

## Concrete Industry Updates and Implications Seminar

On August 15, 2023, the CCPI and MIH presented the Concrete Industry Updates and Implications Seminar at the Pearl Country Club. It was a sold out event with nearly 90 attendees who listened to an informative presentation by Dr. Charles Nmai, PE, M.ASCE, FACI. Attendance ranged from contractors, developers, architects, mason suppliers, engineers and government officials.



Kirk Hashimoto, CCPI



Dr. Charles Nmai



*Cement and Concrete Products Industry of Hawaii*



The MIH participated in the PBX show on September 27, 2023 with a 10 x 20' booth to showcase the products and services of the mason industry.



Kay Kaneshiro, Tileco Inc.



## Plant Tours

In collaboration with the MIH, Tileco Inc. presented three tours on October 19, 24 and 26 which included a brief presentation on their manufacturing capabilities and products, tour of their expansive plant and lunch. It was open to qualified design personnel, construction professionals and stakeholders and sold out as soon as invitations were extended.

“Attendees were impressed with how streamlined the CMU manufacturing process is and with Tileco’s capabilities in terms of production volume, customization of block shapes and colors, and ability to readily ship units to the neighbor islands. Tileco looks forward to continuing to partner with MIH to hold more plant tours in the future,” stated Leanne Ogata, Vice President and COO, Tileco, Inc.



## Article on Masonry Resiliency in Maui Fire Outlook Good to Restore Historic Buildings in Lahaina

*The following are excerpts from an article in the Star Advertiser by Timothy Hurley on September 30, 2023.*

A team from the State Historic Preservation Division offered a preliminary assessment of some of Lahaina's most significant historic structures, and the outlook for restoration appears to be good. SHPD Administrator Alan Downer said in a statement that the team found that many of the stone or masonry commercial buildings on Front Street likely can be restored to the condition they were in before the disaster.

The team was accompanied on its tour of Lahaina's historic district by the Federal Emergency Management Agency's lead environmental planning and historic preservation adviser, Chelsea Klein, for the Lahaina disaster. Klein said she was impressed by the fact that the stone, masonry and concrete buildings appear to have a lot of structural integrity.

Klein said it was highly likely that historic structures like the old Lahaina conk courthouse, the Baldwin house, masters reading room and the Siemens house and hospital will be able to be rehabilitated. Coming up, FEMA is expected to help identify rehab projects that are eligible for



public assistance. It will also work to ensure compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act and help bring in the right expertise to restore structures properly.

The walls remain of the Baldwin Home Museum, the oldest home on the island, built between 1834 and 1835 for missionaries Dwight Baldwin and Charlotte Fowler Baldwin. Photo courtesy State Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Coming in 2024! We're excited about two of our major events. More to come!



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