



Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission

COMMISSION PROJECT UPDATE

June 2021-November 2021

KIRC Virtual Museum-Stage 3: Collaborations & Special Collections

The Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission was awarded a grant of \$75,000 from the Institute of Museum and Library Services' (IMLS) Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services Program for this project on June 15, 2018, and focuses on:

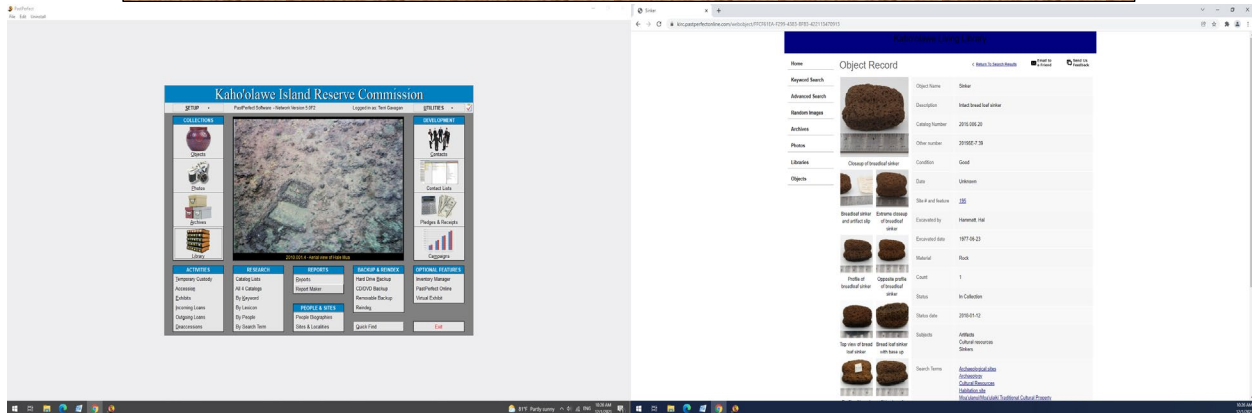
- 1) Reorganization of the KIRC Archive Room
- 2) Expansion of data in the KIRC Living Library database
- 3) Rehousing of a sample of the "Navy" special collection (Navy Collection)—a collection originally given to DLNR by the Navy and placed with the Maui Historical Society on loan in 1981; the KIRC acquired the collection in February 2011
- 4) Evaluation, procurement and installation of improved software for the KIRC Living Library resulting in an enhanced KIRC Living Library website

This project is scheduled to be completed by July 31, 2022. The sample objects have been photographed, rehoused, and cataloged in the PastPerfect database as well as published on the new KIRC Living Library website, hosted by PastPerfect. Staff continues to input additional data for records already imported from the Museum Online database (the previous database) as well as linking digital images to those records. Currently, there are over 2400 records in the PastPerfect database. Staff is also currently customizing the new KIRC Living Library website's home page to better engage users. Once this is completed, the Commission, staff and project consultants will be invited to explore and evaluate this new portal of information about Kaho'olawe and the KIRC.



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Screen shots of the PastPerfect database homepage (l) and one object record from the KIRC Living Library website hosted by PastPerfect (r)