

COMPREHENSIVE EXEMPTION LIST  
FOR THE  
COUNTY OF KAUA'I  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
AND  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

DATED: November 15, 2012

The Department of Public Works (“DPW”) is comprised of the following Divisions:

- Building Division
- Engineering Division
- Wastewater Management Division
- Highways and Road Management Division
- Solid Waste Division
- Automotive Repair Shop

The Department of Parks and Recreation (“DPR”) is comprised of the following Divisions:

- Planning and Development Division
- Parks Maintenance Division
- Recreation and Programs Division

**HISTORICAL NOTE**

This exemption list for the DPW and DPR was reviewed and concurred upon by the Environmental Council on November 15, 2012. This list also supersedes the previous list that was reviewed and concurred upon by the Environmental Council on November 17, 1999.

**GENERAL NOTE**

Section 343 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) authorizes the Environmental Council to establish procedures to exempt specific types of actions

from the need to prepare an environmental assessment because the action will have minimal or no significant effect on the environment.

The following types of DPW and DPR projects will not be exempt:

1. Project requiring detailed analysis as provided in an environmental assessment under §343-5.
2. Project in statutorily defined areas, including, but not limited to: critical habitats, special management areas, special design districts, registered view planes or scenic corridors, wetlands, sanctuaries, special habitats, shoreline areas, tsunami inundation areas, or other designations; except where the work is eligible for exemption and there is no negative impact on the conditions that defined these areas.
3. Projects that have significant potential environmental effects pursuant to Hawai'i Administrative Rules ("HAR") Section 11-200-12 without an Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS"); an Environmental Assessment with a Finding of No Significant Impact ("EA/FONSI"); or that were never presented at a public meeting concerning site selection, master plan report, or any phase of incremental construction.
4. Projects that have significant potential environmental effects pursuant to HAR Section 11-200-12 without a program to encourage public input into the design or siting of a project.

Pursuant to HAR Section 11-200-8(B), DPW shall not make exemption declarations when the cumulative impact of planned, successive actions of the same type, in the same place, over time, is significant, or when an action that is normally insignificant in its impact on the environment may be significant in a particularly sensitive environment. Sensitive areas may include, but are not limited to significant historical, archaeological and cultural sites, flood plains, wetlands, beaches, coastal areas, erosion-prone areas, geologically hazardous land, critical habitats, and estuaries.

Pursuant to HAR § 11-200-8, which was promulgated under the authority of HRS §343-6(a), DPW and DPR has determined that the following types of actions that fall within the exempt classes of actions may be declared exempt.

## **EXEMPTION CLASS #1:**

Operation, repairs, or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment or topographic features involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing:

1. Fertilizing, sprinkling, mowing, weeding, trimming, brush cutting, herbiciding, clearing, grubbing, aerating, road clearing, sweeping, and seaweed removal of the following agency maintained lands and facilities:
  - a. Streets, roads, highways, bike paths, pedestrian ways, parking lots and appurtenances
  - b. Flood-control, erosion-control, and drainage facilities
  - c. Parks
  - d. Landscaped areas
  - e. Beach accesses
  - f. Beaches
  - g. Municipal golf courses
  - h. Cemeteries
  
2. Operation, maintenance, overhauling, repairing, repainting, reroofing, cleaning, polishing, greasing, oiling, and servicing of the following facilities, structures, and equipment:
  - a. Existing buildings
  - b. Structures required for essential utilities, including, but not limited to:
    - i. Water and sewage handling and treatment systems
    - ii. Sanitary sewage systems
    - iii. Drainage systems

- iv. Water systems
- v. Electrical systems
- vi. Communication systems
- vii. Irrigation systems
- viii. Gas systems
- ix. Energy systems
- c. Fencing, curbing, gates, walls, and retaining walls
- d. Steps and stairways
- e. Handicapped accessibility improvements, including walkways, stairways, ramps, and handrails
- f. Existing structures, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Storage sheds
  - ii. Electrical sheds
  - iii. Electric panels
  - iv. Pumphouses
  - v. Irrigation control panel sheds
  - vi. Garages
  - vii. Mechanic shops
  - viii. Telecommunication equipment and sheds
  - ix. Plant nursery sheds and hothouses
  - x. Trash enclosures
  - xi. Litter containers

- xii. Trash compactors
- xiii. Recycling collection bins
- xiv. Manhole and junction box covers
- g. Stationary and mobile motorized equipment
- h. Equipment, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Pumps
  - ii. Motors
  - iii. Electrical transformers, cabinets, panels, and vaults
  - iv. Power, light, and telephone pole systems
  - v. Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (“HVAC”)
  - vi. Odor control systems
  - vii. Security systems and alarms
  - viii. Communication systems including antenna
  - ix. Telecommunications and control systems, including supervisory control and data acquisition (“SCADA”) systems
  - x. Irrigation controllers
  - xi. Telephone stations
  - xii. Emergency electrical generators
  - xiii. Lifts provided for handicapped accessibility
- i. Traffic calming devices, including, but not limited to, new traffic and pedestrian control devices – speed humps, speed bumps, speed tables, traffic signals, directional, informational and regulatory signs, pavement markers, and striping

- j. Traffic and pedestrian safety measures — guardrails, escape ramps, sidewalks, bollards, and vehicle access barriers
- k. Exterior lighting, including, but not limited to, street lights, parking lot lights, security lighting, ball field and play court lighting, bollards, and wall sconces
- l. Existing recreational facilities, structures, and equipment, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Recreation buildings, multi-purpose buildings, clubhouses, and education buildings
  - ii. Administration buildings, storage and operations buildings, guard shacks, and caretaker residences
  - iii. Comfort stations, bathhouses, and locker room facilities
  - iv. Water tanks developed to serve park needs
  - v. Fitness exercise stations
  - vi. Outdoor showers
  - vii. Security and visitor information kiosks
  - viii. Life guard towers and accessory or appurtenant structures
  - ix. Concession stands
  - x. Athletic fields, athletic courts, skate parks, parks, and appurtenant equipment and facilities, including, but not limited to:
    - 1. Ball field fencing
    - 2. Ball barriers
    - 3. Backstops
    - 4. Dugouts

5. Batting cages
  6. Football goal posts
  7. Bleachers and viewing platforms
  8. Soccer goals
  9. Lighting of ball fields
  10. Lighting of play courts
  11. Scorekeeper booths
  12. Scoreboards
  13. Other such recreational structures of a similar size
- xi. Gymnasiums
  - xii. Skating rinks and related facilities
  - xiii. Bandstands
  - xiv. Ornamental and swimming pools
  - xv. Botanical and community gardens, and plant nurseries
  - xvi. Pavilions
  - xvii. Shelters
  - xviii. Tent platforms
  - xix. Benches and picnic tables
  - xx. Signs and posts
  - xxi. Security lighting of park grounds, structures, and parking lots
  - xxii. Equipment sheds
  - xxiii. Canoe hale

- xxiv. Arbors
  - xxv. Planter boxes
  - xxvi. Play court practice walls
  - xxvii. Bike racks
  - xxviii. Drinking fountains
  - xxix. Phone booths
  - xxx. Hose bibs
  - xxxi. Pedestrian bridges in park areas
  - xxxii. Charcoal disposals
  - xxxiii. Play equipment
3. Patching, resurfacing, striping and cleaning of pavement surfaces including, but not limited to, streets, roads, highways, pedestrian, ways and walkways, bike paths, driveways , parking lots and appurtenances
  4. Repair and maintenance of established footpaths and bike paths, including those to beaches and beach accesses
  5. Operation, repair, testing, and maintenance of vehicles
  6. Abandoned vehicle pickup program operations
  7. Collection of refuse and recyclables, and schedule changes
  8. Operation, repairs, and maintenance of existing cemeteries, including the digging and covering of new graves
  9. Relocation of cemetery grave contents that have been affected and threatened to be affected by erosion, as approved by the State of Hawai‘i, Area Burial Councils
  10. Routine maintenance and removal of dirt, rock, debris, and accumulated boulders from canals, streams, and flood-control debris basins and debris/



catchment structures where such removal will not have an adverse impact on downstream waters, bays, or the environment

11. Removal of sand from ocean ponds or drainage ways for maintenance purposes as permitted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the State Department of Health
12. Acquisition of land presently utilized as maintenance accessways, by easement or deed, for the purpose of stream cleaning
13. Clearing of earth berms, drainage swales, culverts, stream banks, and streams including, but not limited to:
  - a. Those with direct outlet to the ocean
  - b. Vegetation clearing from streams, improved and unimproved drainage ditches, or swales. Work would involve removing and cutting of debris, brush, grasses, occasional koa trees up to three inches in diameter as needed to restore channel capacity. Only pursuant to federal and state laws and regulations, including, but not limited to the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and HAR, Title 11, Chapter 55, herbicides that are approved for use in the State of Hawai‘i would be sprayed on the earth embankment after the cutting has been completed or thereafter applied to banks of streams, canals, and ditches where and when necessary to control overgrowth. Direct application to any body of water will only be made by or under the supervision of a certified applicator in accordance with HAR, Title 4, Chapter 66 for weed control when direct application to water in streams, canals, and ditches is unavoidable. All herbicides will be used under the following conditions:
    - i. Label instructions will be strictly adhered to dosage for herbicide will be prescribed by the label; and soil disturbance would be minimal, if any, and all work would be confined within the right-of-way.

14. Removal of domestic sewage from residential and commercial waste and wastewater systems and the disposal of such material into municipal wastewater treatment facilities
15. Chemical control of vector
16. Construction staging areas and temporary storage of construction equipment and materials
17. Clearing and maintenance of areas for emergency mitigation including, but not limited to, firebreaks, emergency landing zones, operation and staging sites, if properly staged
18. Actions necessary for compliance with Occupational Safety & Health Administration requirements
19. Acquisition of interests, including easements, quitclaim, fee simple, and leaseholds, in real property on which existing County facilities are situated, provided that the County has conducted an environmental site assessment pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (“CERCLA”), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) regulations under 40 CFR Part 312 and/or the American Society of Testing and Materials (“ASTM”) standards under ASTM E1527-05 or E2247-08

**EXEMPTION CLASS #2:**

Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures 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.

1. Replacement, reconstruction, alteration, and modification (no change in use) of existing structures and facilities, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Buildings
  - b. Exterior door replacement
  - c. Steps and stairways

- d. Handicapped accessibility improvements, including walkways, stairways, ramps, and handrails
- e. Fencing, curbing, gates, walls, and retaining walls
- f. Landscaping, clearing, grading, and grubbing
- g. Utility support systems for exempt landscaping projects, including, but not limited to sprinkler systems installation
- h. Pavements including, but not limited to, roadways, driveways, parking lots, carports, walkways, bikeways, sidewalks, jogging paths, multi-use pathways, and covered walkways
- i. Traffic calming devices, including, but not limited to, new traffic and pedestrian control devices – speed humps, speed bumps, speed tables, traffic signals, directional, informational and regulatory signs, pavement markers, and striping
- j. Traffic and pedestrian safety measures — guardrails, escape ramps, sidewalks, bollards, and vehicle access barriers
- k. Highways for safety purposes by widening less than one lane width, adding shoulders, adding auxiliary lanes for localized purposes (i.e., turning, passing, decelerating lanes, etc.), correcting substandard curves and intersections, and grading cut slopes to a minor extent
- l. Bridge repair and/or replacement as long as the new bridge is limited to two traffic lanes. New bridge replacement could include bicycle route, pedestrian walkway and safety improvements to meet Federal and State Highway Standards
- m. Footbridge replacement and repair
- n. Public transportation shelters and bus stops
- o. New and upgrading of existing street lighting system
- p. Litter containers, trash enclosures, trash compactors, and recycling collection bins

- q. Recycling drop-off and redemption centers serving the surrounding residential community, and drop-off areas for clean yardwaste and landscape debris generated in the surrounding community
  - r. Storage sheds, maintenance sheds, electrical sheds, pump houses, and athletic equipment storage sheds
  - s. Drainage structures and facilities, earth berms, and stream banks without historic value
2. Replacement, reconstruction, alteration, modification (no change in use), or installation of equipment, including, but not limited to:
- a. Pumps
  - b. Motors
  - c. Electrical transformers, cabinets, panels, and vaults
  - d. Power, light, and telephone pole systems
  - e. HVAC
  - f. Odor control systems
  - g. Security systems and alarms
  - h. Communication systems including antenna
  - i. SCADA
  - j. Irrigation controllers
  - k. Telephone stations
  - l. Emergency electrical generators
  - m. Lifts provided for handicapped accessibility
3. Replacement, reconstruction, alteration, modification (no change in use), or installation of utility services, including, but not limited to:

- a. Water, wastewater, drainage, electrical, communications, telecommunications, control systems, including SCADA systems, security, fire protection, air conditioning, odor, irrigation, and fuel systems, subject to compliance with all applicable permitting requirements, including the State Department of Health requirements
  - b. Existing sewer lines and sewer service laterals, providing the action does not involve any increase in the overall capacity of the system beyond the capacity required to meet current and anticipated future service requirements in an established existing County wastewater system service area
- 4. Acquisition of lands that do not include homes and businesses and relocation of tenants, including, but not limited to, upgrading substandard curvatures and intersections for roadway improvements
- 5. Acquisition of lands for drainage purposes where there is a natural, existing drainage watercourse
- 6. Replacement, reconstruction, alteration, modification (no change in use), or installation of any Parks and Recreation building, structure, facility, equipment or utility, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Recreation buildings, multi-purpose buildings, clubhouses, and education buildings
  - b. Administration buildings, storage and operations buildings, guard shacks, and caretaker residences
  - c. Comfort stations, bathhouses, and locker room facilities
  - d. Water tanks developed to serve park needs
  - e. Fitness exercise stations
  - f. Outdoor showers
  - g. Security and visitor information kiosks
  - h. Life guard towers and accessory or appurtenant structures

- i. Concession stands
- j. Athletic fields, athletic courts, skate parks, parks, and appurtenant equipment and facilities, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Ball field fencing
  - ii. Ball barriers
  - iii. Backstops
  - iv. Dugouts
  - v. Batting cages
  - vi. Football goal posts
  - vii. Bleachers and viewing platforms
  - viii. Soccer goals
  - ix. Lighting of ball fields
  - x. Lighting of play courts
  - xi. Scorekeeper booths
  - xii. Scoreboards
  - xiii. Other such recreational structures of a similar size
- k. Gymnasiums
- l. Skating rinks and related facilities
- m. Bandstands
- n. Ornamental and swimming pools
- o. Botanical and community gardens, and plant nurseries
- p. Pavilions

- q. Shelters
- r. Tent platforms
- s. Benches and picnic tables
- t. Signs and posts
- u. Security lighting of park grounds, structures, and parking lots
- v. Equipment sheds
- w. Canoe hale
- x. Arbors
- y. Planter boxes
- z. Play court practice walls
- aa. Bike racks
- bb. Drinking fountains
- cc. Phone booths
- dd. Hose bibs
- ee. Pedestrian bridges in park areas
- ff. Charcoal disposals
- gg. Play equipment

**EXEMPTION CLASS #3:**

Construction and location of single, new, small facilities or structures and the alteration and modification of the same and installation of new, small, equipment and facilities and the alteration and modification of same, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Single - family residences less than 3,500 square feet not in conjunction with the building of two or more such units;
  - (b) Multi -unit structures designed for not more than four dwelling units if not in conjunction with the building of two or more such structures;
  - (c) Stores, offices, and restaurants designed for total occupant load of 20 persons or less per structure, if not in conjunction with the building of two or more such structures; and
  - (d) Water, sewage, electrical, gas, telephone, and other essential public utility services extension to serve such structure or facilities; accessory or appurtenant structures including garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences; and, acquisition of utility easements.
1. Construction, alteration, modification, installation, extensions, or additions to facilities or structures, including, but not limited to:
- a. Any new building, structure, or facility not exceeding 3,500 square feet
  - b. Steps and stairways
  - c. Handicapped accessibility improvements, including walkways, stairways, ramps, and handrails
  - d. Fencing, curbing, gates, walls, and retaining walls
  - e. Landscaping, clearing, grading, and grubbing
  - f. Utility support systems for exempt landscaping projects, including, but not limited to sprinkler systems installation
  - g. New pavement including, but not limited to, roadways, driveways, parking lots, carports, walkways, bikeways, sidewalks, jogging paths, multi-use pathways, and covered walkways
  - h. Traffic calming devices, including, but not limited to, new traffic and pedestrian control devices – speed humps, speed bumps, speed tables, traffic signals, signs, pavement markers, striping



- i. Traffic and pedestrian safety measures – guardrails, escape ramps, sidewalks, bollards, and vehicle access barriers
  - j. Minor street widening and improvements within existing or future County streets rights of way
  - k. Construction of public transportation shelters and bus stops
  - l. Installation of new and upgrading of existing street lighting system
  - m. Construction of storage sheds, maintenance sheds, electrical sheds, pump houses, and athletic equipment storage sheds
  - n. Litter containers, trash enclosures, trash compactors, and recycling collection bins
  - o. Recycling drop-off and redemption centers with adequate traffic capacity serving the surrounding residential community, and drop-off areas with adequate traffic capacity for clean yardwaste and landscape debris (grass, leaves, brush, tree trimmings, etc.) generated in the surrounding community, including, but not limited to, grading, paving, fencing, containers for material, small equipment, and accessory or appurtenant structures used for storage and shelter
  - p. Storm drainage system repair and replacement
2. Construction, alteration, modification, installation, extensions, or additions to equipment, including, but not limited to:
- a. Pumps
  - b. Motors
  - c. Electrical transformers, cabinets, panels, and vaults
  - d. Power, light, and telephone pole systems
  - e. HVAC
  - f. Odor control systems

- g. Security systems and alarms
  - h. Communication systems including antenna
  - i. SCADA
  - j. Irrigation controllers
  - k. Telephone stations
  - l. Emergency electrical generators
  - m. Lifts provided for handicapped accessibility
3. Construction, alteration, modification, installation, extensions, or additions to structures required for essential utilities, including, but not limited to:
- a. Drainage systems
  - b. Water systems
  - c. Irrigation systems
  - d. Electrical systems
  - e. Communication systems
  - f. Gas systems
  - g. Energy systems
  - h. Water and sewage handling and treatment systems
  - i. Sanitary sewage systems
  - j. Minor local sewage pump station
  - k. Sewer improvements district and community facility district
  - l. Minor local storm runoff pump station
4. Construction of emergency generator structure and installation of generator within existing sewage pump station or treatment plant site

5. Expansion of existing pump station and force main (additional pumping equipment pipe and appurtenances) consistent with and within master planned capacity and as described in a previously accepted environmental document prepared under Chapter 343, HRS
6. Minor modifications and additions to existing sewage pump station, treatment plant or disposal facility or building complex consistent with and within master planned capacity and as described in a previously accepted environmental document prepared under Chapter 343, HRS
7. Sewer service installation including:
  - a. Construction of a sewer lateral from an existing sewer main located in an easement or street right-of-way to the abutting property line of unsewered lots
  - b. Extension of an existing sewer main together with a lateral to serve unsewered lots
  - c. Construction of additional laterals or the replacement of existing laterals to accommodate other utility lines or to facilitate connections from house sewer on the premise to laterals
8. Construction, repair or improvement work to drainage or individual wastewater facilities associated with existing County facilities
9. Extension of or installation of additional water and sewer laterals for a single or several residential units or commercial establishments
10. Existing storm drain extension
11. Storm drain line modification
12. Construction, alteration, modification, or installation of any Parks and Recreation building, structure, facility, equipment or utility, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Recreation buildings, multi-purpose buildings, clubhouses, and education buildings

- b. Administration buildings, storage and operations buildings, guard shacks, and caretaker residences
- c. Comfort stations, bathhouses, and locker room facilities
- d. Water tanks developed to serve park needs
- e. Fitness exercise stations
- f. Outdoor showers
- g. Security and visitor information kiosks
- h. Life guard towers and accessory or appurtenant structures
- i. Concession stands
- j. Athletic fields, athletic courts, skate parks, parks, and appurtenant equipment and facilities, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Ball field fencing
  - ii. Ball barriers
  - iii. Backstops
  - iv. Dugouts
  - v. Batting cages
  - vi. Football goal posts
  - vii. Bleachers and viewing platforms
  - viii. Soccer goals
  - ix. Lighting of ball fields
  - x. Lighting of play courts
  - xi. Scorekeeper booths
  - xii. Scoreboards

- xiii. Other such recreational structures of a similar size
- k. Gymnasiums
- l. Skating rinks and related facilities
- m. Bandstands
- n. Ornamental and swimming pools
- o. Botanical and community gardens, and plant nurseries
- p. Pavilions
- q. Shelters
- r. Tent platforms
- s. Benches and picnic tables
- t. Signs and posts
- u. Security lighting of park grounds, structures, and parking lots
- v. Equipment sheds
- w. Canoe hale
- x. Arbors
- y. Planter boxes
- z. Play court practice walls
- aa. Bike racks
- bb. Drinking fountains
- cc. Phone booths
- dd. Hose bibs
- ee. Pedestrian bridges in park areas

- ff. Charcoal disposals
  - gg. Play equipment
13. Acquisition of interests, including fee simple quitclaim, easements, and leaseholds, in real property on which County facilities will be situated, provided that the County has conducted an environmental site assessment pursuant to CERCLA, and EPA regulations under 40 C.F.R. Section 312 and/or ASTM standards under ASTM E1527-05 or E2247-08
  14. Acquisition of lands that do not include homes and businesses, especially for upgrading substandard curvatures and intersections for roadway improvements
  15. Acquisition of lands for drainage purposes where there is a natural, existing drainage watercourse
  16. Acquisition of utility easements on other properties for park use

**EXEMPTION CLASS #4:**

Minor alterations in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation.

1. Landscaping alongside roadways, around buildings, and within existing parks, including, but not limited to, trees, shrubs, grass, ground covers, and community gardening planting
2. Clearing, grubbing, or grading within existing parks, roadways or county lands that do not exceed 1 acre or 100 cubic yards of material on any 1 site and does not exceed 5 feet in vertical height or depth at its deepest point
3. Removal of trees that endanger life or property that are not designated as exceptional trees pursuant to Chapter 22, Article 5 of the Kaua‘i County Code
4. Construction of seepage drains/detention basins on County lands where flows are kept within preexisting levels and a drainage study was completed
5. Regrading road shoulders and installation of pedestrian/bike sidewalk and bike path

6. Landscaping of park lands
7. Installation of sprinkler or irrigation system to water trees, shrubs, and grass
8. Beach nourishment and sand dune restoration activities of less than 10,000 cubic yards of beach quality sand that has been permitted pursuant to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands regulation

### **EXEMPTION CLASS #5**

Basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource

1. Basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource including, but not limited to, archaeological surveys, topographic and field surveys, soil borings/foundation surveys, traffic surveys, graves surveys, air/water/noise/hazardous materials monitoring surveys, drainage study reconnaissance, testing, or data recovery
2. Biological and ecological study and survey
3. Chemical and bacteriological laboratory analysis
4. Coliform bacteria decay rate
5. Fish survey
6. Fresh and saline water sampling
7. Industrial waste sampling and analysis
8. Monitoring device installation, operation and maintenance, including weather stations, soil moisture, soil and rock characteristics, and groundwater sampling activities associated with existing monitoring wells, limited subsurface soil testing, and water quality testing

9. Oceanographic survey
10. Receiving water monitoring program
11. Sediment study and survey
12. Storm water runoff sampling and analysis
13. Stream study and survey
14. Subsurface exploration soil boring
15. Ocean engineering study
16. Design alternative analysis
17. Communication/media surveys
18. Site appraisal to determine the purchase price of real property
19. Tenant relocation/inventory survey
20. Site/building assessment
21. Economic analysis
22. Environmental impact research
23. "Right-of-entry" for site investigation/study

**EXEMPTION CLASS #6:**

Construction or replacement of minor structures accessory to existing facilities.

1. Construction or replacement of minor structures accessory to existing facilities, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Fences, curbing, gates, walls, and retaining walls
  - b. Steps and stairways



- c. Handicapped accessibility improvements, including walkways, stairways, ramps, and handrails
- d. Traffic signals, directional, informational and regulatory signs, pavement markers, and striping
- e. Guardrails, escape ramps, sidewalks, bollards, vehicular access barriers, signs and posts
- f. Pavements including, but not limited to, roadways, driveways, parking lots, carports, walkways, bikeways, sidewalks, jogging paths, multi-use pathways, and covered walkways
- g. Gutters, drains, sewers, and waterlines within streets, highways, and easements
- h. Safety and security fences, and gates and barriers to protect the general public from entering hazardous areas
- i. Structures required for essential utilities, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Water and sewage handling and treatment systems
  - ii. Sanitary sewage systems
  - iii. Drainage systems
  - iv. Water systems
  - v. Electrical systems
  - vi. Communication systems
  - vii. Irrigation systems
  - viii. Gas systems
  - ix. Energy facilities and systems including, but not limited to, solar systems, energy storage systems, and combined heat and power systems

- j. Fire alarm systems, civil defense warning systems, and security systems
- k. Exterior lighting, including but not limited to, street lights, parking lot lights, security lighting, lighting of buildings, ball fields and play court lighting, bollards, wall sconces
- l. Structure(s) that are less than 3,500 square feet, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Storage sheds
  - ii. Electrical sheds
  - iii. Electric panels
  - iv. Pumphouses
  - v. Irrigation control panel sheds
  - vi. Garages
  - vii. Mechanic shops
  - viii. Telecommunication equipment and sheds
  - ix. Plant nursery sheds and hothouses
  - x. Trash enclosures
  - xi. Litter containers
  - xii. Trash compactors
  - xiii. Recycling collection bins
  - xiv. Manhole and junction box covers
  - xv. Tents and temporary structures for use five years or less

- m. Installation of Best Management Practices in accordance with Ordinance 808, which amends Chapter 22, Article 7 of the 1987 Kaua‘i County Code
  - n. Plaques, sculptures, flag poles, and statues
2. Construction or replacement of all appurtenant facilities and structures that are less than 3,500 square feet, and equipment for parks and all outdoor sports including, but not limited to:
- a. Administration buildings, storage and operations buildings, guard shacks, and caretaker residences
  - b. Comfort stations, bathhouses, and locker room facilities
  - c. Water tanks developed to serve park needs
  - d. Fitness exercise stations
  - e. Outdoor showers
  - f. Security and visitor information kiosks
  - g. Life guard towers and accessory or appurtenant structures
  - h. Concession stands
  - i. Athletic fields, athletic courts, skate parks, parks, and appurtenant equipment and facilities, including, but not limited to:
    - i. Ball field fencing
    - ii. Ball barriers
    - iii. Backstops
    - iv. Dugouts
    - v. Batting cages
    - vi. Football goal posts

- vii. Bleachers and viewing platforms
- viii. Soccer goals
- ix. Lighting of ball fields
- x. Lighting of play courts
- xi. Scorekeeper booths
- xii. Scoreboards
- xiii. Other such recreational structures of a similar size
- j. Skating rinks and related facilities
- k. Shelters
- l. Tent platforms
- m. Benches and picnic tables
- n. Signs and posts
- o. Security lighting of park grounds, structures, and parking lots
- p. Equipment sheds
- q. Arbors
- r. Planter boxes
- s. Play court practice walls
- t. Bike racks
- u. Drinking fountains
- v. Phone booths
- w. Hose bibs
- x. Pedestrian bridges in park areas

y. Charcoal disposals

z. Play equipment

**EXEMPTION CLASS #7:**

Interior alterations involving things such as partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances.

1. Interior alterations and renovations to County buildings including, but not limited to:
  - a. Partitions
  - b. Doors
  - c. Counters
  - d. Cabinets
  - e. Shelving
  - f. Roof system
  - g. Ceiling system
  - h. Flooring system
  - i. Column/beam/foundation system
  - j. Wall system
  - k. Electrical conveyances and systems
  - l. Communications system
  - m. SCADA
  - n. Plumbing system
  - o. HVAC

- p. Elevator/conveyor system
- q. Stairway
- r. Built-in furnishing
- s. Built-in equipment
- t. Removal of hazardous materials such as asbestos, and lead paint done in compliance with applicable state, federal, and county health and safety laws, regulations, codes and ordinances

**EXEMPTION CLASS #8:**

Demolition of structures, except those structures located on any historic site as designated in the national register or Hawaii register as provided for in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, Public Law 89 -665, 16 U.S.C. §470, as amended, or Chapter 6E, HRS.

1. Demolition of buildings and structures prior to or concurrent with the construction of a new or replacement building or structure, except those structures located on any historic site
2. Demolition of any related improvement or work that is limited to the Public facility site
3. Demolition of old, dilapidated, unsafe or dangerous buildings or structures required by building, housing or health codes and regulations
4. Demolition of infrastructure systems such as utilities (e.g. water, drainage, wastewater, sewer, power, energy, telephone, data and communication systems, including SCADA systems, security, fire protection, air conditioning, odor, irrigation, and fuel systems)
5. Demolition structures or facilities and appurtenances, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Steps and stairways
  - b. Handicapped accessibility improvements, including walkways, stairways, ramps, and handrails

- c. Fencing, pavements, curbing, gates, walls, and retaining walls
- d. Storage sheds, electrical sheds, electric panels, pumphouses, irrigation control panel sheds, garages, mechanic shops, telecommunication equipment and sheds, plant nursery sheds and hothouses, trash enclosures, litter containers, trash compactors, recycling collection bins, manhole and junction box covers
- e. Bus shelters
- f. Signs
- g. Flag poles
- h. Paved courts
- i. Recreational buildings, facilities, structures, equipment and furniture

**EXEMPTION CLASS #9:**

Zoning variances except shoreline setback variances.

1. Zoning variances of County properties except shoreline setback variances

**EXEMPTION CLASS #10:**

Continuing County administrative activities including, but not limited to, purchase of supplies and personnel-related actions.

1. Continuing County administrative activities including, but not limited to, purchase of supplies and personnel-related actions
2. Acquisition, but not improvement of property, for public use (including easements) and minor subdivision and consolidation of parcels for acquisition of property for public use (including rounding corners and minor street widening)
3. Subdivision consolidation of public lands to facilitate their transfer between the city and state for continuing public use without change in existing land use

4. Operation of initial or continuing public programs consistent with established land use, including, but not limited to, stream debris clean-ups, storm drain stenciling, beach debris clean-up