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REF: OCCL: LH

CDUA: OA-3996

Acceptance Date: April 24, 2026

145 Day Expiration Date: September 16, 2026

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Michael Sabido, Project Engineer
City and County of Honolulu
Department of Transportation Services
711 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1600
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Sabido:

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION
Conservation District Use Application (CDUA) File No. OA-3996
(DEPARTMENTAL PERMIT)

This acknowledges the receipt and acceptance for processing of the City and County of Honolulu Department of Transportation Services (DTS) CDUA OA-3996 for After-The-Fact (ATF) authorization design deviations and retrofit improvements to existing structures. The project is located on the Pu'u O Hulu saddle, Lualualei, Wai'anae, O'ahu, and lies within the **General** subzone of the Conservation District upon Tax Map Key (TMK): (1) 8-7-006:022 (por.).

The City and County of Honolulu DTS is seeking ATF authorization for the current location of the existing Lualualei Communication Tower (LCT) facility, authorized under Conservation District Use Permit (CDUP) OA-2849, and proposed retrofit improvements to the existing structures that includes the following:

- Wireless base nodes mounted to existing monopole;
- Approximately 350 feet of hybrid cable through existing conduit;
- Weatherproof electrical box mounted to existing monopole; and
- All work is confined to previously developed areas with no vertical expansion and no excavation or grading required.

CDUP OA-2849 authorized the LCT facility and associated equipment on the south-facing side of the parcel; however, the facility was constructed on the northeast ridgeline above the BWS water tank and is currently operating as built, consistent with its scale and purpose.

After reviewing the application, the Department finds that:

1. The proposed land use is an identified land use in the General subzone of the Conservation District, pursuant to Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) §13-5-22 P-8 **STRUCTURES AND LAND USES, EXISTING** (C-1) *Moderate alteration of existing structures, facilities, uses, and equipment*. This land use requires a departmental permit. The Board has the final authority to grant, modify, or deny the proposal;
2. Pursuant to §13-5-40 of the HAR, a Public Hearing is not required; However, the Chairperson has the authority to require a public hearing should the public interest necessitate it on this application;
3. In conformance with Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), Chapter 343, as amended, HAR Chapter 11-200.1, and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources dated March 3, 2020, the proposed project falls under the following:
 - a. General Exemption Type 1, Part 1, #4- *Operation, repair and maintenance, of existing structures and facilities, including baseyards, offices, cabins, sheds, and fencing.*
 - b. General Exemption Type 1, Part 1, #15- *Repairs necessary to maintain existing electrical, telemetry or communications systems and the structures that house or protect them.*

An Environmental Assessment will not be required; and

4. The subject area appears to be outside of the State Special Management Area (SMA).

Pursuant to HRS §27-45 this is a broadband-related permit application as it involves the development of infrastructure relating to broadband service or technology. Upon completion of the application review process, your CDUA will be placed on the agenda of the Board of Land and Natural Resources for their consideration. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Leland Henobio of our office of Conservation and Costal Lands at Leland.Henobio@Hawaii.gov.

Sincerely,



Dawn S. Chang, Chairperson
Board of Land and Natural Resources

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