Mr. Brian J.J. Choy, Director
Office of Environmental Quality Control
465 South King Street, Room 104
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Choy:

Enclosed is the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife agency action determination of Negative Declaration. The project is for the construction of 400 square feet of additional office space within the Kahului Baseyard warehouse complex. This project will provide much needed office space for program specialists.

We are submitting this declaration for action in conformance with HRS 343-5 and OEQC policy.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

WILLIAM W. PATY

Enclosure

cc: Maui District
Division of Forestry and Wildlife

Department of Land and Natural Resources

AGENCY ACTION

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

For the improvement and Expansion of facilities at Kahului, Hawaii for the Maui Department of Land and Natural Resources Baseyard.
Determination Notice of Negative Declaration

Maui Department of Land and Natural Resources Baseyard

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   Division of Forestry and Wildlife.

II Approving Agency: Department of Land and Natural Resources, 
   Division of Forestry and Wildlife.

III Agencies Consulted: DLNR Divisions, County of Maui 
   Planning Department

IV Summary of Proposed Action

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at the Maui Department of Land and Natural Resources Baseyard to meet the 
requirements of additional office space for NARS, N.A.H., B.P.E. and Wildlife 
programs.

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   The proposed project location is within the already existing 
   Maui DLNR Baseyard warehouse. Construction includes the 
   addition of four (4) 8' x 10' offices adjacent to the baseyard 
   field office and meeting room at the Kahului Baseyard.

B.  Environmental Impact of Proposed Project

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   the existing covered warehouse facility at the Maui 
   complex.

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Labor and capital are the only irretrievable resources involved. The project location is within the confines of the existing baseyard warehouse complex.

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