May 6, 1981

Mr. Brian J. J. Choy
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Office of Environmental
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Central Pacific Plaza
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Dear Mr. Choy:

Subject: Helemano Elementary School
New Six-Classroom Building

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. Mark Yamabe of the Planning Branch at 548-7660.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

TEUANE TOMINAGA
State Public Works Engineer

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NEGATIVE DECLARATION
HELEMANO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
NEW SIX-CLASSROOM BUILDING
MAY 1, 1991

A. PROPOSING AGENCY: Department of Accounting
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: This is to construct an approximately
12,000 gross square feet reinforced concrete/masonry
classroom building. The two-story structure will
contain six classrooms. Also to be constructed
under this project is a 6,000 square feet asphaltic
cement basketball court, 530 lineal feet of 20-foot
wide asphaltic concrete fire access road and a
7,200 square feet asphaltic concrete parking lot
containing 23 new parking stalls.

2. Economic: The estimated cost of the project is
$1,880,000. Since the project will be constructed
within the existing school campus, no land will be
removed from the tax base.

3. Social: The project will provide the school with a
much-needed facility to implement its program in
accordance with the Educational Specifications.

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

E. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING
SITE MAPS: The new structures are located as shown in
Figures 1 and 2. The proposed facilities are located
within areas that had been previously graded during the
construction of nearby structures. A portion of the new
fire access road will encroach upon the site of the
existing basketball court. Therefore, the existing court
will be demolished and reconstructed upon an adjacent
site.

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 environmental sensitive area, such as a 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. The project will result in the following minor adverse impacts:

1. Depletion of labor and material resources for construction.

2. Some dust, noise and silting during construction.

H. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: The "no action" alternative was considered but deemed to be unacceptable.
I. **PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES:** The temporary dust, noise and silting which would occur during construction will be controlled by application of appropriate pollution control measures.

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

K. **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.
LOCATION MAP

FIGURE 1