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**GROUNDBREAKING FOR NEW INTERISLAND  
MAINTENANCE FACILITY AT HONOLULU INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT**

HONOLULU – The state Department of Transportation today broke ground on site preparation for a new Interisland Maintenance Facility at Honolulu International Airport.

The project will ultimately include construction of four new aircraft aprons that can accommodate up to four wide-body aircraft (i.e. 767, 747) or eight narrow-body aircraft (i.e. 737), a utility building, high-mast lighting, airfield drainage, a 400-hertz generation and distribution system, a hydrant fueling system, and a graded site for the new Interisland Maintenance Facility (see attached picture).

The new Interisland Maintenance Facility is located on undeveloped land directly west of the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station No. 1 and parallel to Taxiway A.

“The new Interisland Maintenance Facility is part of the state’s \$2.3 billion, multi-year plan to modernize our airports on all islands,” said Transportation Director Brennon Morioka. “The existing Interisland Aircraft Maintenance hanger has been shared by carriers for nearly 40 years and has long outlasted its economic life. This new facility will enable us to meet current and future needs and demands.”

This project will complete the site preparation for a future maintenance hanger building, which will be constructed on this site under a separate project beginning in 2009. The new Interisland Maintenance Facility will be built on the mauka side of the project site. The maintenance facility’s construction type will be similar to the existing facility and sized to accommodate new aircraft requirements.

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“This project kicks off the development of the Elliott Street area on the ‘Ewa side of the airport,” said DOT Deputy Director for Airports Brian Sekiguchi. “It begins a major consolidation and replacement of existing structures that will need to be demolished to accommodate the planned widening of Taxiways G and L, as well as the expansion and modernization of the Concourses.”

The state DOT earlier this year selected contractor Kiewit Pacific to complete the site preparation for the new Interisland Maintenance Facility. \$25 million will fund the first phase of the project. The project is slated for completion in April 2010.

The construction of the new Interisland Maintenance Facility supports the Lingle-Aiona Administration’s five-point economic action plan ([www.hawaii.gov/gov/economy](http://www.hawaii.gov/gov/economy)) to stimulate the economy through increased investments in state capital improvement projects. Other highlights of the plan include maximizing federal funds and partnerships, increasing tourism marketing, lowering fees and taxes and attracting private investments, especially in energy technology.



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