

# **Board of Water Supply Facilities Tour Program**

Pure Water - Our Greatest Need, Learn To Use It Wisely

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## Hālawa Xeriscape Garden

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# Waihe'e Tunnel Tour

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## Speaker Requests, Community Events & School Visits

The BWS accepts requests for speakers at schools and community events. Speakers available on various water related topics: water cycle, conservation, water quality, jobs/careers and others. Requests should be made a minimum of three weeks in advance and depends on speaker availability.

Group tour reservation requests required a minimum of three weeks in advance. Tour appointments may be made up to one year in advance.

## Group Tour Minimum & Maximum Counts:

#### · All group tours require a minimum of ten persons.

- · Group maximums depend on specific tour and BWS staff availability:
  - Hālawa Xeriscape Garden Tour 60 persons maximum
  - Waihe'e Tunnel Tour 30 persons maximum.

### **Dress Code:**

- Casual and comfortable attire: t-shirts, shorts or long pants are recommended.
- Outdoor tours: rain jacket/poncho, sunscreen and insect repellent are highly recommended.
- Covered footwear (i.e. shoes or sneakers) required for all tours. No high heels or bare feet allowed
- Waihe'e Tunnel tour: (tunnel portion only) rubber boots/slippers, old shoes, "croc"-type sandals, or reef walkers. Absolutely no bare feet.

# **Increased Security Requirement Procedures Implemented:**

- A complete group name list must be received by BWS Communications Office **no later than one week prior to tour date**. Add-ons not allowed within one-week period prior to tour date.
- ALL tour members are required to submit full name and home address (No P.O. boxes), sign BWS Consent of Entry (liability waiver) Form and have a valid photo identification card.

Other restrictions may be imposed by the BWS in the interest of public safety, which may include cancellation of tours without notification and/or re-booking. BWS reserves the right to refuse entry and/or tour to any person(s) who demonstrates reckless or irresponsible behavior; and/or any individual where health and safety concerns may be jeopardized and/or questioned for themselves and/or others.



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