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for the meeting of the  
COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

May 24, 2006  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Application for a Stream Channel Alteration Permit (SCAP-MO-391)  
County of Maui, Department of Public Works and Environmental Management  
Kaunakakai Gulch, Kaunakakai, Molokai (TMK: 5-3-005: 006)

APPLICANT:

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SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The applicant proposes to replace the existing cast iron Kaunakakai Force Main at Kaunakakai, Molokai, with a new 8-inch Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) force main.

LOCATION: Exhibit 1.

DESCRIPTION:

The County of Maui, Department of Public Works and Environmental Management (DPWEM), proposes to run the new force main parallel to the existing force main, beginning at the Kaunakakai Wastewater Pump Station, crossing under Kaunakakai Gulch, the project site, and connecting to the existing force main at the Kaunakakai Wastewater Reclamation Facility. The overall length of the force main will be approximately 1,200 feet. The existing force main will be abandoned in place and used for back-up emergency purposes once the new force main is installed.

ANALYSIS:

We have not received any objections to the issuance of a stream channel alteration permit for this project. The State Historic Preservation Division indicated they believe that “no historic properties will be affected” by this project. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs did not object to the project and stated that they “will rely on the applicant’s assurances that should iwi kupuna or Native Hawaiian cultural or traditional deposits be found during ground disturbance, work will cease, and the appropriate agencies will be contacted pursuant to applicable law.”

The Maui County Department of Planning originally (December 2005) believed that a Special Management Area (SMA) permit was required for the project, and required the applicant to provide additional information. Upon review of the information, the County Department of Planning, in April 2006, determined that an SMA is not required.

Both the Corps of Engineers and the Department of Health indicate they must issue Federal Clean Water Act permits to address water quality concerns (Sections 401 and 402). The staff believes that these permits are adequate to address concerns to minimize adverse impacts to Kaunakakai Gulch.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Commission approve a stream channel alteration permit for the Kaunakakai Force Main Replacement Project (TMK: 5-3-005:006) Kaunakakai, Molokai. The permit shall have a term of two years subject to the Commission’s standard permit conditions in Exhibit 2.

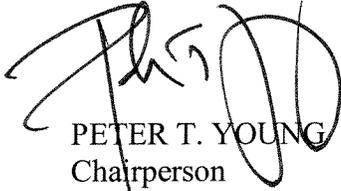
Respectfully submitted,



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- Exhibit(s):   1   Location Map  
                  2   Standard Stream Channel Alteration Permit Conditions

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



PETER T. YOUNG  
Chairperson