2016 International Union for Conservation of Nature
and Natural Resources (IUCN)
World Conservation Congress
C&C of Honolulu – Update FAQ
July 7, 2016

The World Conservation Congress will be held in Honolulu from September 1-10, 2016, at venues including the Hawaii Convention Center and the Neal S. Blaisdell Center. The Congress will bring together more than 8,000 attendees from 170 countries to discuss the most challenging issues for conservation.

The City and County of Honolulu wants to ensure that our Oahu residents are informed and aware of what to expect in regards to traffic, security, pedestrian access and park usage that could affect their communities.

Be aware that from Monday, August 29th through Friday, September 2nd, vehicular traffic will be impacted by the installation of traffic control devices, pedestrian sidewalk closures and parking and security measures in and around the Hawaii Convention Center and the Neal S. Blaisdell Center. These measures include:

Traffic

- **August 29-30, 2016 (Mon-Tues) 8:30AM to 3:30PM** - Inspection and securing of manholes and underground utility boxes
- **August 30-31, 2016 (Tues-Wed) 10:00PM to 5:00AM** - Installation of traffic control devices on Kapiolani Blvd. and Ward Ave. When completed, all ewa bound lanes of Kapiolani Blvd. between Kamake‘e St. and Ward Ave. will remain closed until Friday, September 2, 2016. In addition, the mauka sidewalk between Kamake‘e St. and Ward Ave. and the Ward Ave. Kokohead sidewalk between Kapiolani Blvd. and King St. will be closed to pedestrian access also until Friday, September 2, 2016.
- **September 1, 2016 (Thurs) 5:00AM to 11:00PM** – The following road closures will be in effect:
  **Neal S. Blaisdell Center area;**
  - Victoria St., all makai bound lanes between Beretania St. & King St.
  - Ward Ave., all mauka bound lanes between Kapiolani Blvd. & King St.

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- King St., makai curb lane between Ward Ave. & McKinley High School Driveway.

**Hawaii Convention Center Area:**
- Atkinson Dr., mauka bound curb lane between Mahukona St. & Kapiolani Blvd.
- Kapiolani Blvd., Kokohead bound curb lane between Atkinson Dr. & Kalakaua Ave.
- Kalakaua Ave., makai bound curb lane between Kapiolani Blvd. & Ala Wai Canal Bridge.

- **September 2, 2016 (Fri) 8:30AM to 3:30PM** – Removal of traffic control devices along Kapiolani Blvd. and Ward Ave. as well as opening of all pedestrian walkways previously closed.

**Contraflow**

- **September 1, 2016 (Thurs)** – **NO** morning peak contraflow on Ward Ave. or Kapiolani Blvd.
- **September 1, 2016 (Thurs)** – Kapiolani Blvd. afternoon peak contraflow will start after Kalakaua Blvd.

**Ala Wai Canal and Ala Wai Promenade**

- **September 1-10, 2016** – The Ala Wai Promenade as well as the Ala Wai Canal between Kalakaua Ave. and Ala Moana Blvd. will be closed to pedestrian traffic as well as marine activity.

**The Bus**

- **August 30 (Tues) 10:00PM to September 2 (Fri) 3:30PM, 2016** the following bus stops will be relocated:
  
  - **Bus Stop #431** – Kapiolani Blvd., mauka side, across/farside Kamake‘e St. will be closed and relocated to across/nearside Kamake‘e St. Re-open when sidewalk & curb lanes are opened on September 2nd.

  - **Bus Stop #433** – Kapiolani Blvd, mauka side, nearside Ward Ave. will be closed and relocate to farside Ward Ave. Re-open when sidewalk & curb lanes are opened on September 2nd.

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- **Bus Stop #135**, King St., farside Ward Ave. fronting NBC Concert Hall will be closed and riders directed to use **Bus Stop #133**, King St, nearside Cooke St. or **Bus Stop #137**, King St., nearside Pensacola St. Re-open when sidewalk & curb lanes are opened on September 1st (Fri).

**Parks**

**September 1, 2016**, the Magic Island entire parking lot and green space will be closed to the public.

From **September 1-10, 2016**, the following City parks and parking areas will be **closed to the public**:

- McCoy Pavilion and the “Keyhole” Parking area.
- Ala Wai Community Park building and parking lot. Ala Wai Park and baseball field will remain open.

**Public Information Updates**

Residents and visitors are urged to sign up for Nixle email and cell phone text messages to receive traffic advisories and other important information during the World Conservation Congress. You can sign-up for an account at [www.NIXLE.com](http://www.NIXLE.com). As long as you have unlimited text messaging Nixle is a free service to access.

Please note. This information could change or be modified as we near the opening of the World Conservation Congress. Updates will be posted to the Department of Emergency Management website at [www.oahudem.org](http://www.oahudem.org) as they become available.

Questions? Contact the Department of Emergency Management’s Public Information Office by phone at 808-723-8960 or email to jcumings@hnl.gov.

We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.
**Red:** Restricted traffic 8/30 – 8/31
11:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.
Restricted traffic 9/1
5:00 a.m. – 11 p.m.
Restricted traffic 9/2
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Green:** Restricted traffic 8/30 – 8/31
11:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.
Restricted traffic 9/2
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Orange:** Restricted traffic 9/1
5:00 a.m. – 11 p.m.

**Bus Stop relocations/closure**
Sidewalks closures around Blaisdell Arena