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IN REPLY REFER TO:

FEBRUARY 25, 2022

Board of Land and Natural Resources State of Hawai'i Honolulu, Hawai'i

ISSUANCE OF A REVOCABLE PERMIT FOR COMMERCIAL USE OF A T-HANGAR FOR STORAGE OF AIRCRAFT AND A MAINTENANCE HANGAR ALOHA HELICOPTER TOURS LLC

LĪHU'E AIRPORT

TAX MAP KEY: (4) 3-5-01: PORTION OF 08

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Section 171-55, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS).

APPLICANT:

Aloha Helicopter Tours LLC (AHT) whose address is 2798 Upena Street, Līhu'e, Hawai'i 96766.

LOCATION AND TAX MAP KEY:

Portion of Līhu'e Airport (LIH), Līhu'e, Island of Kaua'i, identified by Tax Map Key: 4th Division, 3-5-01: Portion of 08.

AREA:

Building/Room No. 411-103, containing an area of approximately 1,079 square feet, as shown and delineated on the attached Exhibit A.

ZONING:

State Land Use District:

Urban

County of Kaua'i:

Industrial General/Special Treatment-Public Use (IG/ST-P)

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LAND TITLE STATUS:

Section 5(a) lands of the Hawai'i Admission Act:

DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to Hawai'i Admission Act

YES NO X

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Land presently encumbered by Governor's Executive Order No. 4614, dated October 28, 2019, setting aside 883.583 acres designated as Līhu'e Airport to be under the control and management of the State of Hawai'i, Department of Transportation for Airport Purposes.

CHARACTER OF USE:

AHT will use the T-hangar for storage of aircraft (Robinson R44, Tail No. N-151CD) and a maintenance hangar to be used as part of their Commercial Air Tour and Charter Operations. No Helicopter Tour Operations will be allowed from the T-hangar.

COMMENCEMENT DATE:

Upon execution of the revocable permit.

MONTHLY RENTAL:

\$1,197.69 (\$1,079.00 as determined from the DOTA schedule of rates and charges established by appraisal of Airports property statewide plus \$118.69 for electricity).

SECURITY DEPOSIT:

\$3,593.07, or three (3) times the monthly rental in effect.

DCCA VERIFICATION:

CHAPTER 343, HRS - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, Airports Division (DOTA), has determined that the environmental impacts for the subject land use is covered by the Lihue Airport Ahukini Road Realignment and General Aviation Subdivision Final

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Environmental Assessment (FEA), published by the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC) in the April 23, 1997, issue of The Environmental Notice. Accordingly, all relevant mitigation from the FEA and best management practices will be implemented to address the minimum impacts of this action.

REMARKS:

In accordance with Section 171-55, HRS, relating to <u>Permits</u>, the Department of Transportation proposes to issue a month-to-month revocable permit to AHT for the storage of aircraft and a maintenance hangar to be used as part of its Commercial Air Tour and Charter Operations.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board authorize the Department of Transportation to issue a month-to-month revocable permit to AHT, subject to: (1) terms and conditions herein outlined, which are by reference incorporated herein; and (2) such additional terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Director of Transportation to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully submitted,

JADE T. BUTAY Director of Transportation

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

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Chairperson and Member

