



KEALAIAHIKI

The word Kealaiahiki, translated as "the path to Tahiti," is the name of the ocean channel that separates Kaho'olawe and Lana'i. Traditionally, Kealaiahiki served as the sailing corridor that connected Hawai'i with the islands of Tahiti, the Tuamotu Archipelago, the Marquesas and other islands in the Pacific. According to Hawaiian historian, David Malo, Kealaiahiki was the name of a chief who departed for Tahiti from the westernmost point of Kaho'olawe island.