019)

- Kāneʻohe Neighborhood Board
- Landowners (DOT, DHHL, DLNR)
- State and City Agencies (DPR, DES, Corporation Counsel, OCCL)
- Community Groups
- Elected officials (Mayor, CM Anderson, Council Chair, State Senators, State House Reps)

Final EIS (December 2019 est.)

- Follow up with community groups, agencies, elected officials, and stakeholders are planned after publication of the FEIS.
- EIS Accepting Authority, Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP)

Recommendations to BWS Board (Early 2020)



COMMENT PERIOD

June 23, 2019 - August 7, 2019



SUBMIT A COMMENT

<https://hbws.me/haiku>

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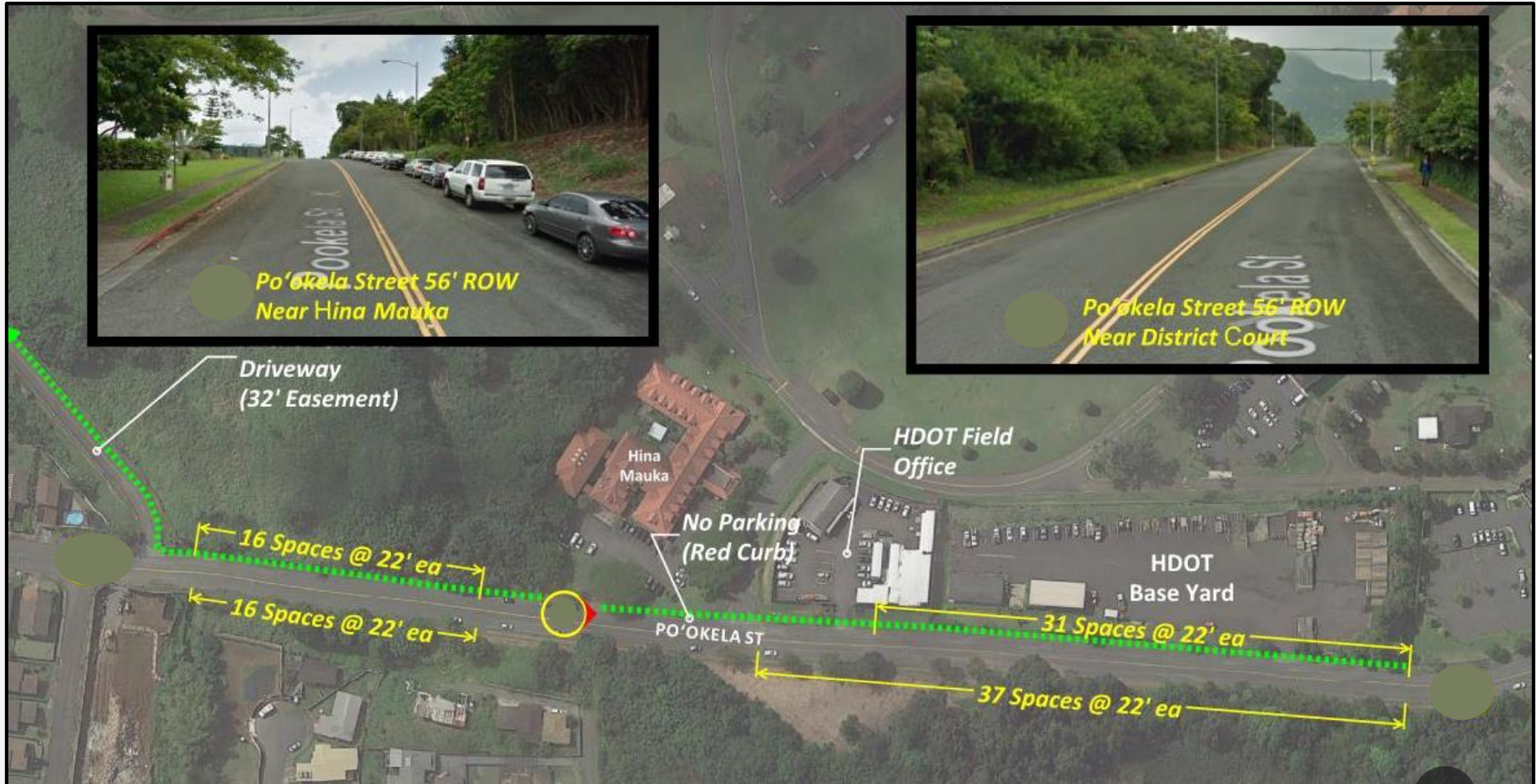
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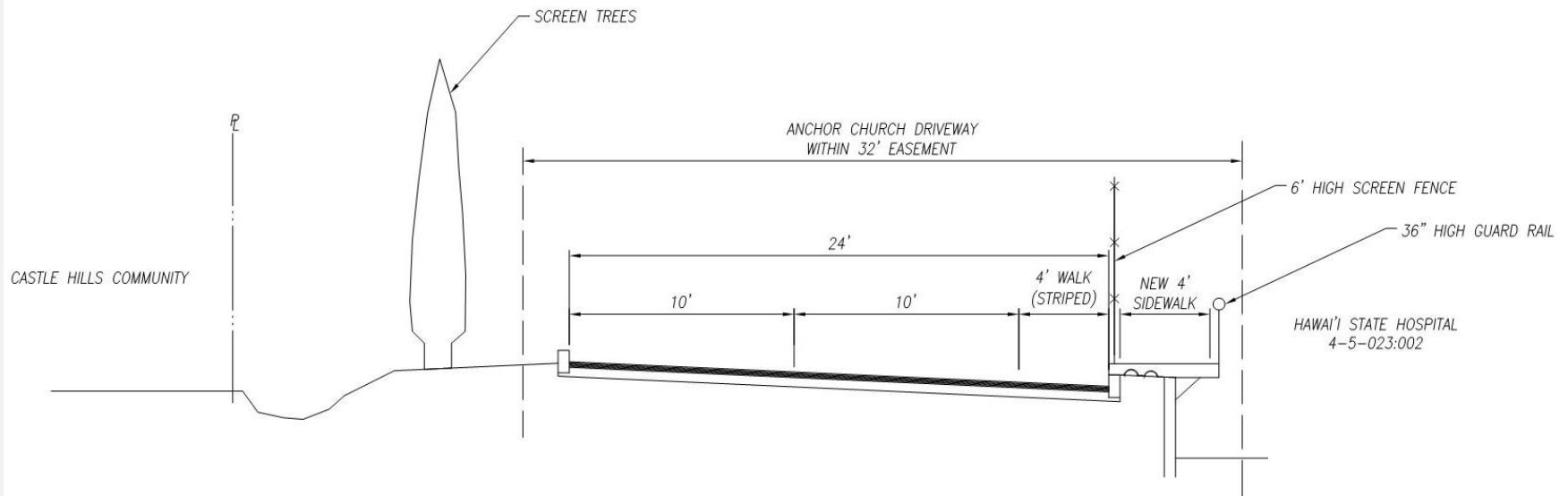


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PREFERRED POTENTIAL ACCESS ROUTE (PO'OKELA STREET)



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ANCHOR CHURCH DRIVEWAY - LOOKING UPHILL
CONCEPT NOT TO SCALE

PREFERRED POTENTIAL ACCESS ROUTE (PO'OKELA STREET)



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