

CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENT

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HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY HOSTS LECTURE: "First Wind: Clean Energy, Made Here"

The Sanctuary Lecture Series presents Carolyn Unser, the community outreach coordinator for First Wind, which operates wind farms on Oʻahu and Maui. Carolyn conducts grassroots community outreach and works collaboratively with community leaders, citizens, and project stakeholders. She leads tours of the wind power projects, offers educational opportunities and experiences for the public, and ensures that First Wind's projects are supporting and beneficial to the communities in which they operate. Prior to joining First Wind, she worked at SWCA Environmental Consultants as an environmental scientist where she assisted with the biological assessments of First Wind's wind power sites on Oʻahu and as a permit compliance monitor during their construction. As a resident of Oʻahu's North Shore, Carolyn lives in the community that she serves.

WHAT: Sanctuary Lecture Series

WHEN: Tuesday October 22, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Kihei Conference Room, 726 S. Kihei Rd.

WHO: Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary

The sanctuary is administered by a partnership of NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries and the State of Hawai'i through the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). The sanctuary works to protect humpback whales through research, education, conservation and stewardship. Join us on <u>Facebook</u>.

DLNR's mission is to enhance, protect, conserve and manage Hawaii's unique and limited natural, cultural and historic resources held in public trust for current and future generations of visitors and the people of Hawai'i nei. Join us on Facebook.

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On the Web:

Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary: http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov

NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries: http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov

State of Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources: http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/