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Cleanup day rescheduled for Kahalu‘u Beach Park *Community service event also includes fishpond repairs*

KAILUA-KONA, Hawai‘i—January 29, 2013—A community cleanup day for Kahalu‘u Beach Park that was postponed due to high surf has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 2. The new event now includes two volunteer opportunities: a project to repair the rock wall surrounding the onsite fishpond from 8 a.m. to noon and the cleanup of the beach area from 10 a.m. to noon.

Island residents and area visitors are invited to participate. The [Kahalu‘u Bay Education Center \(KBEC\)](#) and the [Hawai‘i County Department of Parks & Recreation](#) are facilitating the event. [Starbucks](#) will provide refreshments.

The fishpond project will include repairs to the rock wall and removal of vegetation. Persons interested in participating in this project should arrive by 8 a.m., bring work gloves, and wear sturdy shoes or boots. Volunteers interested in the beach cleanup should arrive by 10 a.m.; work gloves and trash bags will be provided. All interested volunteers are encouraged to sign up at <http://bit.ly/X8ZY3N>.

Kahalu‘u Bay, one of the island’s premier snorkeling and reef encounter sites, offers some of the finest fish and green sea turtle viewing in the state. More than 400,000 tourists and island residents visit the park each year.

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