

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Land Division
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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

PSF No. 26KD-043
KAUAI

Issuance of Right-of-Entry Permit to Kaikeha, Inc. for 8th Annual Garden Island Boogie Board Classic, Prince Kuhio Beach and Centers Surf Breaks Poipu, Koloa, Kauai, Tax Map Keys: (4) 2-6-005: seaward of 026 and (4) 2-6-005: seaward of 010.

APPLICANT:

Kaikeha, Inc., a Hawaii nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Section 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), as amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands of Prince Kuhio Beach and Centers Surf Breaks, Poipu, Koloa, Kauai, identified as seaward of Tax Map Key: (4) 2-6-005: seaward of 026 and (4) 2-6-005: seaward of 010¹. Next to the Beach House Restaurant located at 5022 Lawai Road, Koloa, HI 96756.

AREA:

40 square feet, more or less.

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Conservation
County of Kauai CZO: Neighborhood Commercial (CN)

¹ [County Real Property Map for Parcel 10](#); [County Real Property Map for Parcel 26](#)

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(b) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act: Yes
DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: No

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Vacant and unencumbered.

CHARACTER OF USE:

Boogie Board contest

TERM OF RIGHT-OF-ENTRY:

Three days July 17 - 19, 2026, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

CONSIDERATION

\$12.00 (40 square feet x 0.10 per square feet (\$4.00) x 3 days.)

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), Section 11-200.1-15 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources concurred with by the Environmental Council and dated November 10, 2020, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to:

General Exemption Type 1: Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving minor expansion or minor change of use beyond that previously existing.

Part 1, Item 44: Permits, licenses, registrations, and rights-of-entry issued by the Department that are routine in nature, involving negligible impacts beyond that previously existing.

The proposed activity is of a similar type and scope of beach activities that routinely has occurred and continues to be held on this and other beaches across the State. Such activities have resulted in no known significant impacts, whether immediate or cumulative, to the natural environmental and/or cultural resources in the area. As such staff believes that the proposed event would involve negligible or no expansion or change in use of the subject area beyond that previously existing.

The temporary use of the land for beach recreation activities such as bodyboarding will not result in any significant cumulative impact and there are no sensitive environmental issues involved with the proposed use of the property. In the past,

permits were issued for similar types of events on the beach in the area, which have resulted in no known significant impacts to the natural and environmental resources in the area.

It is recommended that the Board of Land and Natural Resources find that the proposed action will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is presumed to be exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

DCCA VERIFICATION:

Place of business registration confirmed:	YES
Registered business name confirmed:	YES
Applicant in good standing confirmed:	YES

PUBLIC TRUST ANALYSIS:

The proposed use is temporary and the events are open to the public. Additionally, no commercial activity will occur on the public beach area. Given the limited duration and scope of the events, staff believes that the requested disposition would not measurably impair the use of the public beach area and is consistent with the public trust. Staff has not received complaints from the public about these types of events impeding their beach access or enjoyment. These contests are good for community building, promoting beach clean-ups and environmental stewardship.

REMARKS:

Kaikeha, Inc., on behalf of the 8th Annual Garden Island Boogie Boarding Classic is requesting a right-of-entry permit for a boogie boarding contest on unencumbered State land. The contest is intended for July 17 - 19, 2026, sometime between 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Kaikeha, Inc. intends to utilize 40 square feet of the beach area to set up a 4' x 10' platform to be used for the event. Participation in the bodyboarding contest will be open to the public. According to Kaikeha, Inc., the contest will be a chance for all bodyboarders to showcase their talent. Kaikeha, Inc. states that no tents or spectator seating will be placed on the beach/State land by event coordinators. Kaikeha, Inc. further states that there will be no commercial activity taking place on the State's land and no sponsorship banners posted anywhere in the immediate area. Platform will be fenced off and there will be security overnight. A beach clean-up will also be done at the end of each day prior to leaving.

The proposed activity is of a similar type and scope of beach activities that routinely have occurred and continues to be held on this and other beaches across the State. Such activities have resulted in no known significant impacts, whether immediate or cumulative, to the natural, environment and/or cultural resources in the area.

As such staff believes that the proposed event would involve negligible or no expansion or change in use of the subject area beyond that previously existing.

Applicant has not had a lease, permit, easement or other disposition of State lands terminated within the past five years due to non-compliance with such terms and conditions.

Various government agencies and interest groups were solicited for comments.

AGENCIES	
Division of Conservation and Resource Enforcement	No Objections
Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation	No Objections.
Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands	No Response by Suspense Date
Office of Hawaiian Affairs	No Response by Suspense Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1) Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200.1, 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) For the reasons stated herein, find that the requested disposition is consistent with the public trust. If the Board determines that this disposition is consistent with the public trust, then the Board is recommended to approve the following:
- 3) Authorize the issuance of a right-of-entry permit to Kaikeha, Inc., covering the subject area for a boogie boarding contest, 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. The permittee will remit a check for \$12.00, made payable to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, which represents a non-refundable fee for use of the subject area; and
 - C. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,



Reynold Lee
Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



Ryan Kanaka'ole, Acting Chairperson

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