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SUBJECT: Clarification on Status of Lāhainā and Mala Use Permits

Aloha:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with clarification on the status of your use permit(s) with the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR). Permittees were initially told that if their permit is up for renewal and they could not comply with permitting prerequisites and requirements for renewal, the permit(s) would not be renewed and the permittee would be placed on a waitlist with the right of first refusal for a new permit once facilities reopen.

We recognize that use of the term "waitlist" has caused concern among permittees and want to clarify that Lāhainā and Mala use permits will be placed in a "holdover" status, where permittees will be allowed to maintain their permits until such time that DOBOR is ready to proceed with facility reopening.

Holdover status will automatically be implemented for all existing Lāhainā and Mala permittees, and these permittees will not be required to take any action to obtain the status. Holdover permits will not need to be renewed to remain valid, nor will permitting prerequisites and other requirements, including fees, apply until holdover status is removed.

Permittees will be notified once DOBOR determines how to proceed with facility reopening. Holdover status will be removed once operations resume, at which time permitting requirements will resume pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes and Hawaii Administrative Rules.

Sincerely,

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