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**MAJOR DEMOLITION MILESTONE AT ALOHA STADIUM MARKS  
ANOTHER STEP TOWARD THE FUTURE OF NASED**

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HONOLULU — A major demolition milestone was reached at the Aloha Stadium site earlier this afternoon, marking another step forward in the transformation of the area

and bringing the state closer to a new era with the planned New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District (NASED).

The work represents one of the largest demolition efforts completed to date as crews continue the careful deconstruction of the stadium. Because of the scale of the operation, bringing down an entire upper section of the existing stadium, proper safety and regulatory officials were notified in advance and extensive precautions were taken throughout the process.

Dust suppression water cannons operated continuously during the demolition to control dust and help mitigate potential health and safety concerns for workers and the surrounding community.

“This milestone reflects the careful planning, coordination and hard work of the teams on the ground,” said Interim Stadium Manager Michael Yadao. “Each phase of demolition brings us one step closer to the future of this site and the next chapter for the stadium. This is progress people can see for themselves and we’re excited for what’s to come.”

The work was carried out through the ongoing partnership between the state, Aloha Hālawā District Partners (AHDP) and Hawaiian Dredging Construction Co. Inc. Crews from both organizations have worked closely with the Stadium Authority to ensure the demolition is conducted safely and responsibly.

Stanford Carr, manager of AHDP, noted the public can expect to see additional dismantling milestones at the stadium site over the next several weeks as crews continue their work.

**Note to media:** Aerial and ground B-roll of today’s demolition milestone is available for media use [here](#), courtesy Justin Lui, Aloha Hālawā District Partners.

For more information and project updates, visit [alohastadium.hawaii.gov](http://alohastadium.hawaii.gov).

### **About Aloha Stadium**

For the past 47 years, Aloha Stadium has been Hawai‘i’s largest outdoor arena and home to the University of Hawai‘i Rainbow Warriors football team. As the historic facility evolves into the New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District or NASED, the stadium continues to host a myriad of exciting events that attract residents and global visitors alike. These exciting events including holiday light shows, car exhibits, fairs and the ever-popular Aloha Stadium Swap Meet and Marketplace. With the development of a new multiuse stadium and live-work-play-thrive entertainment district in Central O‘ahu, we are creating a vibrant destination that will transform the game day experience,

invigorate surrounding communities and generate consistent income for the state of Hawai'i. NASED is destined to become the go-to destination for recreation, amusement and community spirit. Visit [AlohaStadium.hawaii.gov](http://AlohaStadium.hawaii.gov) for more information.

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