## WATER MATTERS

Safe, dependable, and affordable water, now and into the future



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## Independent review nets clean audit for BWS

Each year, the BWS submits its financial statements to an independent auditor who examines our financial records and transactions to identify any deficiencies or conflicts of interest, and to ensure the integrity of the audit.

This year, the audit was conducted by N&K CPAs, Inc., who found no significant or material financial deficiencies.

The audit and other BWS financial data is available on boardofwatersupply.com. Click on "About Us" at the bottom of the page, and then on "Department Financial Statements," or **hbws.me/fin**.

## Important: Don't block your water meter box



#### Cars and boats

The last issue of *Water Matters* covered the BWS' ongoing meter transponder unit replacement project to increase the efficiency of our automated meter reading (AMR) process. It is important to note that if the meter box cover is blocked by an object, this interferes with the radio signal used to pick up the AMR reading.

#### Construction signage

Meter boxes have been covered by items such as cars, plants, rubbish bins, household appliances, and other items, making it challenging for water data collection clerks to get drive-by or even manual meter readings. Here are some of the more unusual items that they've encountered:

#### Pile of rocks

- Boats
- · Construction warning signage
- Pile of rocks

Please keep your meter box clear of items whenever possible; this helps our staff to complete meter reading routes in a timely and efficient manner. Mahalo!

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MARCH 16-22 2020 hbws.me/dal

## Make time to check for leaks this week, and every week!

#### FREE DYE TABLETS Mark your



calendars for Detect-A-Leak Week, March 16-22, 2020! During Detect-

A-Leak Week, please join us and Hardware Hawaii in chasing down leaks at home or work and fixing them promptly.

Free toilet leak detection dye tablets will be available to the public during Detect-A-Leak Week at:

- Board of Water Supply Public Service Building at 630 S. Beretania Street
- Satellite City Halls
- Hardware Hawaii locations

Extend your leak detection efforts beyond Detect-A-Leak Week. After all, finding and fixing leaks inside and outside your home helps to conserve water and save money all year long.

For more leak detection information visit **hbws.me/dal** or call 748-5041.

### No hiking allowed at Waihee Valley and Hamama Falls



There is NO legal access to Hamama Falls and Waihee Valley.

The BWS reminds everyone that it is illegal to hike in the back of Waihee Valley to access Hamama Falls on the Windward side of Oahu. The area is located on watershed lands owned and/or managed by the BWS. Anyone attempting to reach these locations would be trespassing. Those issued a citation by the Honolulu Police Department are required to make a court appearance and may face fines up to \$2,000, community service, and/or up to six months in prison.\* \*ROH §§ 40-3.1 and 40-3.4 (2019)

This hiking restriction also applies to Haiku Stairs, Kalihi Ice Ponds, and Nuuanu Reservoir No. 4.

Check out hawaiitrails.hawaii.gov for open and legal trails to hike.





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