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## News Release

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### **PUBLIC LISTENING SESSIONS FOR TREATMENT OPTIONS OF NATIONAL REGISTER SITE NUMBER 50-20-97-110 FEATURE BU ON KAHO'OLAWE**

The island of Kaho'olawe was placed on the national Register of Historic Places. Since that time, the island's archaeological remains have been exposed to the continuing deleterious effects of erosion and weather.

Feature BU of National Register Site Number 50-20-97-110, also known as Loa'a or Pōkāneloa, is a collection of petroglyphs and cupules located on the top surface of a large flat boulder. This 3m by 4m boulder is located along a severely eroded gulch in the hardpan area of the south eastern quadrant of the island. Various studies have been done on the boulder and have suggested that it may possess an archaeological significance in Hawaiian culture.

Public listening sessions will be held on both Maui and O'ahu in an effort to gather input for a site protection plan from stakeholders and those interested in the management of cultural and historic sites on Kaho'olawe.

#### **O'ahu**

**6:00 pm till 9:00 pm**  
**Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
**at the DLNR Board Room 132**  
**Kalanimoku Building**  
**1151 Punchbowl St.**  
**Honolulu, HI. 96813**

and

#### **Maui**

**9:00 am till 12:00pm**  
**Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
**at Pōmaika'i Elementary School**  
**Dining Facility**  
**4650 South Kamehameha Avenue**  
**Kahului, HI 96732**

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The Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission is responsible for the care and protection of Kaho'olawe's cultural resources which include archaeological and historic remnants of the island's early inhabitants and for expanding the meaningful cultural use of the island.