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DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

November 10, 2016

Board of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

**Declare Project Exempt From Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11,
Chapter 200, Hawaii Administrative Rules**

**South Kawaihae Small Boat Harbor Channel Marker Buoys
Kawaihae, Island of Hawaii, Hawaii**

The Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR) is proposing to re-install three (3) Private Aids to Navigation (PATONS) at the South Kawaihae Small Boat Harbor (SBH), Island of Hawaii, Hawaii. The previously installed PATONS were removed by the U.S. Coast Guard several years ago because the small boat harbor was not fully developed and in use as a small boat harbor. In November 2014, DOBOR completed its Kawaihae SBH (South) Improvements, Phase 1 project in which a 445-foot floating dock was installed allowing for 25 permanent slips in the harbor, along with construction of a comfort station, boat wash down area, and utilities. In July 2016, DOBOR completed its Kawaihae SBH (South) Roadway and Water System Improvements project, which included construction of a 3,400-foot long, 24-foot wide asphalt access road from the harbor to Akoni Pule Highway and installation of water mains for daily water use and fire protection. DOBOR is currently in the permitting process for the next phase of improvements to the harbor, which will include construction of a 45-foot wide concrete boat launch ramp with loading docks on either side.

In anticipation of the increased use of the harbor when the boat launch ramp is completed, DOBOR will need to re-establish the PATONS to ensure safe navigation into and out of the harbor.

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Section 11-200-8(A) and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Approved by the Environmental Council, on June 5, 2015, this project is exempt from the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) pursuant to the following exemptions:

Item No. 2 of Exemption Class 2: “Replacement or reconstruction of existing signs, markers, buoys, or aids to navigation.”

Pursuant to Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), and Chapter 11-200, Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), the attached Exemption Notification, labeled Exhibit A, was prepared. Also attached is a Site Plan showing the location of the re-established PATONS, labeled Exhibit B.

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Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11, Chapter 200,
Hawaii Administrative Rules, South Kawaihae
Small Boat Harbor Channel Marker Buoys
Kawaihae, Island of Hawaii, Hawaii

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RECOMMENDATION:

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

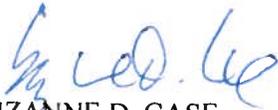
Respectfully submitted,



EDWARD R. UNDERWOOD
Administrator

Attachments: Exhibit A – Exemption Notification
Exhibit B – Site Plan

Approved For Submittal:



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Chairperson

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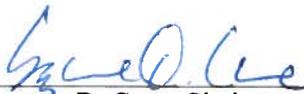
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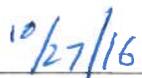
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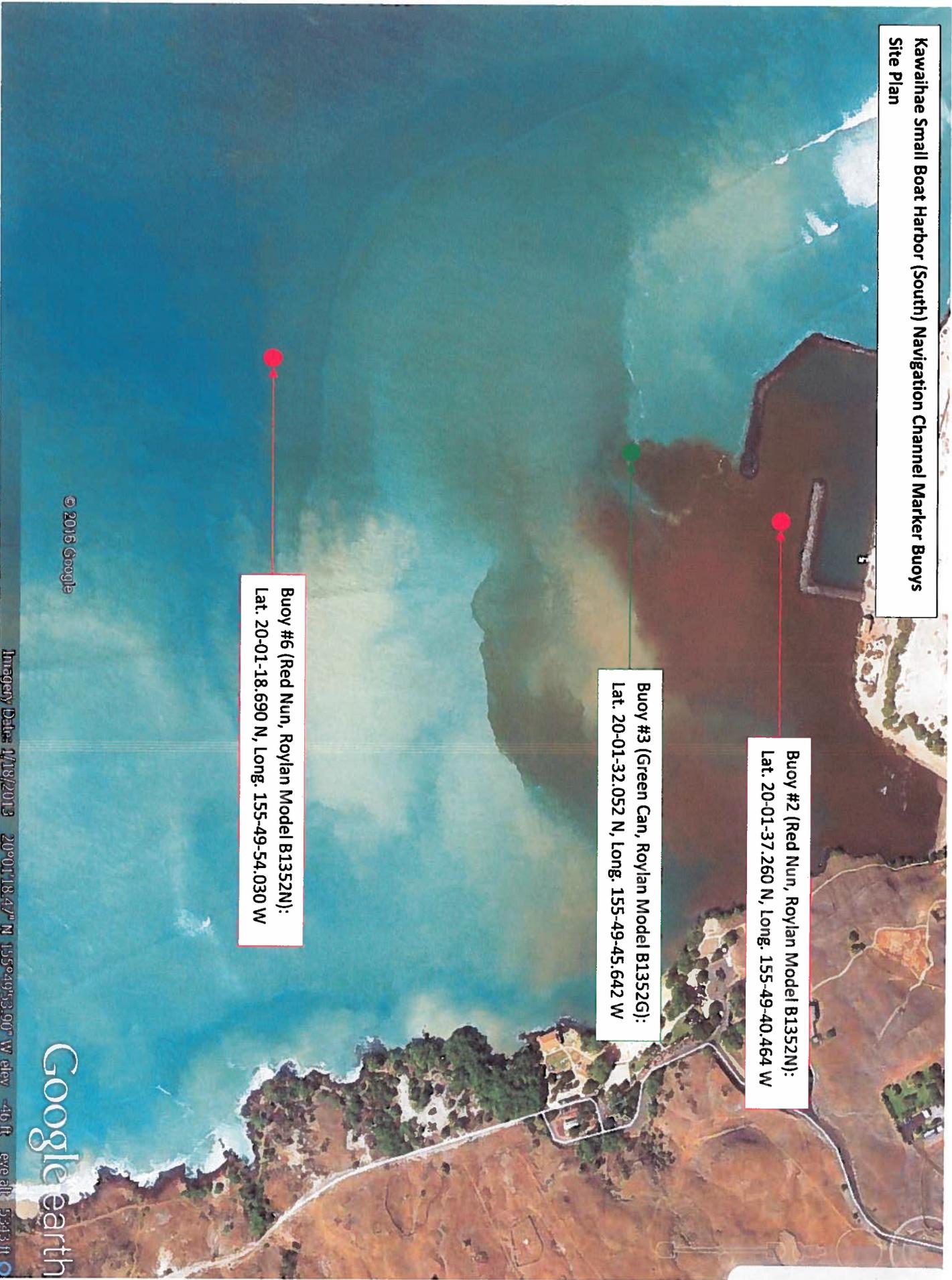
Regarding the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), and Chapter 11-200, Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR).

Project Title:	South Kawaihae Small Boat Harbor Channel Marker Buoys (Private Aids to Navigation), Island of Hawaii, Hawaii
Project Number:	To be determined
Project Description:	This project includes the re-installation of three (3) channel marker buoys or Private Aids to Navigation at the entrance channel for the harbor.
Chapter 343 Trigger(s)	Use of State Funds and Lands
Exemption Class & Description:	Exemption Authority: Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources approved by the Environmental Council on June 5, 2015. Scope of Work: Re-installation of channel marker buoys. Exemption Class 2: Replacement or reconstruction of existing structure and facilities where the new structure will be located generally on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose, capacity, density, height, and dimensions as the structure replaced.
Exemption Item Number and Description:	Item No. 2 of Class 2 – Replacement or reconstruction of existing signs, markers, buoys, or aids to navigation.
Recommendation:	It is anticipated this project will have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is presumed to be exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment


Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson


Date

**Kawaihae Small Boat Harbor (South) Navigation Channel Marker Buoys
Site Plan**



**Buoy #2 (Red Nun, Roylan Model B1352N):
Lat. 20-01-37.260 N, Long. 155-49-40.464 W**

**Buoy #3 (Green Can, Roylan Model B1352G):
Lat. 20-01-32.052 N, Long. 155-49-45.642 W**

**Buoy #6 (Red Nun, Roylan Model B1352N):
Lat. 20-01-18.690 N, Long. 155-49-54.030 W**

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Imagery Date: 1/18/2013 20°01'18.47" N 155°49'53.90" W elev -46 ft eye alt 5343 ft

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Exhibit B