

Finding Aid for  
ACQUISITION OF CRATER HILL AND MOKOLEA POINT  
To  
KILAUEA POINT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

KAUA'I HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Lihu'e Kaua'i, Hawai'i

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The Crater Hill Collection - 2

### Abstract

The Crater Hill Collection was gifted to the Kaua'i Historical Society in 1994 by JoAnn A. Yukimura while she served as a member of the County Council of Kaua'i. It includes legal documents, correspondence, articles, newspaper clippings, photographs, slides and miscellaneous papers associated with the acquisition of Crater Hill and Mokolea Point (Kilauea area of Kaua'i) to the Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge.

### History

In the early 1970's several pairs of Laysan albatross attempted to establish a nesting colony in the Crater Hill area near Kilauea, Kaua'i. Previous to this the species was almost totally confined to the northwestern Hawaiian Islands with a few birds nesting on Niihau. However, attempts by the birds to establish a colony were hampered by vandals and dogs. A 1973 memorandum by the Nature Conservancy noted that Fred Zeillemaker, assistant refuge manager on Kauai, initiated interest in acquiring and adding the Crater Hill area of Kilauea point to the Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge. This started the ball rolling on a long process culminating in the passage of legislation which authorized acquisition of Crater Hill (approximately 101.1 acres) and Mokolea Point ( 37.6) for the Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge.

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## Scope and Content

### Correspondence 1978 – 1988

The correspondence files involve communications from the following: Department of Interior; Kauai County Planning Department; Kauai County Council; Kilauea Neighborhood Association; The Trust of Public Land; The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii; House of Representatives (Congress of the United States); Masuoka & Hong (attorneys); Bennett Johnston; United States Senate; Hawaii Audubon Society; The Conservation Council for Hawaii; United States Department of the Interior; North Shore Association; Crater Hill Coalition; Hawaii Visitors Bureau; The Hallstrom Appraisal Group, Inc.; Senate the Fourteenth Legislature of the State of Hawaii; Sierra Club, Kauai Group of the Hawaii Chapter; John Waihee, Governor of Hawaii; Bali Hai Realty; Steven J. Stanwyck (lawyer); and Pali Moana Company.

### Documents

Dated legal document involve those of: Kauai Planning Commission, 1979; Roberson Statement to Kauai County Planning Commission, 1981; Testimony presented by Jerry Leinecke representing the Pacific Island Administrator for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1984; Application of Roberson Larson Partnership for Amendments to Conditions of Approval of Special Management Area Use Permit SMA (U)-82-2, 1984; Kauai County Council Resolution Supporting Federal Acquisition of Crater Hill Coastal Wildlands Area, 1986; Reports by the Hawaii House of Representatives' Committee on Water, Land Use Development and Hawaiian Affairs on the acquisition of the Crater Hill Coastal Wetlands, 1987 ; Title Guaranty of Hawaii's Status Title Report, 1987; Report of the United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works on adding additional lands to the Kilauea Point Wildlife Refuge on Kauai, 1987; Optional Agreement between the Pali Moana Company and the Trust for Public Land, 1986; Congressional Record United States Senate 1988; and a Description of Seacliff Plantation at Kilauea Bay, 1988. The following documents have no dates: Proposed Expansion of Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge Supplemental Information; Conservation Council for Hawaii Resolutions regarding Crater Hill and Mokolea Point; and, United States Senate Bill to add additional lands to the Kilauea Point Wildlife Refuge on Kauai.

### Articles and Handbook

Articles include the following: Nature Conservancy Plans for Kilauea Point Acquisition, 1978; U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge Manual, 1982; U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge Fact Sheet, 1987; Congressional Record, 1987; Crater Hill/Mokolea Point, Hawaii, Resource Information, 1987; The Land and Water Conservation Fund Conservative Alternative for Fiscal Year 1988; Recreation

Program Handbook, Proposed Expansion and Development of the State Park System, Island of Kaua'i, 1977.

Photographs and Slides

Photographs include a color eight inch by ten inch photo of the Kilauea Wildlife Refuge including Crater Hill and Mokolea Point, taken from the east looking west and a color three and one half inch by five and one half inch photo of Mokolea Point taken from the west looking east. There are seven slides of Laysan Albatross and eleven slides of the Kilauea Wildlife Refuge.

Newspaper Clippings

Dated newspaper clippings are from the following: The Garden Island (1978, 1986, and 1987); U. S. Fish and Wildlife News Release, 1987; Crater Hill Coalition, 1987; The Honolulu Advertiser, 1987; the Wall Street Journal, 1987; The Honolulu Star Bulletin, 1987, 1988; and the Kauai Times, 1988. Clippings without dates are from the following: The Garden Island; Alexander & Baldwin, Inc. Magazine and Hawaii Nature Focus.

Miscellaneous

Dated miscellaneous papers include: Capital Improvement Expenditures, 1984-1985; Hawaii Projects, 1987; U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service Approved Land and Water Conservation Fund National Priority List, 1987; Donations-Mokolea Point 1987 and various notes about the acquisition of Crater Hill and Mokolea Point to the Kilauea Wildlife Refuge. Papers with no dates include: a letter to the Kilauea Point Association Volunteer; a map of Crater Hill properties; standing Senate committees; Key Management Agreement Issues on Crater Hill; U. S. Fish and Wildlife Services-Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge-Mokolea Point; Kilauea Management Co. – Beta Pacific, Inc. Realtors; Public Support for Crater Hill/ Mokolea Point Acquisition; Heather's Calculations-Crater Hill; blank form, and miscellaneous notes.

Inventory List

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File

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- 3 Documents
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