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OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY CONTROL

FEB 24 1995

Mr. Gary Gill
Director
Office of Environmental
Quality Control
Central Pacific Plaza
220 South King Street, 4th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Gill:

Subject: Negative Declaration for Hilo Hospital
Replacement of Underground Fuel Tanks
TMK 2-3-27:2

The Department of Accounting and General Services has not received any comments during the 30-day public comment period which began on December 23, 1994. 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 March 8, 1995 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. Ralph Yukumoto of the Planning Branch at 586-0488.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gordon Matsuoka".
GORDON MATSUOKA
State Public Works Engineer

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Attachments
cc: Project Management Branch w/attachments

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Underground fuel tanks MAR - 8 1995

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
(NEGATIVE DECLARATION)
HILO HOSPITAL
REPLACEMENT OF UNDERGROUND FUEL TANKS
FEBRUARY 23, 1995

- A. PROPOSING AGENCY: Department of Accounting and General Services for the Department of Health.
- B. APPROVING AGENCY: Not applicable.
- C. AGENCY CONSULTED: Department of Health and Hawaii County Fire Department.
- D. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE TECHNICAL, SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS:
1. Technical: This project is to remove and dispose of three (3) underground fuel tanks and install two (2) diesel fuel tanks whose sizes are 1,000 and 8,000 gallons each. Monitoring for fuel leakage will be included as required.
 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 \$225,000.
 - c. Since the project will be constructed within the existing Hilo Hospital site, no land will be removed from the tax base.
 - d. The project will provide the hospital with a fuel delivery system that meets current Federal and State environmental requirements and operates with greater reliability and efficiency.
 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 will be met.

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

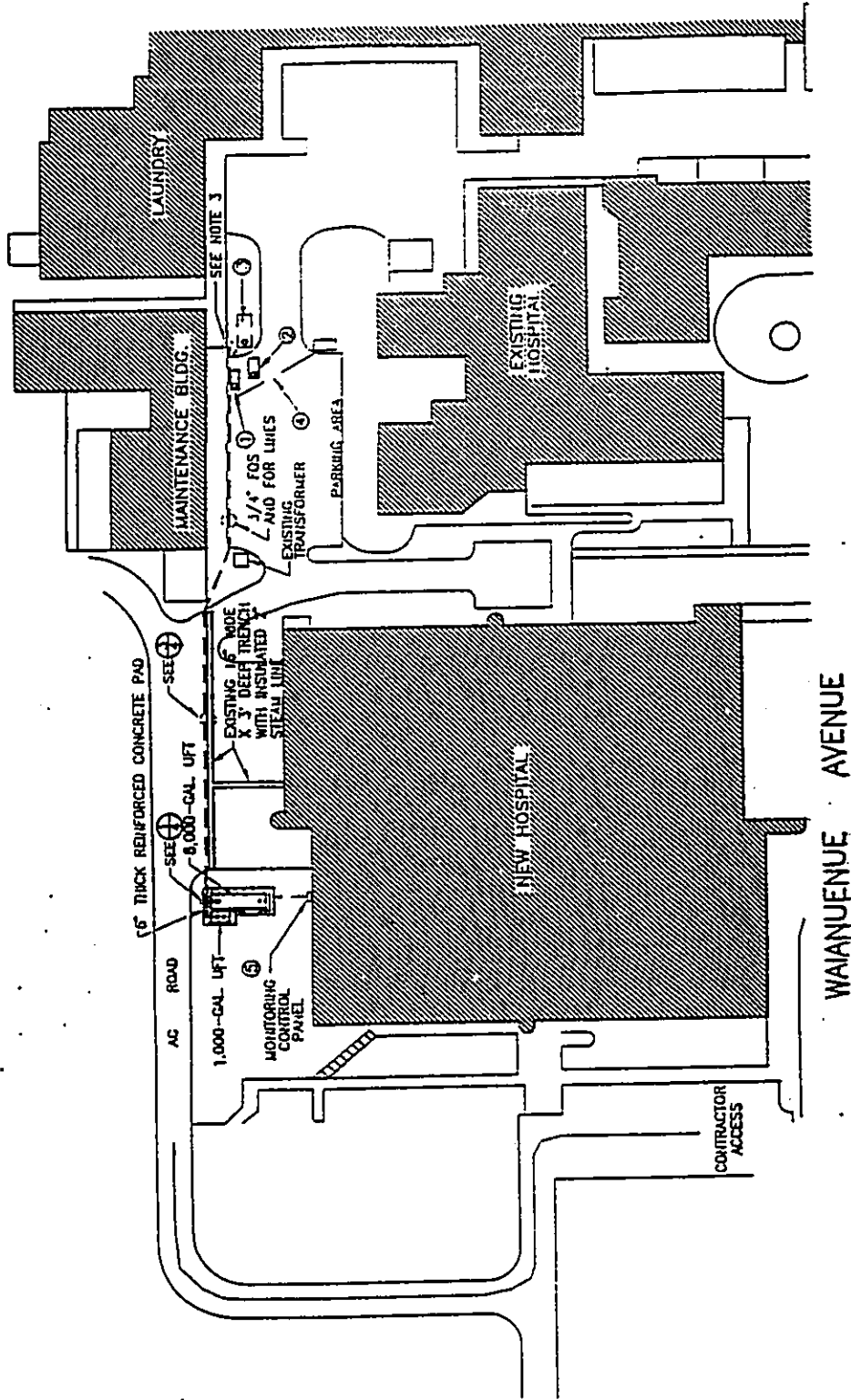
1. The site of the proposed project is located on the hospital grounds and the project is shown in Figures 1 and 2 (TMK 2-3-27:2).
2. No habitat of endangered species, flora or fauna are known to exist at the site.
3. No historical, archaeological or cultural sites are known to exist at the site.
4. The site is not in a Special Management Area.

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, water, and noise quality during construction will be controlled by application of appropriate air or water pollution and noise control measures.
- 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.

CONTRACTOR STAGING AREA



LEGEND:

- ① Approximate Location of existing 550-gallon UFT to be removed
- ② Approximate Location of existing 2,500-gallon UFT to be removed
- ③ Approximate Location of existing 7,500-gallon UFT to be removed
- ④ Approximate Location of Underground Emergency Power Line
- ⑤ Location for the new UFTs (1,000-gallon and 8,000-gallon diesel fuel tanks)

SITE PLAN
NOT TO SCALE

HILO HOSPITAL

FIGURE 2