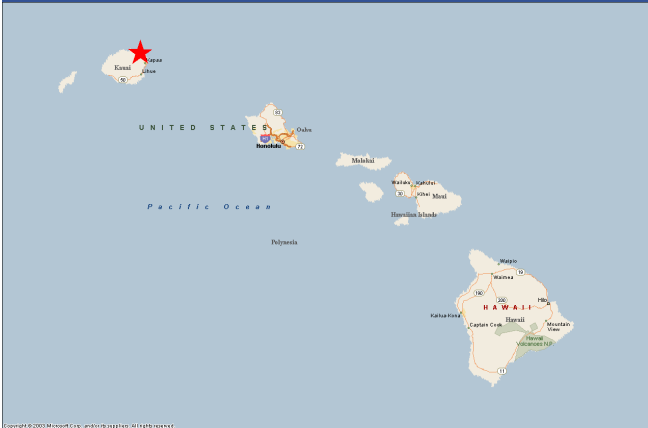




# Incident Monitoring Center



Microsoft MapPoint 2004

## ALERT SUMMARY: KILAUEA DAM BREAK

**DATE**  
March 14, 2006

**TIME**  
5:00 am HST

**LOCATION**  
Ka Loko Dam  
Kilauea, Hawaii

### INCIDENT SITUATION

Heavy rains caused a 250-foot wide breach of the Ka Loko Dam in Kilauea, Kauai on March 14, 2006. 18-foot waves washed through a local road and onto the Kuhio Highway, destroying two homes in its path. Seven people were reported missing. Kauai Mayor, Bryan Baptiste, declared a state of emergency and Hawaii Governor Linda Lingle gave the authorization to destroy any dams or reservoirs that threatened public safety. Voluntary evacuations were conducted in Koloa, Kalaheo, and Waimea until the areas were declared safe. Three bodies were eventually found and authorities ended the search for the remaining four, who were presumed dead. The Kuhio Highway remains only partially operable for two to four months while the 100 feet of roadway that was washed out, is repaired.

### NC4 COVERAGE

NC4 provides ongoing updates to members as the incident unfolds through the National Incident Monitoring Center (NIMC). NIMC analysts follow the incident using official government sources as well as national and local media sources - linking to the KITV local breaking article, *7 People Missing After Water Overruns Kauai Dam*, including images from the scene, eyewitness news video, and real time metro traffic conditions.

#### Selected NIMC Updates:

Roads closed & seven people missing after a dam overflowed due to heavy rains. 3/14/06 13:28 PST

5 homes lost, 7 people missing, Koloa residents evacuated after dam burst. 3/14/06 15:28 PST

Koloa residents evacuated after dam burst; second dam feared to burst. 3/14/06 17:33 PST

State of emergency declared after breach at reservoir & another dam in danger. 3/14/06 20:30 PST

300 million gallons of water unleashed after dam break. 6 still missing. 3/15/06 06:49 PST

Governor Lingle gives authorization to destroy dams posing an imminent threat. 3/15/06 09:16 PST

Kuhio Hwy partially reopened. Seven people believed to be dead. 03/16/06 06:20 PST

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- Structural (Dam Break)**
- When:** 2006-03-14 13:23 PST
- Where:** Kuhio Hwy & Waialapa Rd, Kilauea, HI 96754, United States
- Synopsis:** Kauai's North Shore - Kuhio Hwy partially reopened. Seven people believed to be dead.
- What:** Kuhio Highway was closed between mile markers 21 and 22 along Kauai's North Shore after approximately 100-feet of road was washed away after a dam breach on Tuesday. Officials have now partially reopened the highway. The Ka Loko Dam now has a 250-foot hole in it after heavy rains inundated the island overnight on Sunday. Over 400 million gallons of water flooded Kilauea, destroying several homes. Rescue crews have recovered two bodies and are searching for at least five other missing people. [more...](#)
- Special Program/Event:** N/A
- Last Updated:** 2006-03-16 06:20 PST by NC4 Analyst 4
- Notification Rule:** Use Perimeter

At the bottom of the incident detail section, there are icons for Severe, Media, and Attachment(s), and buttons for Forward, Comment, and Cancel.