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Hawaii's groundbreaking \$375M wastewater project unveiled

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Brown and Caldwell

WALNUT CREEK, CA — The completion of Hawaii's largest ever wastewater system upgrade was formally announced last week by Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell.

Following a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Consent Decree to improve Windward Oahu's sewage collection and treatment system by June 2018, Brown and Caldwell, a **➤ Turn to Hawaii, page 8**

For those who served

BY JOHN MESENBRINK, OF CONTRACTOR'S STAFF

When most people celebrated the 4th of July this month with family and friends, it may have been easy to overlook the sacrifices made for this country so that we can enjoy our freedoms. Remembering those that made the ultimate sacrifice, and those who have served, is, well, part of being an American. As a matter of fact, PHCC-National President, Laurie Crigler, fresh from the association's Legislative Conference at pre-Memorial Day festivities, said, "Seeing D.C. all decked out in red, white and blue gave us pause to think about the true meaning of Memorial Day—to honor those who have fought for us to keep our freedoms so



Taco's John White III and Ben White present Major Dan Rooney with a check from Taco Comfort Solutions at the 2018 Eastern Energy Expo.

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Franchise brand power

Financial education and brand name recognition are all part of the package.



BY KELLY FALOON, OF CONTRACTOR'S STAFF

Most small-business owners have an entrepreneurial spirit. They are fervent believers in building businesses to thrive and survive by offering customers the best solutions to their problems for a good price,

and in doing so providing successful careers to themselves and their employees.

However, some of these owners do not have backgrounds or educa-

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THE PRICE OF WATER (2015)



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WATER prices for treating, pumping and delivering water, while sewer prices cover the cost of cleansing the water that goes down the drain.

SEWER prices are often higher than water prices because more energy and chemicals are required for treatment. Following the Clean Water Act, the federal government gave grants for new treatment plants during the 1970s and 1980s. Over the past three decades, however, new spending has been cut for local sewer infrastructure.

STORMWATER fees are not included in every city's monthly bill. Some cities use general tax revenues to pay for projects to reduce polluted runoff from streets and parking lots. However, these projects must then compete for funds with other departments like police and schools.

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- ▶ Top lavatory trends shaping the market in 2018

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