

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of State Parks
Honolulu, Hawaii

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

O'AHU

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO CONDUCT A ONE DAY COMMUNITY EVENT "DAY AT LAKE WILSON" THAT WILL INCLUDE COMMERCIAL VENDORS AND EDUCATIONAL BOOTHS TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2019 FROM 8:00 AM TO 3:00 PM AT THE WAHIAWA FRESHWATER STATE RECREATION AREA, O'AHU, HAWAII, TMK: 7-6-001-006-0000

LEGAL REFERENCE:

In accordance with

- 1) the Hawaii Administrative Rules §13-146-68 Commercial activities: No person shall engage in commercial activities of any kind, without a written permit from the board or its authorized representative; and
- 2) Hawaii Administrative Rules Sections §11-200-8 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources concurred with 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 No. 1, item 53, "Granting to a person the privilege to conduct operations involving the provision of goods, wares, merchandise, or services to the general public including, but not limited to, tours, food and beverage operations, retail operations, rental operations, or communications and telecommunications services in or on an existing building, facility, or area." **See Exhibit A.**

LOCATION:

This parcel of land (TMK: 7-6-001-006-0000) is located at Wahiawa, Oahu.

BACKGROUND:

The Division of State Parks is proposing a Department of Land & Natural Resources (DLNR) (Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE), Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR), Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR)), sponsored community event in partnership and with the Wahiawa Community Based Development Organization (Wahiawa CBDO) themed “A Day at Lake Wilson” to highlight recent and proposed State Park improvements that will expand the recreational opportunities offered in the Wahiawa community. There have been two “Day at Lake Wilson” events previously with DLNR participation that were very successful and the intent of this 3rd event is to once again, build up community awareness of the Freshwater Park and all the recreational activities that it has to offer. The goal is to use this event as a platform for the Wahiawa CBDO, who is willing to take the lead, and sponsor this as an annual event for Wahiawa to showcase unique aspects of their community.

Wahiawa Freshwater State Recreation Area (Wahiawa Freshwater SRA), a prominent and treasured resource has been a very popular recreational site for both community and visitors, which feature recreational fishing and passive recreational activities at Lake Wilson. The event will feature educational booths, as well as vendors who will be selling their specialty goods and food at the park. Wahiawa CBDO will provide insurance for this event.

Wahiawa CBDO, in partnership with State Parks and other community organizations, has been working collaboratively over the past few years in the planning and development for the future of Wahiawa Freshwater SRA. DLNR and the community thought the timing was appropriate to resurrect the “Day at the Lake” event.

All proceeds (from sales and donations) from this event will go into an escrow account for future “Day at the Lake” events, community activities, and any necessary management costs associated with Wahiawa Freshwater SRA. There are other event sponsors supporting the cost elements of this event. The event itself provides an opportunity to inform the public on the need to develop the use of the lake to its full recreational potential, and caring for the environment; as well as to support all entity’s of DLNR’s efforts to educate, and manage the use of the lake.

RECOMMENDATION:

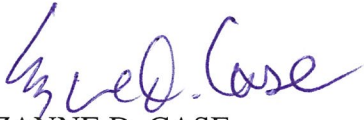
The Division of State Parks is requesting the Board of Land and Natural Resources to approve the request for Wahiawa CBDO to coordinate the sales from vendors (for various items) from this event on November 2, 2019 at Wahiawa Freshwater SRA, as a fundraiser for Wahiawa CBDO to put into escrow for future events and activities for Wahiawa Freshwater SRA. In addition, a request to close the public boat ramp for this event is also requested. **GENERATORS WILL BE USED IN THE STATE PARK.**

Respectfully Submitted,



CURT A. COTTRELL
Administrator
Division of State Parks

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson
Board of Land and Natural Resources

ATTACHMENTS: Exhibit A – Chapter 343 Exemption Notification

EXHIBIT A

EXEMPTION NOTIFICATION

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

Project Title	Request for Approval to Conduct a One Day Community Event “Day at Lake Wilson” that will include Commercial Vendors and Educational Booths to be held on Saturday, November 2, 2019 from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Wahiawa Freshwater State Recreation Area
Project/Reference No.:	Not applicable
Project Location:	Wahiawa Freshwater State Recreation Area, Wahiawa, Oahu (TMK: (1) 7-6-001-006-0000
Project Description	Community event to highlight recreational opportunities at Wahiawa Freshwater State Recreational Area
Chapter 343 Triggers	Use of State Land
Exemption Class No.:	<p>In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules §13-146-68 Commercial activities. No person shall engage in commercial activities of any kind, without a written permit from the board or its authorized representative; and</p> <p>Hawaii Administrative Rules 11-200-8 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources concurred with 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 No. 1, item 53, “Granting to a person the privilege to conduct operations involving the provision of goods, wares, merchandise, or services to the general public including, but not limited to, tours, food and beverage operations, retail operations, rental operations, or communications and telecommunications services in or on an existing building, facility, or area.”</p> <p>The subject request is necessary to allow commercial vendors and educational booths to conduct activities on state lands</p>
Consulted Parties	Division of Aquatic Resources, Wahiawa residents, Wahiawa organizations

Recommendation

The Board finds that the project will have minimal or no significant effect on the environment, and will provide a variety of benefits for the Wahiawa community. Therefore, this request is presumed exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.