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Mr. Brian J. J. Choy
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220 South King Street, 4th Floor
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Dear Mr. Choy:

Subject: Negative Declaration for Ewa Elementary School Eight-Classroom Building

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The Department of Accounting and General Services has not received any comments during the 30-day public comment period which began on December 8, 1992. The agency has determined that this project will not have significant environmental effect and has issued a negative declaration. Please publish this notice in the February 8, 1993 OEQC Bulletin.

We have enclosed a completed OEQC Bulletin Publication Form and four copies of the final EA. If there are any questions, please have your staff call Mr. Stanley S. Ichioka of the Planning Branch at 586-0487.

Very truly yours

GORDON MATSUOKA

State Public Works Engineer

SI:jk Attachments

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT EWA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EIGHT-CLASSROOM BUILDING JANUARY 11, 1993

- A. <u>PROPOSING AGENCY</u>: Department of Accounting and General Services for the Department of Education.
- B. APPROVING AGENCY: Not applicable.
- C. AGENCY CONSULTED: Department of Education.
- D. <u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE TECHNICAL</u>, <u>SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS</u>:
 - 1. Technical: This project proposes to construct a two-story reinforced concrete and masonry building of approximately 16,000 square feet which will consist of eight classrooms (six regular classrooms, one computer resource classroom, one self-contained special education classroom), toilets, waterlines/fire hydrants, electrical and sewer line connections, and connecting walkway bridge (handicapped ramp) to an adjacent school classroom building to access the existing elevator. The facility will provide classrooms needed to implement educational programs at the elementary school. Construction of the building will be completed in a single phase.

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 \$2,580,000.
- 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 muchneeded facility to implement its program in accordance with the Educational Specifications.
- e. Access easement for utility lines/fire lanes may be required at a later date.

3. <u>Environmental</u>:

- 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.

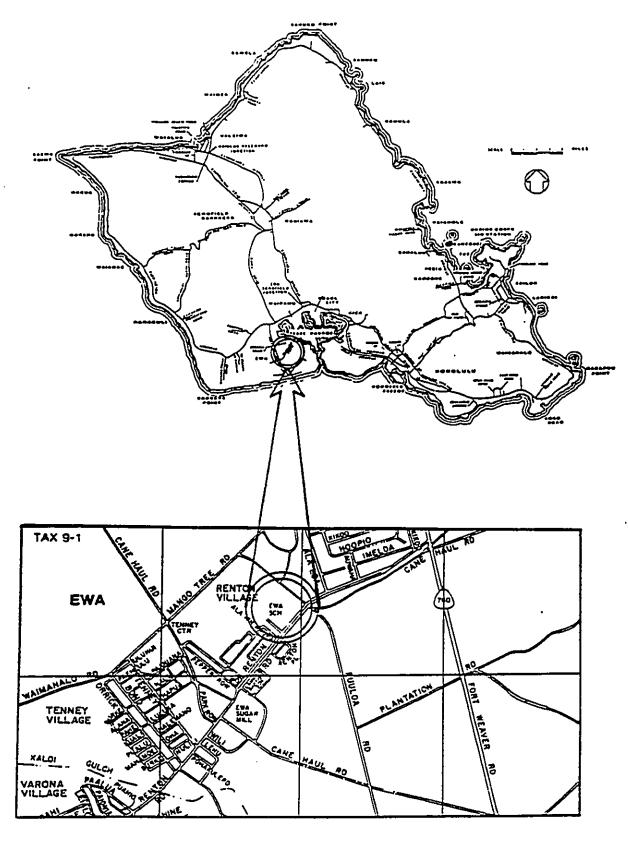
E. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING SITE MAPS:

- 1. The site of the proposed project is located on the school campus (TMK 9-1-10:02, 37). It is on a level grassy area.
- 2. No habitat 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 location of the proposed project is shown on Figures 1 and 2.

F. <u>IDENTIFICATION AND SUMMARY OF MAJOR IMPACTS AND ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:</u>

- 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. <u>Alternatives to the Proposed Project</u>: "No action" is not considered to be a viable or desirable alternative.
- G. <u>PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES</u>: Short term impacts on air and noise quality during construction will be controlled by application of appropriate pollution and noise control measures.
- H. <u>DETERMINATION</u>: 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

EWA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL