

Traffic Emergency Zone Declaration

Kalanianaʻole Highway (Route 72), Vicinity of
Halona Lookout

Agenda

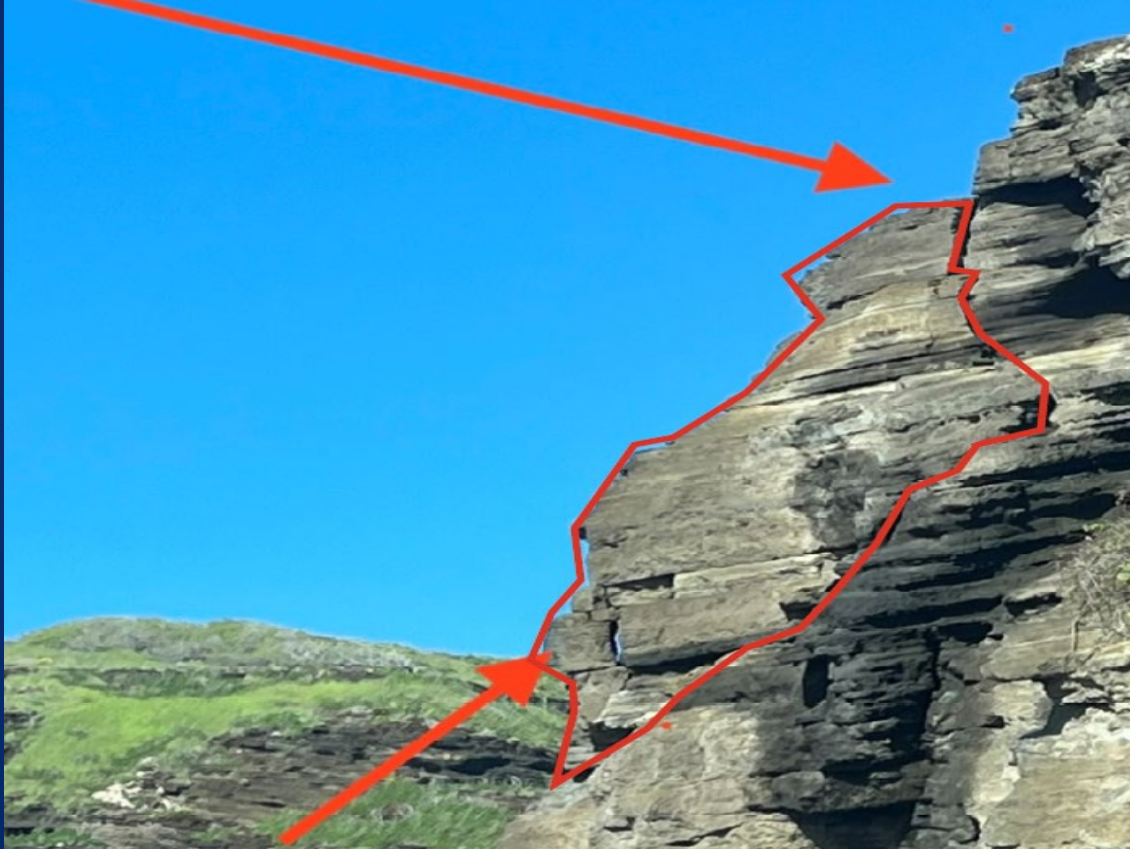
- Traffic Emergency Zone
 - What is a traffic emergency zone?
 - What does the establishment of a traffic emergency zone do?
 - Why is HDOT declaring Kalanianaʻole Highway near Halona Lookout a traffic emergency zone?
- Mitigation
 - Current status
 - Rockfall mitigation plan
 - Schedule

Traffic Emergency Zones

- Hawaii Revised Statutes Section 264-1.5 authorizes the Governor or the State Director of Transportation to designate a state highway as a “traffic emergency zone.”
- This allows for expedited procurement and waives certain permitting requirements.

[§264-1.5] Emergency powers; traffic emergency zones. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if the governor or state director of transportation, in the case of a state highway, or the mayor of a county or the county director of transportation, in the case of a county highway, determines that substantial endangerment to public health and safety is or is highly likely to be caused by the temporary closure of, or the lack of adequate access to an area by, a county highway or a state highway as defined under section 264-1(a), which requires immediate action, the governor or state director of transportation, in the case of a state highway, or a mayor of a county or the county director of transportation, in the case of a county highway, without a public hearing, may designate the area to be a traffic emergency zone, and may take any action that may be necessary until access to the designated area has been established. The designation shall fix a place and time, not later than twenty-four hours after the designation, for a hearing to be held before the state director of transportation, or the county director of transportation.

Rockfall Mitigation



- Emergency procurement will allow for preventative action.
- Contractor will dislodge approximately 100 cubic yards of rock material.
- The highway must be fully closed between Lanai Lookout and Halona Lookout during the rock scaling for safety.
- Work can be scheduled Monday night.

Questions?