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Dear Mr. Sakamoto,

SUBJECT: Chapter 6E-8 Historic Preservation Review –

Archaeological Monitoring Plan for the Proposed Veteran's and Resident's Center

Ho'olehua Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of Moloka'i

TMK: (2) 5-2-015:053

Thank you for consulting with the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) regarding the submittal, Archaeological Monitoring Plan for the Proposed Veteran's and Resident's Center; Ho'olehua Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of Moloka'i, Hawai'i; TMK: (2) 5-2-015:053 (McElroy and Duhaylonsod, February 2018). The SHPD received the draft archaeological monitoring plan (AMP) on May 2, 2018.

The project scope is to design and construct a new Ho'olehua Veterans and Homestead Resident's Community Center to satisfy the needs of veterans living on Molakai'i. The parcel identified as TMK: (2) 5-2-015:053 is 5.638 acres, and it is owned by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL).

The new facility will connect to the existing driveway of the Lanikeha Community Center. A 24-foot access driveway will lead to a parking lot which will be sized to support a daily use of 20–50 users. The DHHL proposes to construct a building utilizing customized modular units due to the construction schedule and available funding. The minimum components for the facility include: classroom space, a kitchen, a meeting and display room, four offices (two each for veteran and homestead resident use), storage space (indoor and outdoor), an outdoor gathering space, indoor and outdoor restroom facilities (one set each). The classroom, meeting and storage spaces will have the flexibility to be partitioned and customized. An outdoor playset has also been proposed. The building and support facilities are situated on the site such as to preserve as much of the existing open space as possible.

It is anticipated that the new facility will be able to utilize the existing infrastructure for its wastewater, water, and electrical demand, although if this is not possible then a new leach field will be constructed. The adequacy of all infrastructure requirements will be verified. Utilization of the existing infrastructure and the existing driveway for access will hopefully minimize the impact to the community.

The State of Hawaii Department of Defense (DOD) will provide the funding to DHHL through State House Bill 100, HD1 SD1 CD1 and DHHL will provide the land and the lease agreement. The new facility will serve the communities of both the Moloka'i military veterans and the DHHL Homestead residents, many of whom are both DHHL beneficiaries and veterans. The DHHL maintains the position that they are not required to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) as this project does not involve the use of federal funds and does not require federal permit or approval.

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An archaeological inventory survey (AIS) for this project was not conducted. During a conference call on October 26, 2017, it was discussed that archaeological monitoring for identification purposes might be implemented in place of a full-scale AIS. The plan for monitoring during the grubbing and grading for the new building, and during initial excavations for associated utilities, access road, and parking lot was approved by the SHPD (January 12, 2018; Log No. 2017.02697, Doc No. 1801MBF01).

The archaeological monitoring plan meets the requirements of HAR §13-279-4. **It is accepted**. Please send two hard copies clearly marked FINAL, along with a copy of this review letter and a text-searchable PDF version on CD to the Kapolei SHPD office, attention SHPD Library.

The DHHL is the agency of record for this project. Please maintain a copy of this review as part of your administrative record.

You may contact the Maui Lead Archaeologist at <u>matthew.b.fariss@hawaii.gov</u>, or by phone at (808) 243-4626, for questions about this letter.

Aloha,

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