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State of Hawaii
Department of Land and Natural Resources
Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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SUBJECT: Proposed Identified Land Use for Church and/or Church Structures

Ke Kai Planning is submitting this written comment to the proposed Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands proposed amendments to the Title 13 Chapter 5 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules relating to the State Land Use Conservation District, dated April 30, 2024.

The Ierusalem Hou Church located in Halawa Valley, Island of Molokai was constructed in 1948 and is over seventy (70) years old. As Churches are not an “identified land use” in the Conservation District the existing landowner does not have the ability to apply for Site Plan Approval, Departmental Permit and/or Board Permit(s).

The proposed amendments may wish to include the definition of “Church,” as an “identified land use,” for nonconforming structures constructed prior to the inception of the Conservation District. Please contact me if you have further questions and/or concerns at kekaiplanning@icloud.com and Phone (808) 282-2141.

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