APPENDIX

Ancient Hawaiian Surfing Terms

ahua: A place close to shore where a broken wave rises and breaks again, known also as kipapa or puao

alaia: A thin surfboard, wide in front and tapering toward the back, made of koa or breadfruit; also called omo.

he'e: To slide, to surf.

he'e nalu: To ride a surfboard; surfing; lit. wave sliding.

he'e pu'ewai: To toward the mouth of a stream. or up a stream.

he'e umauma: Body-surfing.

heihei nalu: A surfboard race.

honua nalu: The base of a breaker.

huia: An especially high wave formed by the meeting of two crests, said to characterize the surf of Kaipaloaoa, Hawaii.

kaha: To surf; to body-surf.

kaha nalu: Body-surfing.

kakala: The surf in which an alaia board is used; a curling wave.

kiko'o: A twelve to eighteen-foot surf board, good for surf that breaks roughly, but is hard to handle.

kioe: A small surfboard.

kipapa: The prone riding position; or, a place close to shore where a broken wave rises and breaks again.

kulana nalu: The place where a surfer paddles to catch a wave; usually the most distant line of breakers.

lala: Diagonal surf; or surfing diagonally to the wave front; a wave to the right; with muku, a wave to the left; or, the seaward side of a cresting wave.

lauloa: A long wave that crests and breaks from one end of the beach to the other.
lele wa'a: Canoe leaping; leaping from a canoe with a surf board in order to ride the wave.

muku: The side of a wave near the crest; broken section of a wave; or, a wave to the left (see lala).

nalu: A wave; surf; full of waves; to form waves.

nala ha'i lala: A wave that breaks diagonally.

nalu puki: A wave that shoots high.

nalunalu: Rough; of a sea with high waves; for form high waves.

no ka pakaka ale: Gliding on the surf; probably refers mainly to canoe surfing.

'ohu: One of two kinds of surf ridden (the other is lauloa); a low, small wave that rises without breaking but with enough strength to carry a board; sometimes called opu'u.

olo: The long heavy surfboard reserved for chiefs.

omo: Another name for the alaia board.

onaula-loa: A wave of great length and endurance.

onini: A surfboard used by experts, difficult to manage; a thick board made of wiliwili; perhaps the same as olo.

opu'u: A large surf, a swell.

owili: A thick board of wiliwili; perhaps an olo.

pa-ha: A surfboard.

papa he'e nalu: A surfboard. Lit. a board for sliding waves. Ha'awi papa he'e nalu, to give with the understanding the board would be returned. Boards were apparently loaned rather than given.

pu'ua: A surfboard.

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