To: Brian Choy, Director
Office of Environmental Quality Control

From: Edward Y. Hirata, Director
Department of Transportation

Subject: NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR ADDITIONAL LANE AT KIHEI
LAUNCHING RAMP, MAUI - JOB H. C. 4151

In accordance with Chapter 343-4 (c) Hawaii Revised Statutes, we are notifying you that we will not require an Environmental Impact Statement for the subject project. We have attached a Negative Declaration for the proposed work.

Please contact Emilio Barroga, Jr. of our Design Section at 587-1955 if you have any question on the action.

Att.: Negative Declaration w/drawings
NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
* ADDITIONAL LANE AT KIHEI LAUNCHING RAMP, MAUI *
JOB H. C. 4151

A. APPLICANT
   Harbors Division, Department of Transportation

B. APPROVING AGENCY
   Department of Transportation

C. AGENCIES CONSULTED
   The numerous boating clubs and fishing clubs throughout the
   island of Maui, and boaters who utilize the boat launching
   facilities overwhelmingly support the proposed project.

   The proposed project will be coordinated with the following
   agencies, and permits will be secured as required.

   1. Corps of Engineers - Department of the Army Permit
   2. Department of Health - Water Quality
   3. Office of the State Planning - CZM
   4. County of Maui - SMA

D. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTION'S CHARACTERISTICS
   1. Technical (See attached map)

   The project site is located at Keawakapu, Kamaole, in
   the Wailuku District, on the southwest coast of Maui.
   It is situated south of Kamaole Beach Park, and is
   accessible by a paved driveway from Kihei Road.

   The proposed project consists of constructing an
   additional boat launching ramp lane and 3-foot wide
   loading dock adjacent to the existing double lane boat
   launching ramp. The launch ramp will be constructed
   from a combination of precast concrete panels and
   cast-in-place concrete slabs. The portions of the ramp
   above the waterline will be cast-in-place and precast
   panel elements will be utilized for the section of the
   ramp below the waterline. The loading dock will be
   constructed of precast prestressed concrete channels
   supported by precast prestressed concrete piles.

   Excavation will be required for the construction of the
   launching ramp.
2. **Economic - Social**

The Kihei boat launching facility is principally used by boaters for pleasure fishing, although the boating activity also involves diving, commercial fishing, sailing, water skiing, and crabbing.

The proposed additional ramp lane and loading dock will alleviate further congestion during boat launching and will provide the boaters with more efficient and adequate boat launching facilities.

3. **Environmental**

Driving of loading dock piles and excavation for the additional ramp lane will cause an increase in noise, water turbidity, and temporarily disrupt the use of the adjacent existing boat launching ramp but only for about four months during construction. The proposed project will not significantly change or disrupt the present use of the area.

E. **SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT**

The adverse environmental effects described in paragraph G are expected to be brief and associated only with the construction of the project. The existing launching ramp area does not contain any historical or archeological sites. No endangered wildlife lives within the project site.

F. **DISCUSSION OF THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

The effect of this project upon the environment has been determined to be insignificant. The construction of the project will not:

1. Generate controversy;
2. Alter the existing topography of the land or character of its use;
3. Cause the displacement of any persons;
4. Affect any rare, threatened, or endangered species of animals, plants, or habitats;
5. Involve an irrevocable commitment to loss or destruction of any natural or cultural resources, except for the labor and materials related to the construction of improvements;
6. Curtail the beneficial uses of the environment;
7. Conflict with the State's long-term environmental policy goals, or guidelines; and

8. Degrade the environmental quality.

The implementation of this project will provide an adequate and efficient boat launching facilities.

G. IMPACTS AND ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

During the construction period, there will be a temporary increase in noise, dust and emissions from internal combustion engines associated with the construction. However, these impacts will be minimal and intermittent in nature. Emissions from internal combustion engines will be readily dispersed in the open area.

The pile driving work will cause increase water turbidity at the project area due to the suspension of silt, organic detritus and nutrients. However, the turbidity increase will be of a short duration during construction since the material should quickly settle out and restore the water to the original level of turbidity.

Alternative to the proposed project is to reduce the scope of work or "no project". However, all the proposed improvements are vitally important to the project. "No project" would perpetuate the inefficient and inadequate boat launching facilities.

H. MITIGATION MEASURES

Provisions will be made in the project specifications to control and minimize the temporary adverse effects of construction.

I. DETERMINATION

Since no major adverse impacts are anticipated, costly detailed studies are considered inappropriate. Consequently, a determination has been made that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

J. REASONS

Reasons supporting the "no EIS" determination are outlined in Sections F and G of this Negative Declaration. Any adverse environmental impact resulting from this project had been determined to be insignificant. Past experience has shown that this type of construction within an established boat launching ramp facility has an insignificant effect on the environment, both short and long-term.

Edward Y. Hirata 8/15/91
Director of Transportation  Date
#4 1'-5" 1'-6" 10 SP @ 6" EE, BAL @ 12"
ADD 1-#5 2'-8" 1'-5" @ END

3'-0"

4'-10"

*4 BOL @ 12"

2-#4 TOP CONT.

4-#4 BOL CONT. EQUALLY SPACED

2-#4 CONT.

EACH STEM

3-1/2 @ 270 KSI PRESTRESSED STRANDS EACH STEM

LOADING DOCK SECTION

SCALE: 1"=1'-0"

PURPOSE: ADDITIONAL LANE AT KIHEI LAUNCHING RAMP, MAUI
DATUM: 0.00' MEAN LOWER LOW WATER
NAMES OF ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER:
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DLNR)
T.M.K. 3-9-04

IN: KIHEI
AT: KIHEI, MAUI
COUNTY OF: MAUI
STATE: HAWAII
APPLICATION BY: DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HARBORS DIVISION
JULY 22, 1991 SHEET 2 OF 3
DOCUME\n
FOR PUBLICATION IN THE O\nJC BULLETIN

TITLE OF PROJECT: ADDITIONAL LANE AT KIMEI LAUNCHING RAMP, MAUI
JOB H. C. 4151

LOCATION: ISLAND MAUI DISTRICT WAILUKU

TAX MAP KEY NUMBERS: 3-9-04

TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE AGENCY ONLY:

TYPE OF ACTION: AGENCY ______ APPLICANT ______

PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY IN BOTH CATEGORIES:

CATEGORY 1: Applicable State or Federal Statute
____ Chapter 343, HRS ____ Chapter 205A, HRS ______ NEPA (Federal Actions Only)

CATEGORY 2: Type of Document
____ Negative Declaration or FONSI ______ Revised Draft EIS
____ EIS Preparation Notice or NOP ______ Revised Final EIS
____ Draft EIS ______ Supplemental Draft EIS
____ Final EIS ______ Supplemental Final EIS

Please submit to OEOC: 4 copies of the Negative Declarations or EIS Preparation Notices, 60 copies of the Draft EIS's, and 25 copies of the Final EIS.

PROPOSING AGENCY OR APPLICANT SHOULD SUBMIT COPIES OF THE DOCUMENTS TO THE ACCEPTING AUTHORITY PRIOR TO SUBMITTING COPIES TO OEOC.

ACCEPTING AUTHORITY: DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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COMMENT LETTERS ADDRESSED TO: AGENCY OR APPLICANT ______ CONSULTANT ______
CONDITIONS WHICH TRIGGERED THE ES LAW, PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY TO THE PROPOSED ACTION.

- Use of State or County lands or funds
- Use of Conservation District lands
- Use of Shoreline Setback Area
- Use of Historic Site or District
- Use of lands in the Waterkit Special District

Amendment to a County General Plan
Reclassification of Conservation Lands
Construction or modification of helicopter facilities
Other

SUMMARY of the proposed action or project to be published in the CEQA Bulletin. Please submit it as a summary ready for publication. The description should be brief (300 words or less), yet provide sufficient detail to convey the full impact of the proposed action.

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