Mr. Brian J. J. Choy  
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Dear Mr. Choy:

Subject: Negative Declaration for  
Kealakehe Intermediate School  
Five-Classroom Building Addition  
TMK 3rd Division  
Kona, Hawaii

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) did not receive any comments on the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) during the 30-day public comment period which began on November 8, 1992. Therefore, DAGS has determined that this project will not have a significant environmental effect and has issued a negative declaration. Please publish this notice in the January 23, 1993 OBQC Bulletin.

We have enclosed a completed OBQC Bulletin Publication Form and four copies of the final EA. If there are any questions on this matter, please have your staff call Mr. Ralph Morita of the Planning Branch at 586-0486.

Very truly yours,

GORDON MATSUOKA  
State Public Works Engineer

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Attachments
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
KEALAKEHE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
FIVE-CLASSROOM BUILDING ADDITION
DECEMBER 30, 1992

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 OF THE TECHNICAL, SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS:

1. Technical: This is to construct a one-story, two-classroom reinforced concrete/masonry addition (comprising approximately 3,565 net square feet) to the existing Building D and to renovate vacant space (approximately 3,720 net square feet) in the existing Building D into three classrooms.

   This project also includes the construction of 10 additional parking stalls and improvements to the sewage system.

2. Socio-Economic:

   a. The proposed project will not create sufficient work to substantially impact the economy and welfare of the community and State.

   b. The estimated cost of the project is $2,181,000.

   c. Since the project will be constructed within the existing school campus, no land will be removed from the tax base.

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

3. Environmental:

   a. The project will not create any major long-term environmental impacts.

   b. However, during construction, the air quality may be affected by dust and exhaust emissions and it is anticipated there will be a temporary increase in noise levels.
c. These impacts are expected to be minimal since State and Federal regulations need to be met.

E. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING SITE MAPS:

1. The site of the proposed project is located on the school campus (TMK 7-4-19:44).

2. No habitats of endangered species, flora or fauna are known to exist at the site.

3. No historical, archaeological or cultural sites are known to exist at the site.

4. The site is not in a Special Management Area.

5. The proposed addition will be in an area previously graded during the construction of nearby structures.

6. The school, the five-classroom building addition and the additional parking are located as shown in Figures 1 and 2.

F. IDENTIFICATION AND SUMMARY OF MAJOR IMPACTS AND ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

1. Major Impacts: The proposed project will not:
   
a. Involve an irrevocable commitment to loss or destruction of any natural or cultural resources.

b. Curtail the range of beneficial uses of the environment.

c. Conflict with the State's long term environmental policies.

d. Substantially affect the economic or social welfare of the community or State.

e. Involve substantial secondary impacts, such as population changes or effects on public facilities.
f. Involve a substantial degradation of environmental quality.

g. Detrimentally affect air or water quality or ambient noise levels.

h. Be located in any environmentally sensitive area, such as a flood plain, tsunami zone, erosion-prone area, geologically hazardous land, estuary, fresh water, or coastal waters.

2. **Alternatives to the Proposed Project:** "No action" is not considered to be a viable or desirable alternative.

G. **PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES:** Short term impacts on air and noise quality during construction will be controlled by application of appropriate pollution control measures and construction practices.

H. **DETERMINATION:** On the basis of the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
LOCATION MAP

FIGURE 1
5 CLASSROOM ADDITION TO
BUILDING "D"

10 ADDITIONAL PARKING
STALLS

FIGURE 2
KEALAKEHE
INTERMEDIATE
SCHOOL