Issuance of Right-of-Entry Permit to the Federal Aviation Administration onto Unencumbered State Lands of the Old Hilo Airport, Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 2-1-012:041.

APPLICANT:

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Sections 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands situated at Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, identified by Tax Map Key: (3) 2-1-012:041, as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit A.

AREA:

0.0297 acres or 4,475 square feet, more or less.

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Urban
County of Hawaii CZO: Industrial

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(b) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act

DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: YES ___  NO ___

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CURRENT USE STATUS:

Unencumbered/ vacant

CHARACTER OF USE:

Staging and construction material storage area purposes.

TERM OF RIGHT-OF-ENTRY:

4 months. Commencing on September 1, 2016, expiring on December 1, 2016.

CONSIDERATION:

Gratis.

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Sections 11-200-8 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources approved by the Environmental Council and dated June 5, 2015, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class 1, No. 41, that states "Storage of construction equipment and materials for a limited period of time as necessary to support planned or existing construction or repair."

DCCA VERIFICATION:

Not applicable. The Applicant as a government agency is not required to register with DCCA.

REMARKS:

The subject parcel was previously under Revocable Permit No. S-7103 to Mid-Pacific Fisheries, Inc. Purpose of the revocable permit was for fish processing, shipping and fishing supplies. The permit was cancelled on March 21, 2005 and the improvements demolished.

By email letter dated June 10, 2016, Tammy Reddick, Real Estate Contracting Officer, Federal Aviation Administration, requested a right-of-entry permit onto State-owned lands for a staging area and storage of construction materials. The FAA has an upcoming project to replace two existing Remote Transmission (RT) towers at the Hilo International Airport. The project is tentatively scheduled to begin once the necessary permits are acquired and the project should take approximately four (4) months. The proposed right-of-entry area shall consist of an approximate 4,475 square foot space, adjacent to the existing RT facility.
Various governmental agencies and interest groups were solicited for comments. No responses were received by the Land Board Meeting Agenda date.

Staff is recommending that this permit be granted gratis, as this is a government-related project/activity.

Staff recommends that the Chairperson be authorized to extend the term of the right-of-entry permit for good cause, in the event that this project is delayed due to weather or any unexpected circumstances.

There are no other pertinent issues or concerns and staff has no objections to the request.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board

1. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200, HAR, this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

2. Authorize the issuance of a right-of-entry permit to the Federal Aviation Administration covering the subject area under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following:

A. The standard terms and conditions of the most current right-of-entry permit form, as may be amended from time to time;

B. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

C. Authorize the Chairperson to issue future right-of-entries to the Applicant, relating to construction material storage and staging area for its proposed project to replace two existing RT towers at the Hilo International Airport.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wesley T. Matsunaga
Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson
EXEMPTION NOTIFICATION

Regarding the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Chapter 343, HRS and Chapter 11-200, HAR.

Project Title: Issuance of Right-of-Entry to the Federal Aviation Administration for Staging and Construction Material Storage Purposes at Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3)2-1-012: 041.

Project / Reference No.: 16HD-086

Project Location: Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii.

Project Description: Right-of-Entry for Staging and Construction Material Storage Purposes.

Chap. 343 Trigger(s): Use of State lands

Exemption Class No. and Description: In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules Section 11-200-8, the subject project is considered to be exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to:

Exempt Class 1(41), which states, “Storage of construction equipment and materials for a limited period of time as necessary to support planned or existing construction or repair.”

Exemption Item Description from Agency Exemption List: Storage of construction equipment and materials for a limited period of time as necessary to support planned or existing construction or repair.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Land Board approve this project as it will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is presumed to be exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment. The right-of-
entry area is already cleared and level. No bulldozing or land clearing is required to utilize the subject area for staging and construction material storage.

Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson

Date

8/15/16