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DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS MOLOKA'I WATER RESERVOIR TANKS VANDALIZED

Public urged to seek alternative water source for drinking, cooking and washing

HO`OLEHUA, MOLOKA'I – The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) discovered today that both of their 3.5-million-gallon water storage tanks in Ho`olehua on the island of Moloka'i have been vandalized.

The Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) has been notified and is currently expediting water quality analyses at their State laboratory facilities to identify any potential contaminants.

Until the DOH completes their analyses, it is strongly recommended that residents seek **alternative water sources** for:

- Drinking
- Brushing teeth
- Hand washing
- Cooking
- Dishwashing
- Bathing

The DHHL is providing safe drinking potable water from the fire hydrant next to the Kulana 'Ōiwi Conference Room located at 600 Maunaloa Highway for all Ho`olehua water system consumers.

The DHHL is notifying Ho`olehua water system consumers individually. This notice will remain in effect until the DOH and DHHL receive water quality results. The health and safety of the Ho`olehua water system consumers is of the utmost importance to the DHHL.

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