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## Kapalua Golf's Plantation Course nearing November reopen

Nine-month renovation remains on schedule, with more than 100 acres of new Bermuda grass and almost all fairways mowed daily.

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Work and grow-in continue on Kapalua Golf's Plantation Course ahead of the award-winning course's scheduled reopening in November. Home of the PGA TOUR's Sentry Tournament of Champions, the Plantation Course closed in February to undergo a multi-million dollar enhancement project aimed at refining and revitalizing the 28-year-old golf course. The project is being led by Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw, Troon's Design, Development and Agronomy team, and longtime Maui resident and Golf Channel personality Mark Roling.

Course shaping and the installation of irrigation equipment are completed and all 107 acres have been grassed with Celebration Bermuda grass, with 15 of the 18 fairways being mowed daily. All 18 greens are growing in with TifEagle Bermuda grass and are also being cut daily. A capillary concrete liner system has been installed in all 92 course bunkers, allowing the bunkers to better weather heavy rain events. Sand has been added and spread into bunkers on 14 of the 18 holes. The Plantation Course's practice green and chipping green areas have also been rebuilt and TifEagle Bermuda grass is currently growing in. The practice range tee area has been laser leveled and was recently sprigged with Celebration Bermuda grass. Crews are now installing new concrete cart paths throughout the course.

"We're excited by the progress and about the enhancements on the Plantation Course," Kapalua Golf & Tennis general manager Alex Nakajima said. "We remain on schedule for a soft opening of the golf course in November, with the course in pristine condition by The Sentry Tournament of Champions in January."