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**SOME HAWAII ISLAND PBS VIEWERS
AFFECTED BY SHIPPING DELAY**
Impacts Over-the-Air Reception of PBS Hawaii
Broadcast Signal from Hilo to South Point

Today PBS Hawaii learned an error by a shipping company on the mainland will delay construction of the station's relay site on Hawaii Island. This particular site receives the broadcast signal from the station's new Maui transmitter and relays the signal to the Hilo translator which impacts other translators all the way to South Point.

According to Steve Komori, VP of Content Delivery, "This new relay site is positioned for our new Maui transmitter at Ulupalakula Ranch. Our analog transmitter on Haleakala will power down at Noon on Thursday, January 15th as part of the DTV transition."

Unfortunately, this means there will be no PBS Hawaii over-the-air signal for viewers from Hilo to South Point until construction and installation for the new relay site is completed. Komori said, "Depending on how quickly the shipping company corrects this situation, we hope to be back on the air in Hilo sometime within the next 2 weeks."

PBS Hawaii programming will still be seen by most viewers who subscribe to cable or satellite services.

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