Mr. Brian J. Choy  
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Office of Environmental Quality Control  
Central Pacific Plaza  
220 South King Street, 4th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Choy:

Subject: Iao Intermediate School Additional Land Acquisition

Attached for your appropriate action are the following:

2. Three copies of the Negative Declaration.

If there are any questions, please have your staff call Mr. Charles Inatsuka of the Planning Branch at Branch at 548-5703.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

TEUANE TOMINAGA  
State Public Works Engineer

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Attachments
NEGATIVE DECLARATION
IAO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
ADDITIONAL LAND ACQUISITION
April 29, 1991

A. PROPOSING AGENCY: Department of Accounting and General
   Services for the Department of Education.

B. APPROVING AGENCY: Not applicable.

C. AGENCY CONSULTED: Department of Education.

D. GENERAL DESCRIPTION TECHNICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND
   ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS:

   1. Technical: The State will acquire four properties
      abutting Iao Intermediate School and fronting Kaua
      Street. The parcels, owned by various owners, are
      identified by TMK 3-4-09:05, 06, 07 and 3-4-11:03 and
      contains an area of 29,646 square feet.

   2. Economic: The estimated cost of the project is
      $800,000. This action will remove 0.681 acres from
      the tax base.

   3. Social: The parcels are needed to accommodate an
      anticipated enrollment growth at Iao Intermediate
      School from the present 675 to 926 students in 1995.
      The land addition will allow space to provide an
      adequate number of classrooms for the projected
      enrollment and enable the school to meet its
      educational needs in accordance with the Department
      of Education's Educational Specifications and
      Standards for Facilities.

   4. Environmental: The project will not create any major
      environmental impact.

E. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING
   SITE MAPS: The property location is shown in Figures 1
   and 2.

F. DISCUSSION OF THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS: The following
   assessments are made to determine whether or not the
   anticipated effects constitute a "significant effect":

   1. The proposed action will not involve an irrevocable
      commitment to loss or destruction of any natural or
      cultural resources.
2. The proposed action will not curtail the range of beneficial uses of the environment.

3. The proposed action will not conflict with the State's long-term environmental policies.

4. The proposed action will not substantially affect the economic or social welfare of the community or State.

5. The proposed action will not involve substantial secondary impacts, such as population changes or effects on public facilities.

6. The proposed action will not involve a substantial degradation of environmental quality.

7. The proposed action will not substantially affect any rare, threatened or endangered species of flora or fauna or habitat. No endangered species of flora or fauna are known to exist in the project site.

8. The proposed action will not detrimentally affect air or water quality or ambient noise levels.

9. The proposed action will not be located in any environmentally sensitive area, such as flood plain, tsunami zone, erosion-prone area, geologically hazardous land, estuary, fresh water, or coastal waters.

G. SUMMARY OF MAJOR IMPACTS: From the above assessment, no major adverse environmental impact is anticipated.

H. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: The "no action" alternative was considered but deemed to be unacceptable.

I. DETERMINATION: It is determined that an Environmental Impact Statement should not be required for this project.

J. FINDINGS AND REASONS SUPPORTING DETERMINATION: The project site is generally free of flood, tsunami, erosion, and landslide hazards. No rare or endangered species of flora are known to exist at the site. No rare or endangered species of fauna are known to inhabit the site. There are no recorded archaeological or historical sites within the existing site.
For the reasons cited above, the proposed action will not have any significant effect in the context of Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes and Section 11-200-12 of the State Administrative Rules.