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Mr. Brian J. Choy Director 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:

- Document for Publication in the OEQC Bulletin.
- 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,

TEUANE TOMINAGA State Public Works Engineer

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

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- A. <u>PROPOSING AGENCY</u>: Department of Accounting and General Services for the Department of Edgeations OUALITY OF
- B. APPROVING AGENCY: Not applicable.
- C. AGENCY CONSULTED: Department of Education.
- D. <u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION TECHNICAL</u>, <u>ECONOMIC</u>, <u>SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS</u>:
 - 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. <u>Economic</u>: 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. <u>DISCUSSION OF THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS</u>: 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. <u>SUMMARY OF MAJOR IMPACTS</u>: From the above assessment, no major adverse environmental impact is anticipated.
- H. <u>ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED</u>: The "no action" alternative was considered but deemed to be unacceptable.
- I. <u>DETERMINATION</u>: 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.

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Negative Declaration Iao Intermediate School Additional Land Acquisition

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.

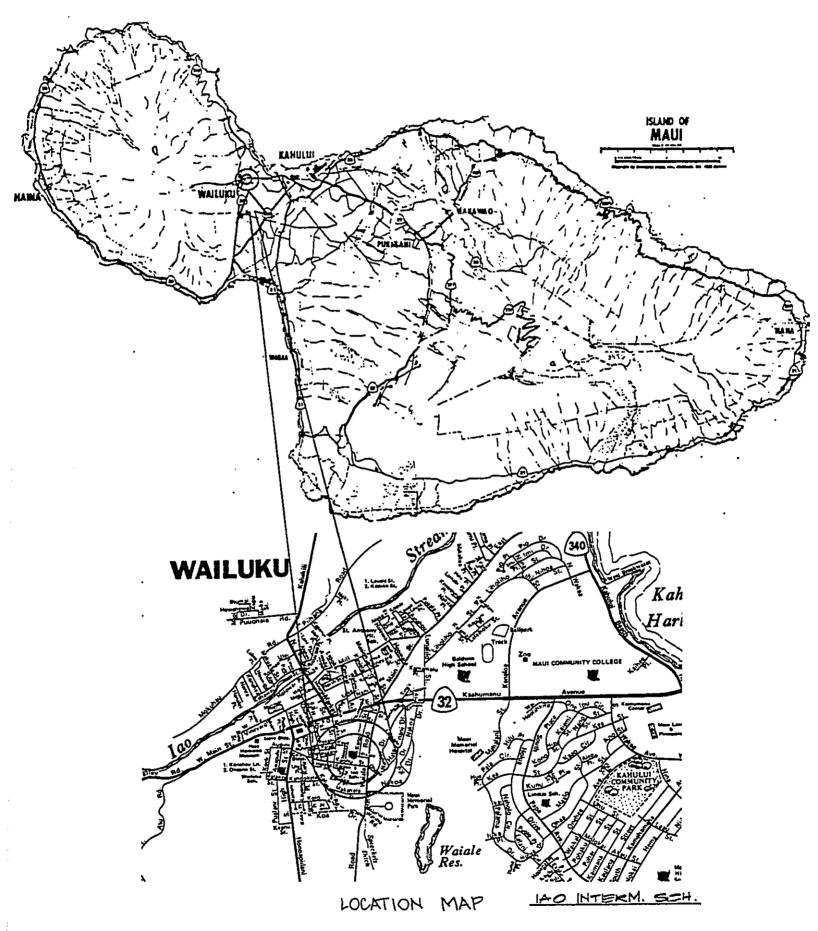


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