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Dear Mr. Gill:


Subject: Finding of No Significant Impact for the Board of Water Supply's
Proposed Thomson Corner Well, Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii, TMK: 6-5-01: 02

The Board of Water Supply has reviewed the comments received during the public comment period which began on July 23, 1998. We have determined that the environmental impacts of this project have been adequately addressed as discussed in the final environmental assessment (EA) and are therefore, issuing a finding of no significant impact. We request that our proposed exploratory well project be published as finding of no significant impact in the next Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC) Bulletin.

Attached are the completed OEQC bulletin publication form and four (4) copies of the final EA for your review.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,


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Attachments

cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto & Associates

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*EXPLORATORY WELL SITE***

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PREFACE

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This Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been prepared pursuant to Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) and Title 11, Chapter 200, Administrative Rules, Department of Health, State of Hawaii. Proposed is an agency action involving the expenditure of City and County of Honolulu funds by the Board of Water Supply (BWS). The BWS proposes to drill, case and test a single exploratory well at the Thomson Corner Well site in the Kaheeka, Kemoo area of the district of Waialua, Oahu.

It is anticipated that this EA will be processed as a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) by the BWS, determining that the impacts of this project are not sufficient to require the preparation of an environmental impact statement and, thus, satisfying the requirements of Chapter 343, HRS.

SUMMARY

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Project Location: Kaheeka, Kemoo, Waiialua, Oahu

Tax Map Key: 6-5-01: 02 (por.)

Area: .75 acres

Recorded Fee Owner: Dole Food Company, Inc.

Existing Land Use: Diversified Agriculture

**State Land Use
Classification:** Agricultural District

**Development Plan
Land Use Map:** Agriculture

**Development Plan
Public Facilities Map:** No symbols in the vicinity

Zoning: AG-1 Restricted Agricultural District

Proposed Action: The City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) proposes to drill, case and pump test a single exploratory well, located in the Kaheeka, Kemoo area of Waialua on the North Shore of Oahu. The project site is located at an elevation of approximately 220 feet above mean sea level about 3,300 feet east of Kaukonahua Road along Helemano Road. The well site is situated on a .75-acre parcel, owned by Dole Food Company, Inc. that will be cleared to accommodate the well drilling, support equipment and necessary supplies. Once the area has been cleared, a single test well will be bored to an estimated depth of 350 feet. Test pumping will be conducted to determine the quality and quantity of water that can be produced. The proposed well is anticipated to yield about 1.5 million gallons of potable water per day.

Impacts: No significant impacts are anticipated from construction or testing at the exploratory well site. Construction work, primarily drilling, is anticipated to have insignificant short-term noise and air quality impacts in the surrounding area. All government rules and regulations will be followed during construction to minimize impacts.

Agencies Consulted in

Pre-Assessment Process: Federal

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
U.S. Department of the Interior
Geological Survey, Water Resources Division
Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services

State of Hawaii

Department of Agriculture
Department of Business Economic Development and Tourism
Office of Planning
Department of Health
Safe Drinking Water Branch
Office of Environmental Quality Control
Department of Land and Natural Resources
Water Resource Management Division
State Historic Preservation Division
Office of Hawaiian Affairs

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Chapter 1

INTRODUCTION AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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1.1 Introduction

The City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) is responsible for the management, control and operation of Oahu's municipal water system. As part of this responsibility, the BWS first identifies potential well sites based on a hydrogeologic assessment of the area. If the site appears promising as a groundwater source, the BWS then conducts exploratory drilling and productivity and quality tests to determine the suitability of a well for eventual production of potable water. The Thomson Corner Well* exploratory well site has been identified as a potential groundwater source. In accordance with its mandated responsibilities, the BWS proposes to drill, case and test a single exploratory well at the project site in the Kaheeka, Kemoo area of Waialua, Oahu.

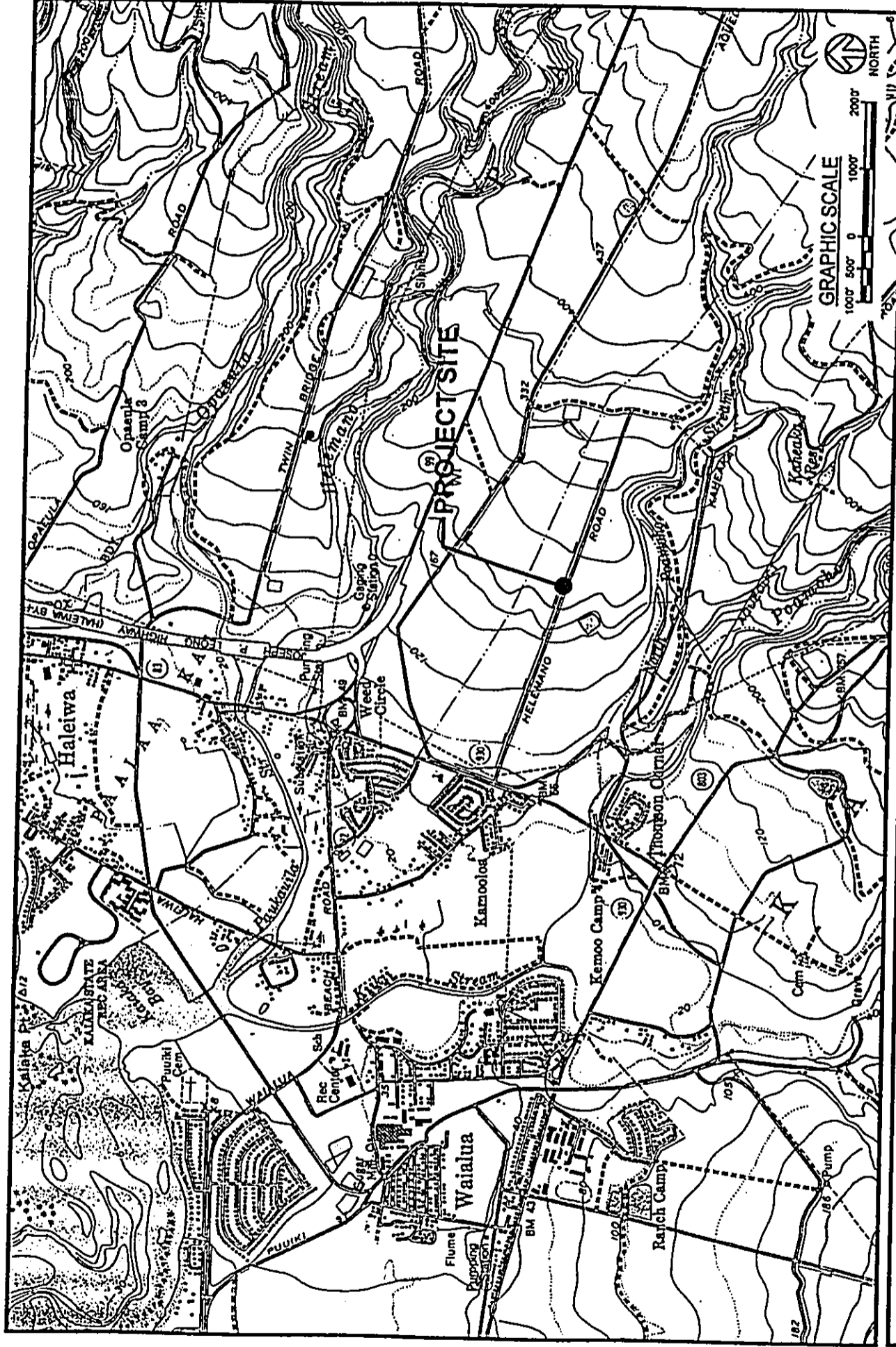
1.2 Project Location

The Thomson Corner Well exploratory well site is located in the Waialua area of the Waialua district on the North Shore of Oahu, about 0.6 miles east of Kamooloa residential area (see Figure 1). The project site will occupy approximately a .75-acre portion of Tax Map Key (TMK): 6-5-01: 02 (see Figure 2), owned by the Dole Food Company, Inc. The project site is located at an elevation of approximately 220 feet above mean sea level (msl), about 3,300 feet east of Kaukonahua Road along Helemano Road. Vehicular access to the project site will be via Helemano Road.

1.3 Existing and Surrounding Uses

Formerly in sugar cane cultivation, the project site is currently uncultivated.

* The spelling of Thomson Corner was verified with the Department of Land and Natural Resources State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) since an alternate spelling appeared in several maps. The SHPD confirmed that the spelling used in this EA is correct.



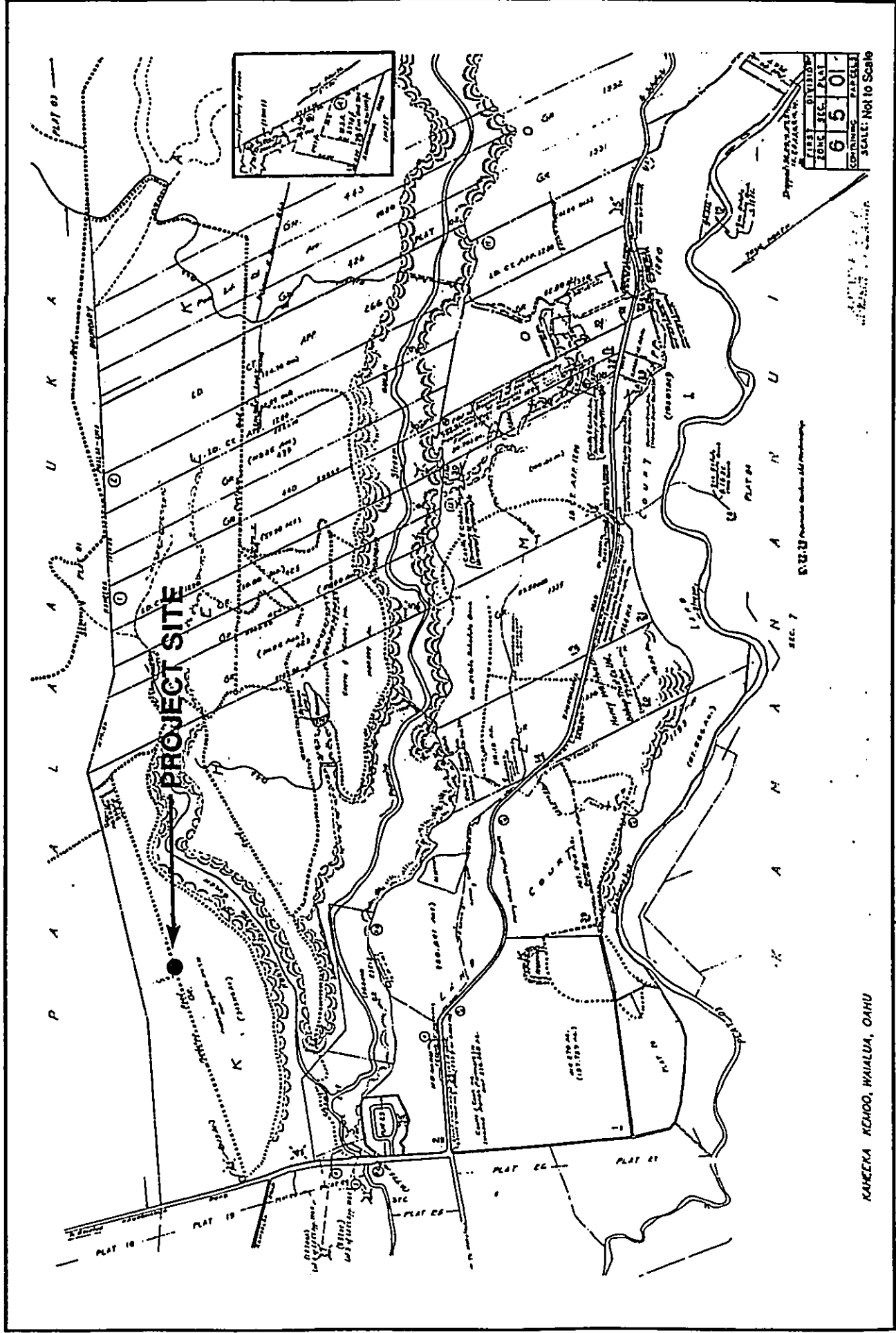
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LOCATION MAP

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KAMEKA KEHO, HIALEHA, OAHU

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Fig. 2

1.4 Project Need

In addition to its responsibility to manage, control and operate Oahu's municipal water system, the BWS is also mandated by law to provide potable water sources to meet growing consumer demand to the extent of available water resources. The BWS utilizes population data to project future consumer demands on the water system, thereby allowing for timely decisions regarding the financing and development of source, storage, and transmission facilities to meet those demands.

The BWS's *Oahu Water Plan* includes the following water use planning objectives:

- *Investigate, prepare for, and timely develop additional potable groundwater sources and alternative sources requiring treatment, to provide for anticipated consumer demands.*
- *Attempt to insure that growth in consumer demand will be compatible with available water supply.*

In order to accomplish the BWS's responsibilities and these objectives, long-term water demand estimates are projected and commensurate water system facilities are planned to meet the projected demand. BWS's water demand projections are based on the City and County of Honolulu Planning Department's population distribution projections for the Development Plan (DP) areas.

It is anticipated that most of the water from future production wells at this site will be used to meet demands outside of the watershed, which is designated as the Waialua Water Management Area (WMA) by the State Commission on Water Resource Management (CWRM). Although pipeline routes to transport the water and the areas to be served have yet to be determined, future pipeline connections to the Waianae Coast, Central Oahu and Windward Oahu are being considered. It is the BWS's policy, however, to meet the demands within the watershed before transmitting excess supply to other areas. Any transmission of water outside of a watershed would need the approval of the CWRM through the Water Use Permit (Section 174C-49(c) of the State Water Code) which is required before the well can be put into production.

With regard to water demand in the North Shore DP Area, the current water demand in the North Shore area is approximately 2.7 mgd. It is projected that demands for the area will increase to about 3.7 mgd by 2020. The demand projections are based on the City and County estimates that the North Shore population will increase to 19,560 by 2020.

The exploratory well site is one of three currently proposed in the Waialua-Haleiwa area. The estimated production capacity of each is 1.5 mgd, for a total of 4.5 mgd. Assuming that no alternative water sources are used or developed, 1.0 mgd would be needed to meet the projected urban demand on the North Shore through the year 2020. Thus, the amount of water available for agriculture or transmission to other areas would be approximately 3.5 mgd, if no alternative water sources for the North Shore DP area are used. Construction and installation of the North Shore water system infrastructure will take approximately 15 to 20 years to complete.

In the past, heavy water usage by the sugar industry resulted in increasing saline content when withdrawals exceeded 40 mgd from the Waialua aquifer, which is the aquifer that the BWS's three planned wells are expected to tap. The data from the sugar industry's past practices was used as the basis for establishing the current maximum sustainable yield at 40 mgd for the Waialua aquifer. According to the most recent data from the CWRM, withdrawals from the aquifer averaged 11.867 mgd between July, 1996 and July, 1997, indicating that 28.133 mgd is unused and seeping into the sea. The three planned BWS wells would utilize approximately 4.5 mgd of that unused capacity when they are put into production.

Currently, there are Water Use Permits allocating up to 39.941 mgd of water from the Waialua aquifer; mostly for sugar cane irrigation. Since sugar is no longer being cultivated and water withdrawals have declined as a result, the CWRM is planning to revoke some of those allocations. Revocation of those allocations would be required before the CWRM could reallocate the water to the planned BWS wells through the Water Use Permit. As mentioned previously, the Water Use Permit would be required before a well could be put into production; not at the presently proposed exploratory stage.

1.5 Project Description

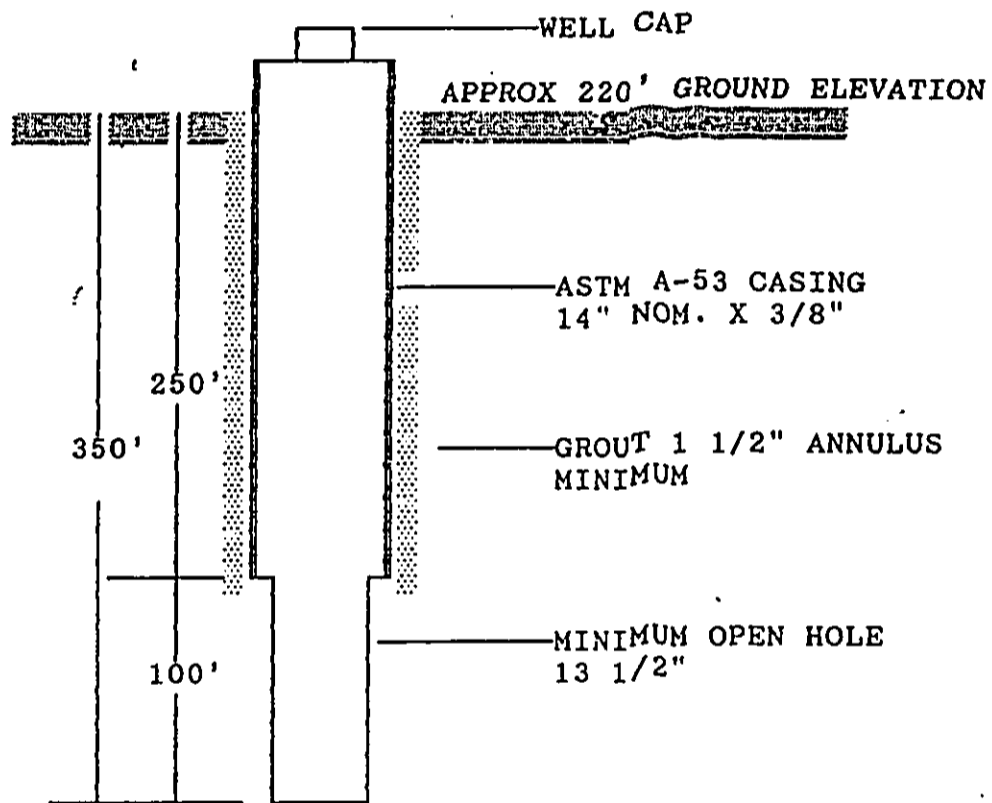
An area of approximately .75-acre will be cleared at the project site to accommodate the well drilling, support equipment and necessary supplies. Once the area has been cleared, a single test well will be bored at the site. The diameter of the bore will be approximately 18 inches and the estimated depth is 350 feet. The method of boring will be determined by the contractor submitting the winning bid, but either a cable tool or rotary drill will likely be used. The amount of time required to achieve the required depth would vary, from approximately one month for the rotary drill to up to three months for the cable tool. Spoils from the boring operation will be disposed of on-site. A 14-inch diameter steel casing approximately 250 feet long will be grouted in place within the bore hole (see Figure 3).

1.6 Test Pumping

Following construction of the exploratory well, tests will be conducted with a diesel powered test pump to determine the quantity and quality of water that can be produced. Quantity testing will include yield drawdown tests spanning approximately one hour at each rate and a sustained pumping test spanning 120 hours. Power for the pump will be supplied by electric generators using either gasoline or diesel fuel. Water withdrawn from these tests will be disposed of on-site in the surrounding agricultural fields and/or irrigation ditches; no water will be disposed of into streams or other natural drainage courses. A National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit will not be required, as water withdrawn during test pumping will not be discharged into any surface streams or coastal waters.

Water quality testing will include those for detecting chlorides (salts) as well as pesticides, heavy metals and organics. The tests for contaminants will determine if treatment processes will be required when the wells are put into production. Due to potential contamination associated with past agricultural practices, a Granular Activated Charcoal (GAC) treatment facility may be required. If required, the facility would be constructed either at the well site when it is developed for production, or at an additional site area. A separate EA will be required if the well is put into production, at which time the specific site requirements for the facility and its impacts will be addressed.

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WELL CROSS SECTION

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Following testing, the well will be capped and all equipment removed. If development of the well for production is deemed feasible, a subsequent environmental assessment will be prepared for that activity as a separate action.

1.7 Project Schedule and Cost

At present, exploratory well drilling at the Thomson Corner Well exploratory well site is not scheduled, however, upon approval of the required permits the expected construction length for well drilling should be approximately 180 calendar days. The capital cost for the construction and testing phase is estimated at \$200,000.

Chapter 2

**DESCRIPTION OF THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENT,
IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES**

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENT, IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES

2.1 Climate

The climate of the North Shore area of Oahu is characteristically mild with persistent northeast trade winds. Average temperatures range from a low of approximately 70 degrees in the coolest month, to a high of approximately 80 degrees in the warmest month. Average annual rainfall is about 35 inches. Light northeasterly tradewinds of about 14 to 16 knots are present most of the year.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

The proposed project will not impact the area's general climate.

2.2 Geology and Topography

The island of Oahu is a volcanic doublet formed by the Waianae Range to the west and the younger Koolau Range to the east. Both are the remnants of great shield volcanoes, but the term "range" indicates that they have lost most of the original shield outlines and are now long narrow ridges shaped largely by erosion.

Basaltic lava from the Koolau shield volcano underlies the site at depth. The depth of well is probably insufficient to penetrate into Waianae lava. At the surface, the site is underlain by residual soils developed on Koolau lava. The Waialua-Mokuleia coastal plain is underlain by interbedded marine and terrestrial sediments deposited when the various glacial stages caused fluctuations of sea level. These sediments confine the basal groundwater that occurs within the basaltic lava flows.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Construction of the proposed well will require a bore hole into the subsurface basalt rock. No significant impacts on the geology and topography of the project site are anticipated during the construction and operation of the proposed project.

2.3 Soils

Soils at the site are classified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service as Lahaina silty clay, 3 to 7 percent slopes (LaB). These are well-drained soils found in the uplands of the islands of Lanai, Maui, Molokai and Oahu. These soils developed in material weathered from basic igneous rock. Runoff is medium and the erosion hazard is moderate. Soils of this nature are commonly used for sugarcane and pineapple cultivation (see Figure 4).

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

No significant impacts on the soils at the project site are anticipated with the construction and operation of the proposed project.

2.4 Hydrology

2.4.1 Surface Water

There are no natural surface water bodies on the project site. The North Poamoho Stream is located approximately 1,500 feet south of the project site. The North Poamoho Stream is a tributary of the perennial Kiikii Stream system with stream flows to the sea year round.

The CWRM's *Hawaii Stream Assessment* represents Hawaii's first step in an attempt to identify streams and rivers with significant natural and cultural qualities that may be appropriate for protection. One purpose of the study was to identify streams with high value stream-related "beneficial uses." These uses or "resources" were categorized into four units.

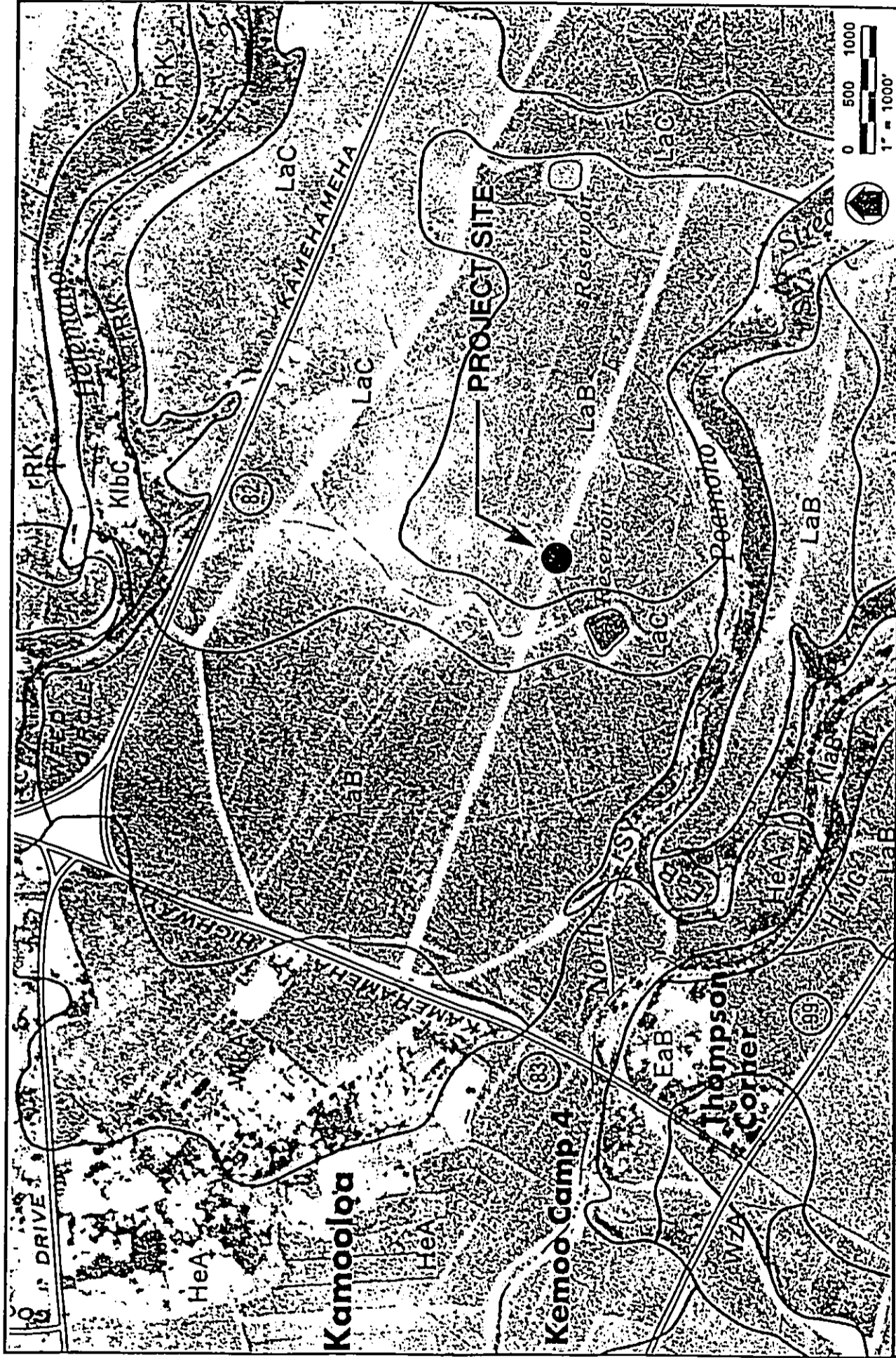


Fig. 4

SOILS MAP

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- Aquatic Resources
- Riparian Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Recreational Resources

Elements of these resource categories were identified and ranked as Outstanding, Substantial, Moderate, Limited and Unknown. The Kiikii system was ranked as one of the seven streams on the island of Oahu with outstanding recreational resources and opportunities. It was not ranked, however, as having outstanding aquatic, riparian or cultural resources.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

There are no surface water sources on the project site. The closest stream, the North Poamoho Stream is more than one-quarter mile from the project site. The proposed withdrawals from the project site are not anticipated to affect stream flows. If test pumping reveals that stream flows are affected, an instream flow standard amendment may be required.

2.4.2 Ground Water

Most of Oahu, including the North Shore area, is underlain with permeable volcanic rock which stores and transmits water readily. As a result, the portion of the island below sea level is saturated with saline water from the ocean, except where significant infiltration of fresh water accumulates and forms a fresh water "lens" in a condition known as basal groundwater. This type of groundwater occurs below the project site.

The project area overlies the Waialua aquifer, which is one of three within the North aquifer sector (see Figure 5). In the Waialua aquifer, a thick wedge of sedimentary caprock causes a thick basal lens to exist, creating an extensive freshwater body located in dike-free Koolau lava flows. Recharge from rainfall in the Koolau Range maintains this lens. The movement of groundwater in the Waialua-Haleiwa area occurs in a seaward direction, and is confined by a thick caprock sequence of marine and terrestrial sediments. Anahulu Stream alluvium separates the Waialua from the Kawailoa aquifer whereas the Koolau-Waianae unconformity forms the hydrologic boundary with the Mokuleia aquifer.

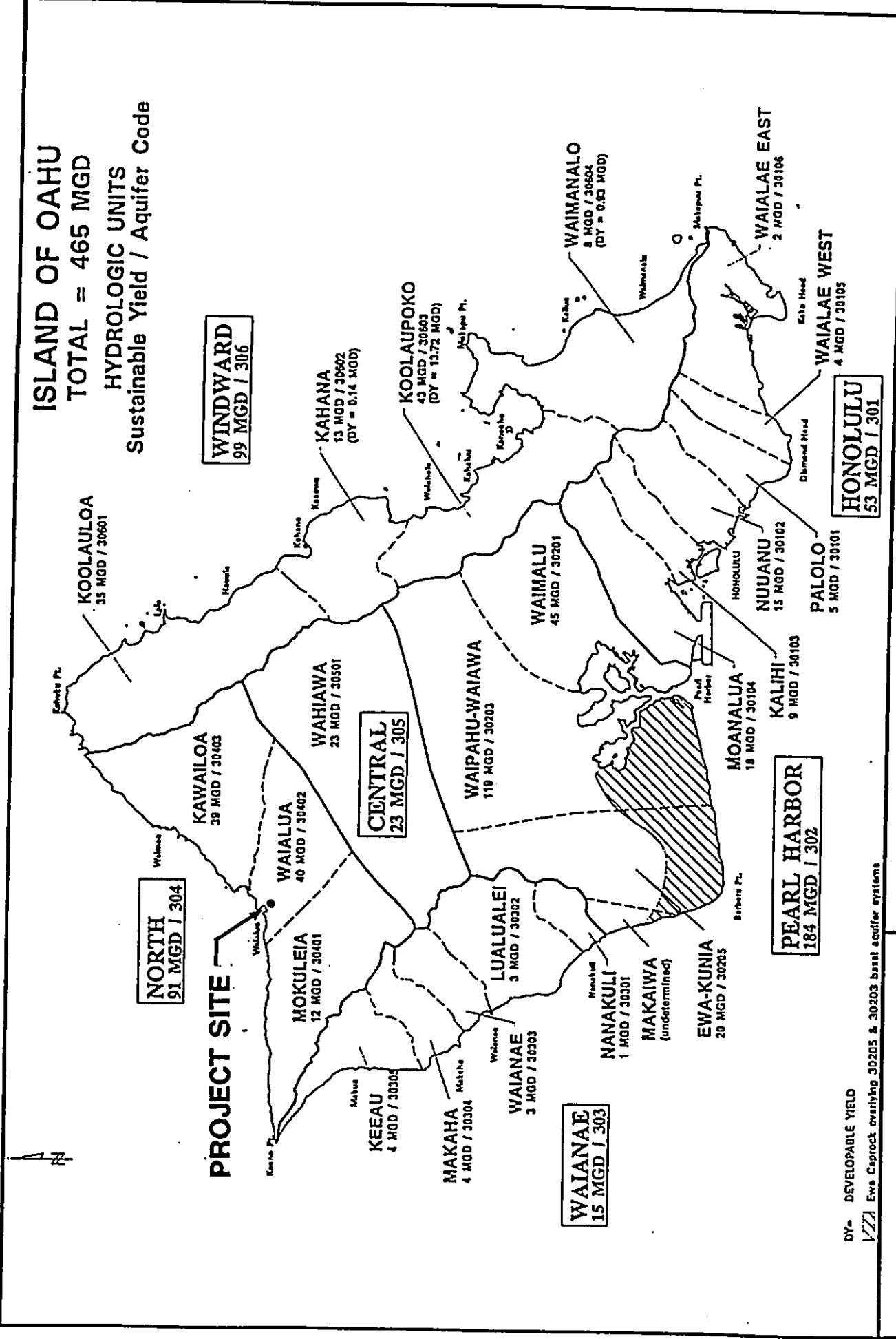


Fig. 5

OAHU GROUNDWATER MAP

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Water Management Areas

Under the State Water Code, Water Management Areas (WMA) may be designated by the CWRM when it can be reasonably determined that the water resources in an area may be threatened by existing or proposed withdrawals or diversions. Specifically, the designations are based on a determination that an aquifer, or contiguous groups of aquifers, is being exploited to and beyond the limits of sustainable yield. Sustainable yield refers to the maximum rate at which water may be withdrawn from a water source without impairing the utility or quality of the water source.

The basal aquifer underlying the Waialua WMA had been affected by heavy draft from improperly designed wells for sugar plantation irrigation, resulting in increasing salinity. Estimates of sustainable yields are based on water balances computed within system boundaries. In 1988, the Waialua aquifer showed a large deficit of withdrawals over sustainable yield. A CWRM earlier sustainable yield was determined at 5.0 mgd. It was subsequently determined that the sustainable yield estimate for the Waialua system was understated because spillage and leakage from the Wahiawa High Level System was not included. Presently, the sustainable yield for Waialua aquifer is 40 mgd.

Currently, there are Water Use Permits allocating up to 39.941 mgd of water from the Waialua aquifer; mostly for sugar cane irrigation. Since sugar is no longer being cultivated and water withdrawals have declined as a result, the CWRM is planning to revoke some of those allocations. Revocation of those allocations would be required before the CWRM could reallocate the water to the planned BWS wells through the Water Use Permit. As mentioned previously, the Water Use Permit would be required before a well could be put into production; not at the presently proposed exploratory stage. Of the 39.941 mgd allocated for use in 1997, actual basal use was 11.867 mgd. This substantially adds to the total developable resource in the Waialua aquifer (see Table 1). Growth of diversified agriculture would have priority on the released water. Present pumpage from former plantation wells is less than 2.0 mgd because replacement agriculture has access to approximately 30 mgd from Lake Wilson.

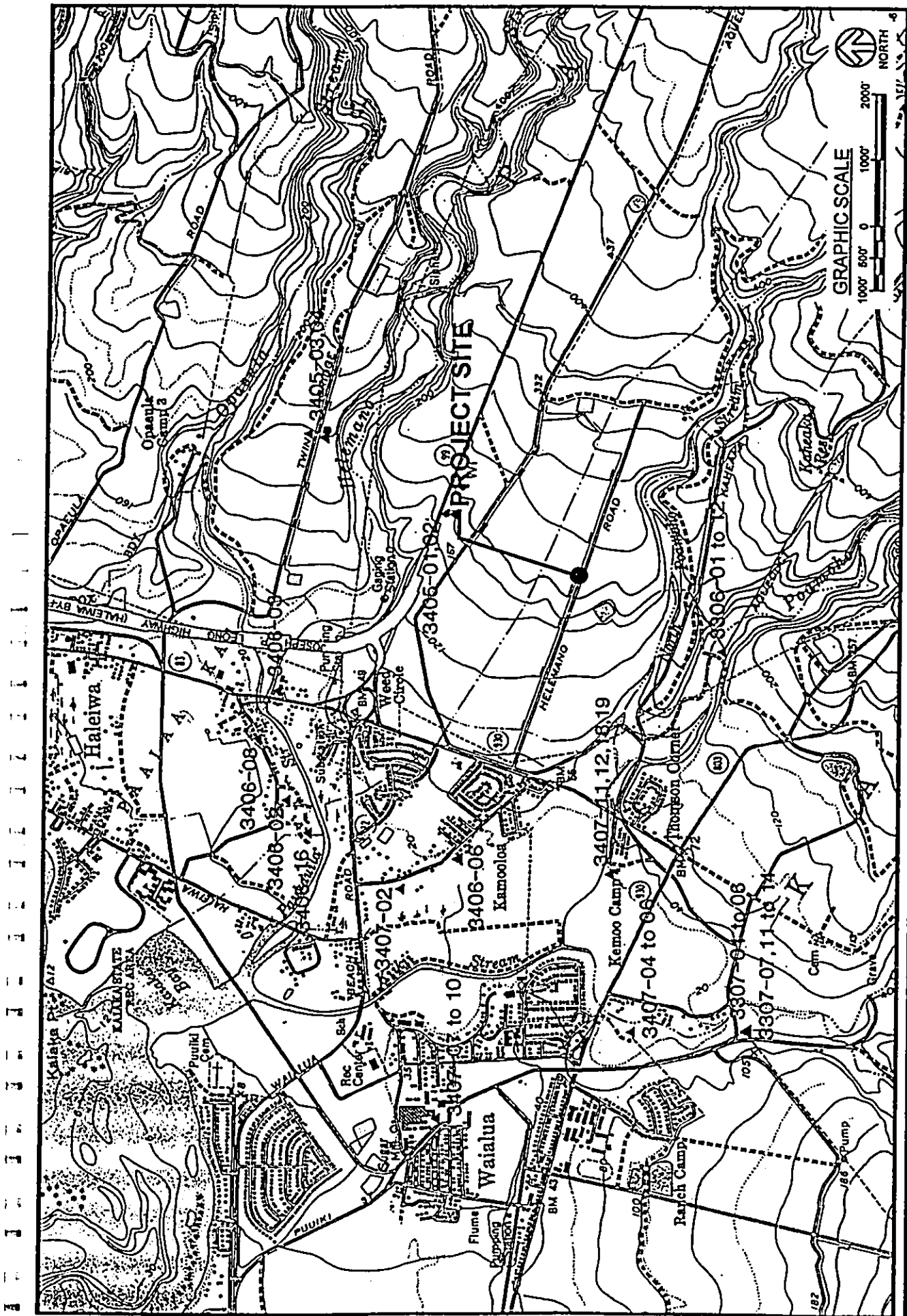
Table 1 Waiialua Aquifer System Groundwater Use and Sustainable Yield (mgd)				
Aquifer System	Sustainable Yield	1997 Permitted Use	1997 Actual Use	Available Sustainable Yield
Waiialua	40	39.941	11.867	28.133
Source: Department of Land and Natural Resources Water Resource Management Division				

Existing Water Sources

Of the 19 active water sources in the Waiialua aquifer, the BWS maintains two well sites; the Haleiwa Wells No. 3405-03, 04 and the Waiialua Wells No. 3405-01,02 (see Figure 6). 1997 records for the Waiialua aquifer indicate that of the 39.941 mgd permitted use, the BWS average actual use for the two well sites was 2.035 mgd of its 2.730 mgd allocation. Of the 35.892 mgd allocated for use by the Waiialua Sugar Company, less than 2.0 mgd is actually used. The remaining 1.319 mgd is allocated for use by 7 private sources.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Future development of the proposed project is not anticipated to adversely impact the quality of the basal aquifer. The increased yield in the Waiialua aquifer would be within the DLNR sustainable yield for basal water sources in the water management area and aquifer system. Development of the proposed well site is not expected to affect groundwater recharge. Due to the project's location in a designated water management area, a CWRM Water Use Permit will be required prior to use of this source.



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EXISTING WELL SITES

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2.5 Flood Hazard

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Number 150001 0040 B (revised September 4, 1987), the project site is designated Zone D, areas in which flood hazards are undetermined (see Figure 7).

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Due to its location on a gently sloping site, it is unlikely that construction and operation of the proposed project would result in flooding of the project site or lower elevation properties.

2.6 Drainage

Runoff from the project area sheetflows through former sugar cane fields into existing drainage ditches.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Water generated during test pumping will be discharged onto open fields and irrigation ditches. Water will not be discharged into streams. Since streams will not be used for water disposal, the discharge of water generated during test pumping is anticipated to have no affect on water quality. The development of the well site will not significantly reduce the area of open land available for rainfall infiltration.

2.7 Flora and Fauna

A botanical survey for the project site was conducted by Evangeline Funk, Ph.D. on September 18, 1997. The purpose of the survey was to characterize the vegetation, and to note the presence of any rare or endangered flora species. Portions of the survey report are discussed below, while the report in its entirety is included as Appendix A.

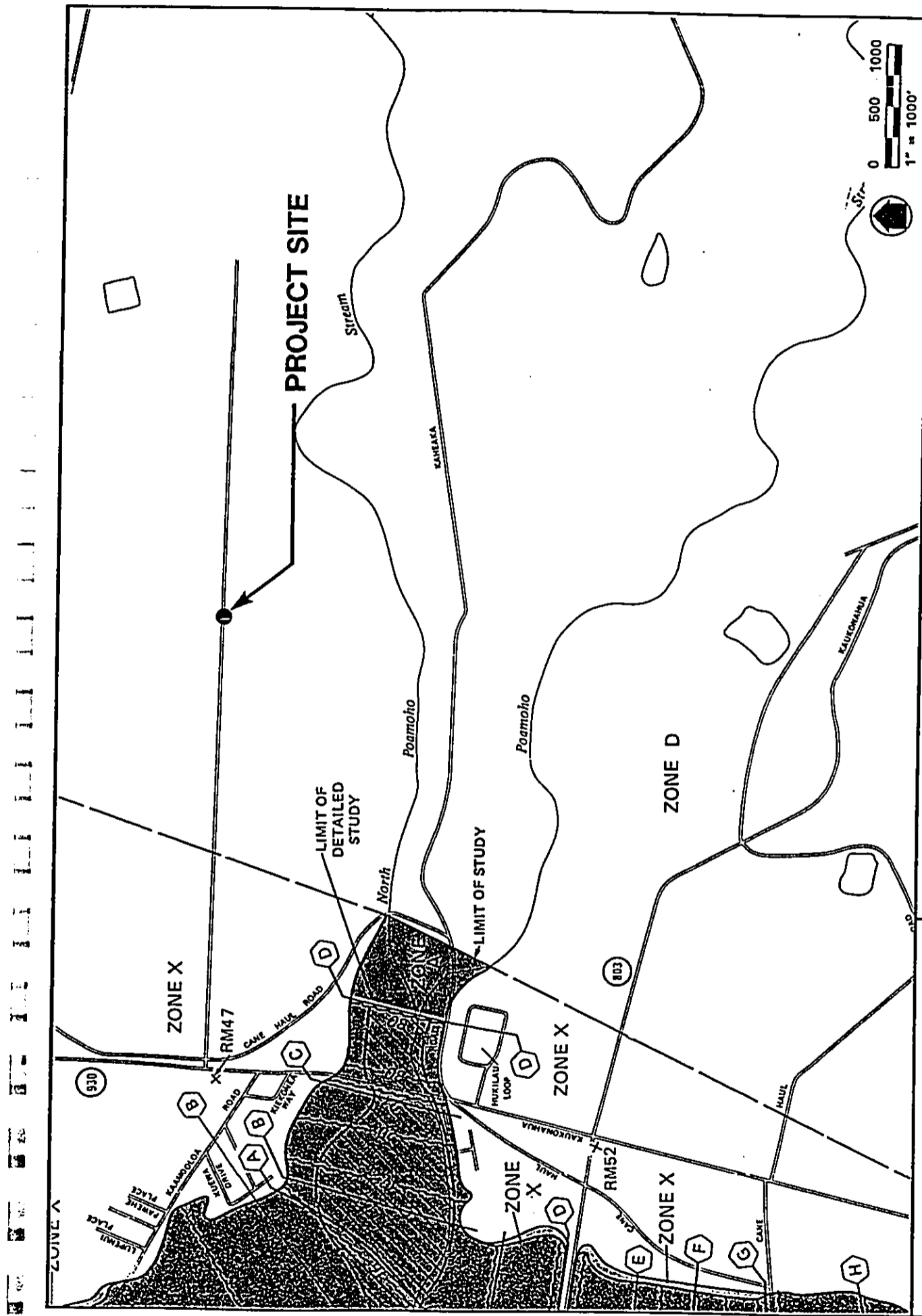


Fig. 7

FLOOD MAP

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The dominant vegetation at the project site is Guinea grass (*Panicum maximum* Jacq.) which is especially dense along the cane haul road that runs through the site. It is along this road that the greatest variety of herbaceous ruderals were found. No candidate, proposed, or listed threatened or endangered species as set forth in the Endangered Species Act of 1973 as amended (16 U.S.C 1531-1543), are known from this site.

In response to the pre-assessment consultation for this EA, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service indicated that there were no federally endangered, threatened, or candidate species directly within the project site. Excerpts from the October 16, 1997 consultation letter are discussed below, while their letter in its entirety is included in Appendix B. Because the proposed project will be located within a previously disturbed site, the Service does not anticipate adverse impacts to fish and wildlife resources.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

There are no known endangered or threatened species inhabiting the project site. While some loss of habitat will occur as a result of construction activities, none of the species affected are known to be threatened or endangered. The proposed project will be located within a previously disturbed site that was in sugarcane cultivation, therefore no significant impacts on flora and fauna species are anticipated.

2.8 Noise

Noise in the vicinity of the project site is predominantly attributable to vehicular traffic along Helemano Road, and Kaukonahua Road. The well site is located slightly more than one-half mile from Kaukonahua Road, distant enough to be unaffected by noise generated from automobile and truck traffic along the road. Helemano Road, along the well site, may occasionally be used by trucks associated with agricultural activities. The nearest residential community is located near Kamooloa, approximately 0.6 miles west of the project site.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Noise from drilling and construction activities will likely be unavoidable during the entire drilling and construction phase however, there are no noise sensitive land uses in the vicinity that could be adversely affected. Unavoidable construction noise impacts will be mitigated to some degree by the contractor's compliance with provisions of the State DOH Administrative Rules, Chapter 11-46, "Community Noise Control." These rules require a permit if the noise levels from construction activities are expected to exceed the allowable levels stated in the Chapter 46 rules. Construction equipment and on-site vehicles requiring an exhaust for gas and air must be equipped with mufflers. Also, the guidelines for the hours of heavy equipment operation and noise curfew times as set forth by the DOH noise control regulation must be adhered to.

No significant noise impacts from the test pumping are anticipated. Ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project site may increase slightly as a result of the pumping and associated increase in vehicular activity. No noise impacts upon the nearest residential community are anticipated due to the distance from the project site.

2.9 Traffic

Vehicular access to the project site is gained from north and south-bound Kaukonahua Road via Helemano Road. Helemano Road leads east from Kaukonahua Road slightly more than one-half mile to the project site. Due to the absence of any significant traffic generating land uses in the vicinity, traffic along Helemano Road is generally very light at all times of the day.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

During the construction and drilling phase, any temporary increase in traffic congestion that could result from the movement of construction related vehicles is unlikely to inconvenience motorists in the immediate vicinity of the project site. Helemano Road provides vehicular access to surrounding agricultural lands. If necessary to mitigate potential traffic congestion and delays on Kaukonahua Road, the movement of construction vehicles can be restricted during the morning and afternoon peak traffic

hours. Such restrictions will probably be unnecessary, however, since peak-hour traffic is in the opposite direction of traffic going from Kaukonahua Road to the project site. It is anticipated that all construction-related vehicles will park within the project site and, thus, will not affect street parking or traffic flow in the vicinity.

2.10 Air Quality

Within the immediate vicinity, air quality is primarily affected by vehicular-related emissions generated from traffic traveling along Helemano Road and Kaukonahua Road. However, as traffic operates generally well along these roadways throughout the day, and due to the distance of the project site from major roads, the associated vehicular emissions do not significantly affect ambient air quality in the area. While the area is currently uncultivated, future agricultural activities such as diversified crop farming could occasionally generate dust within the immediate vicinity of the project site.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Potential air quality impacts during the construction and drilling phase of the proposed project will be mitigated by complying with the State of Hawaii DOH Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 60, Air Pollution Control. During the construction phase, two potential types of air pollution emissions will likely occur: 1) fugitive dust from vehicle movement and soil excavation; and 2) carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxide emissions from on-site construction equipment and from construction workers' vehicles and equipment traveling to and from the project site. Compliance with State regulations will require adequate measures to control fugitive dust by methods such as water spraying and sprinkling of loose or exposed soil and dust-generating equipment during construction. As may be deemed appropriate, paving and/or re-establishment of vegetated areas early in the construction schedule will also help control dust. Exhaust emissions from construction vehicles are anticipated to have negligible impacts on air quality in the project vicinity as emissions would be relatively small and readily dissipated.

Once construction is completed, there will be no long-term air quality impacts. The test pumping phase of the project is not anticipated to significantly increase vehicular traffic to the project site and will have no significant impact on air quality in the vicinity.

2.11 Archaeological/Historic Resources

In response to the pre-assessment consultation for this EA the State Historic Preservation Division indicated that a review of their records shows there are no known historic sites at the project location. Excerpts from their October 24, 1997 consultation letter are discussed below, while the letter in its entirety is included in Appendix B. These lands were commercially cultivated with sugar cane which altered the land for many years. The depth of cane cultivation exceeded the expected depth of historic sites in the area, based on site patterns in similar environmental contexts. Thus, it is unlikely that significant historic sites will be found in the project area.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Due to previous sugar cane cultivation operations on the project site, it is unlikely that the construction and drilling phase of the project will have any impact on archaeological, cultural or historic sites. Should any archaeological, cultural or historic sites be uncovered during construction or drilling activities, all work in the vicinity will cease and the State of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources Historic Preservation Officer will be notified immediately.

2.12 Aesthetics

Due to its relative isolation, the project site is not visible from Kaukonahua Road and is not within a significant view plane.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

The project site is slightly more than one-half mile from Kaukonahua Road and is generally not visible to residential communities or passing commuters. Although the well

rig, necessary in the drilling phase, may be visible from Kaukonahua Road, it will not be a permanent structure and will not block any views. The exploratory well will not have a significant vertical profile and will have no significant visual impact to the North Shore area.

2.13 Socio-Economic

Population

According to staff communication with the City and County of Honolulu Planning Department, the North Shore DP area had a resident population of 15,749. Using market conditions, historical development trends, and current land use policies, the City and County of Honolulu Planning Department projected a 1995 population of 15,913 for the North Shore DP area out of an islandwide projection of 882,509, and it is likely to have a population of 19,560 out of an islandwide 1,071,200 by the year 2020. For both 1995 and 2020, the North Shore population projections represent 1.8 percent of Oahu's population.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

During well construction and testing construction workers and others, including BWS staff, will commute to the site. Following construction and testing, there will be no need for persons to be at the site until a decision is made to put the well into production. Thus, there will be no significant impacts to the population of the North Shore from the project.

Public Services

Police Protection: The exploratory well site is within the area served by the Honolulu Police Department, District 2, Wahiawa Station located approximately 7 miles from the project site at 330 N. Cane Street.

Fire Protection: Fire protection service for the project site is provided by the Honolulu Fire Department, Station 14, the Waialua/Haleiwa Station located approximately 1.5 miles from the project site at 66-420 Haleiwa Road.

Health Care Facilities: The health care facility nearest to the project site is the Wahiawa General Hospital located at 128 Lehua Street. Located approximately 7 miles away, Wahiawa General is a full service hospital providing emergency care and medivac transport capabilities.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures

There will not be any significant impacts on the provision of public services during the construction and testing phases of the proposed project.

Chapter 3

RELATIONSHIP TO PLANS, POLICIES AND CONTROLS

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3. RELATIONSHIP TO PLANS, POLICIES AND CONTROLS

3.1 State Land Use District

The Hawaii Land Use Law of Chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), classifies all lands in the State into four land use districts: Urban, Agricultural, Conservation and Rural. The project site is designated within the Agricultural District. Exploratory wells are not expressly permitted in §205-4.5, HRS. A Special Permit in the State Land Use Agricultural District will be required from the City and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting and the Planning Commission.

3.2 City and County of Honolulu General Plan

The General Plan for the City and County of Honolulu (adopted 1977) was amended by the City Council in 1992. The plan is a statement of long-range social, economic, environmental and design objectives for the general welfare and prosperity of the people of Oahu. The plan is also a statement of broad policies which facilitate the attainment of the objectives of the plan. Eleven subject areas provide the framework for the City's expression of public policy concerning the needs of the people and functions of government. These areas include population; economic activity; the natural environment; housing; transportation and utilities; energy; physical development and urban design; public safety; health and education; culture and recreation; and government operation and fiscal management. The relationship of the proposed project to the relevant objectives and policies of the General Plan are as follows:

V. *Transportation and Utilities*

Objective B: To meet the needs of the people of Oahu for an adequate supply of water and for environmentally sound systems of waste disposal.

Policy 1: Develop and maintain an adequate supply of water for both residents and visitors.

Policy 2: Develop and maintain an adequate supply of water for agricultural and industrial needs.

Objective C: To maintain a high level of service for all utilities.

Policy 3: Plan for the timely and orderly expansion of utility systems.

3.3 City and County of Honolulu Development Plan

The City and County of Honolulu's DP program provides a relatively detailed framework for implementing the objectives and policies of the General Plan on an areawide basis. Eight DPs have been adopted covering the entire island. Each DP Ordinance consists of Common Provisions applicable to all DP areas, Special Provisions for each area, a Land Use Map, and a Public Facilities Map. The DP Land Use Maps depict land use patterns which are consistent with objectives and policies of the General Plan.

The project site is located within the North Shore DP area which encompasses the area extending from Waialeale Gulch near Kawela Bay west to Kaena Point. The North Shore DP Land Use Map designates the project site as "Agricultural." The DP Common Provisions identifies Agricultural lands as areas "suitable for crop growing, grazing and the raising of livestock, flower gardening, nurseries or orchards, aquaculture, or similar activities." Exploratory wells are allowed in any land use district, the Thomson Corner Well exploratory well site is permissible within the DP Agricultural land use category.

DP Special Provisions for North Shore

Section 24-8.3 of the DP Special Provisions for North Shore states various development priorities and projects to be supported by public plans and programs. The relationship of the proposed project to the relevant development priorities of the Special Provision for the North Shore DP area is as follows:

- (d) *The improvement of water resources to agricultural, aquacultural, and needed urban uses.*

The proposed project is not located within the Haleiwa Town Special Area, and is consistent with the North Shore DP Special Provisions Section 24-8.2.

North Shore DP Public Facilities Map

The DP Public Facilities Map identifies public and private proposals for parks, streets and highways, major public buildings, utilities, terminals, and drainage. The North Shore DP Public Facilities Map does not show any symbols in the project vicinity. Section 24-1.8 of the DP Common Provisions clarifies that identification of public buildings, public or private utilities, terminal and drainage on DP Land Use and Public Facilities Maps. §23-1.8(2)(C) further states "exploratory wells are not depicted and may be allowed in any land use district." Should the exploratory well site be converted into a production well, an amendment to the North Shore DP Public Facilities Map would be required identifying the well site.

3.4 City and County of Honolulu Land Use Ordinance and Zoning

The project is zoned AG-1 Restricted Agricultural District. The intent of the AG-1 restricted agricultural district is to conserve and protect important agricultural lands for the performance of agricultural functions by permitting only those uses which perpetuate the retention of those lands in the production of food, feed, forage, fiber crops and horticultural plants. Within the AG-1 district, public uses and structures are permitted. Public uses and structures are defined as uses conducted by or structures owned or managed by the federal government, the State of Hawaii or city to fulfill a governmental function, activity or service for public benefit and in accordance with public policy. As a public use and structure the exploratory well is permissible within the AG-1 district.

3.5 City and County of Honolulu Special Management Area

The Coastal Zone Management Act contains the general objectives and policies upon which all counties within the State have structured specific legislation which created Special Management Areas (SMA). Any development within the SMA requires an SMA Use Permit, which is administered by the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Planning and Permitting pursuant to Ordinance No. 84-4.

While a portion of the parcel in which the project site is located may be within the SMA, the project site itself is located outside the boundaries of the City and County's SMA. Therefore, development of the proposed project is not subject to the provisions of the SMA Use Permit.

Chapter 4

ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED ACTION

4. ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED ACTION

4.1 No Action

The proposed project is part of the overall groundwater development program intended to meet anticipated consumer demands for potable water and fulfill the BWS's legal mandate to provide for the water needs of a growing population. The objective of the exploratory well is to determine the potential of the Thomson Corner Well as a future source of potable water. Under the no action alternative, the BWS would not be able to provide adequately for increasing water needs which may result in regional water shortages and restrictions in new developments. The no action alternative is not considered a feasible option to the proposed project.

4.2 Delayed Action

Although the proposed project is not currently scheduled, delay of the project once budgeted could increase the cost when construction ultimately begins. The delay would increase the risk that consumer water demands may exceed available water supplies. Delaying the project would not rule out its necessity in the near future. The delayed action alternative is not considered a feasible option to the proposed project.

4.3 Alternative Location

The BWS is responsible for management, control and operation of the municipal water system for certain areas of Oahu. As part of this responsibility, the BWS must identify well sites for exploratory drilling and eventual production of water. A number of factors are considered by the BWS in the selection of potential alternative exploratory well sites, including subsurface geologic and groundwater characteristics, depth of drilling to the water resource, nearby surface water system, ease of access, surrounding terrain, natural and cultural resources, and environmental impacts. The Thomson Corner Well exploratory well site was selected after consideration of all these factors. Thus, there are no alternative sites which meet the determining factors established by the BWS at this site.

4.4 Alternative Sources

Alternatives to potable groundwater analyzed and investigated in the BWS 1995, *Final Draft, Oahu Water Plan* included; desalination, surface and brackish groundwater development, reclaimed water use and conservation of existing resources. With the exception of conservation, these alternatives share high development costs and technological challenges.

Treatment plants for desalination, treatment of brackish and surface water, and reuse of effluent wastewater share high capital and operation and maintenance costs. In addition to high costs, the use of these alternative sources is not without potential environmental concerns. Wastewater reuse, is additionally plagued with concerns of potential health implications and possible soil contamination. The use of surface water sources could affect stream flows resulting in potential impacts to aquatic, riparian, cultural and recreational resources.

Desalination

The desalination of brackish water and sea water could satisfy a portion of future demand and also provide for the maintenance and recovery of water quality in basal aquifers. Desalination plants could produce a local supply within areas of demand, thereby minimizing the need to transport water over long distances. The main disadvantage is the cost of production, which will increase water rates. Desalination will become increasingly feasible as the capital costs of developing marginal potable ground water sources from remote service areas approach the cost of constructing a desalination plant. However, the operation and maintenance costs of producing and distributing desalinated water are at least 10 times more than the cost of pumping groundwater. It would be preferred if desalination could be deferred until new technology reduces operating and maintenance costs or existing operating costs rise closer to desalination.

Surface Water

A surface water study of Kahana, Punaluu and Waikele streams was funded by the BWS to explore the feasibility of potable development and infrastructure requirements. Findings indicate that the potable development of streams is not feasible due to environmental constraints and safe drinking water treatment and monitoring requirements.

Reclaimed Water Use

Reclaimed water is produced through the treatment of raw wastewater to a quality that is suitable for nonpotable water use. Public health concerns and high costs for dual water system infrastructure limit the extent of reuse. Ongoing studies and discussions are required to review the costs, appropriate treatment level, quality of reclaimed water produced, and potential health implications of reclaimed water on various agricultural crops and potable aquifer sources.

Conservation

Water conservation has significant potential to reduce demand and defer the need to develop potable supplies. The BWS has initiated an ambitious conservation program, including public education, inverted residential water rates, leak detection, low-flow plumbing fixtures, audits, drought tolerant plants, dual water systems, and water use restriction plans. In 1990, the conservation objectives of the BWS was to reduce per capita water use by 10 percent over five years. A separate water conservation unit in the BWS was established in April 1991 to monitor and help implement water conservation efforts. A reduction of approximately 7 percent was achieved by 1995. However, water conservation should not be construed as a substitute solution for the timely development of high quality ground water resources or other alternatives.

As existing aquifer resources approach the sustainable yield limits for the island of Oahu, a combination of strategies are needed in order to provide the required water supply to support future growth. Until such time that alternative source development can reliably and economically supplement existing resources, conservation in conjunction with the development of potable groundwater will remain the preferred BWS management strategy.

Chapter 5

PERMITS REQUIRED

5. PERMITS REQUIRED

The following is a list of permits and approvals which may be required prior to construction of the proposed project:

State of Hawaii

Department of Land and Natural Resources
Commission on Water Resource Management
○ Well Construction Permit

City and County of Honolulu

Department of Planning and Permitting and
Planning Commission
○ Special Permit in the State Land Use Agricultural District

Should the exploratory well be converted to full production, a permanent Pump Installation Permit and Water Use Permit will be required from the State Commission on Water Resource Management.

Exploratory wells are considered a minor action and are not required to be shown on the Development Plan Public Facilities Map. If the well is developed for full production, the Development Plan Public Facilities Map will be amended to include the potable well facility.

Water withdrawn from these tests will be disposed of on-site in the surrounding agricultural fields and/or irrigation ditches; no water will be disposed of into streams or other natural drainage courses. A National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit will not be required, as water withdrawn during test pumping will not be discharged into any surface streams or coastal waters.

Chapter 6

CONSULTATION

6. CONSULTATION

6.1 Pre-Assessment Consultation

The following agencies were consulted during the pre-assessment phase of the Draft Environmental Assessment. Each agency was sent a copy of a project summary and a request for their written comments on the project. The agencies which transmitted comment letters are indicated with a ☒. All written comments and responses are reproduced in Appendix B.

Federal

- U.S. Department of Agriculture
 - Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Department of the Interior
 - Geological Survey, Water Resources Division
 - ☒ Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services

State of Hawaii

- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Business Economic Development and Tourism
 - ☒ Office of Planning
- Department of Health
 - ☒ Safe Drinking Water Branch
 - ☒ Office of Environmental Quality Control
- Department of Land and Natural Resources
 - ☒ Water Resource Management Division
 - ☒ State Historic Preservation Division
- ☒ Office of Hawaiian Affairs

City and County of Honolulu

- Board of Water Supply
- ☞ Department of Planning and Permitting (former Department of Land Utilization)
- ☞ Planning Department

Other

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6.2 Agencies and Organizations Consulted on the Draft EA

The following agencies were consulted during the Draft EA 30-day review period. The agencies which transmitted comment letters are indicated with a ☞. All written comments and responses are reproduced in Appendix C.

Federal

- ☞ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- ☞ Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Department of the Interior
- Geological Survey, Water Resources Division
- ☞ Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services

State of Hawaii

- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Business Economic Development and Tourism
- ☞ Office of Planning

Department of Health

- ☐ Safe Drinking Water Branch
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- ☐ Aquatic Resources Division
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Chapter 7

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APPENDIX A

BOTANICAL SURVEY

BOTANICAL SURVEY REPORT FOR THOMSON CORNER I EXPLORATORY WELL SITE

INTRODUCTION

The Thomson Corner I Exploratory Well Site is located at approximately 225 feet elevation in an open grassland above Kamooloa not far from Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii. A botanical survey of the approximately one acre site was conducted on September 18, 1997. The entire site was covered.

RESULTS

The Thomson Corner Well I site is in an area that was formerly used for growing sugar cane (*Saccharium officinarum* L.) and is now being used to grow fodder grass (*Panicum coloratum* L. or kien grass). In 1841, William Brackenridge, a botanist with the Wilkes Expedition described the country around Waialua as "rocky and unprofitable" (Funk 1988). In 1942 Ripperton and Hosaka classified this area as "low elevation scrub".

The dominant vegetation of this site is Guinea grass (*Panicum maximum* Jacq.) which is especially dense along the cane haul road that runs through the site. Along this road is where the greatest variety of herbaceous ruderals were found. All are listed below.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

No candidate, proposed, or listed threatened or endangered species as set forth in the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543), were found or are known from this site.

SPECIES LIST

<u>SCIENTIFIC NAME</u>	<u>COMMON NAME</u>	<u>ABUNDANCE</u>
POACEAE - Grass Family		
* <i>Chloris divaricata</i> R. Br.	Stargrass	Occasional

* A star before the name of the plant indicates a species introduced into Hawaii after the arrival of Capt. James Cook.

<u>SCIENTIFIC NAME</u>	<u>COMMON NAME</u>	<u>ABUNDANCE</u>
POACEAE - Grass Family con't		
* <i>Echinochloa colona</i> (L.) Link	Jungle rice	Locally abundant
* <i>Eleusine indica</i> (L.) Gaertn.	Wiregrass	Locally abundant
* <i>Panicum coloratum</i>	Klien grass	Locally abundant
* <i>Panicum maximum</i> Jacq.	Guinea grass	Common
AMARANTHACEAE - Amaranth Family		
* <i>Amaranthus spinosus</i> L.	Spiny amaranth	Occasional
APIACEAE - Parsley Family		
* <i>Ciclospermum leptophyllum</i> (Pers.) Sprague	Fir-leaved celery	Locally abundant
ASTERACEAE - Sunflower Family		
* <i>Bidens alba</i> (L.) DC	Spanish needle	Occasional
* <i>Coryza bonariensis</i> (L.) Cronq.	Hairy horseweed	Occasional
* <i>Ecliptia alba</i>		
* <i>Emilia coccinea</i> (Sims) G. Don	Flora's paint brush	Locally abundant
* <i>Emilia sonchifolia</i> (L.) DC	Floras paintbrush	Locally abundant
* <i>Erechtites hieracifolia</i> (L.) Raf. ex DC		Occasional
* <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i> L.	Sow thistle	Occasional
BRASSICACEAE - Mustard Family		
* <i>Lepidium oblongum</i> Small		Uncommon
CONVOLVULACEAE - Morning-glory Family		
* <i>Ipomoea triloba</i> L.	Little bell	Uncommon
CUCURBITACEAE - Gourd Family		
* <i>Coccinia grandis</i> (L.) Voigt	Ivy gourd	Occasional
* <i>Mormordica charantia</i> L.	Balsam pear	Occasional
EUPHORBIACEAE - Spurge Family		
* <i>Chamaesyce hirta</i> (L.) Millsp.	Hairy spurge	Occasional
* <i>Chamaesyce hypericifolia</i> (L.) Millsp.	Graceful spurge	Occasional
* <i>Euphorbia cyathophora</i> J. A. Murray	Mexican fire plant	Occasional
FABACEAE - Bean Family		
* <i>Crotalaria pallida</i> Aiton	Smooth rattle pod	Occasional
* <i>Leucanea leucocephala</i> (Lam.) deWit	Koa haole	Uncommon

<u>SCIENTIFIC NAME</u>	<u>COMMON NAME</u>	<u>ABUNDANCE</u>
NYCTAGINACEAE - Four-o'clock Family		
* <i>Boerhavia coccinia</i> Mill.		Occasional
STERCULIACEAE - Cacao Family		
* <i>Waltheria indica</i> L.	'Uhaloa	Occasional

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APPENDIX B

PRE-ASSESSMENT CONSULTATION LETTERS



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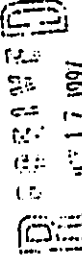
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Re: Draft Environmental Assessment; Pre-Assessment Consultation for Haleiwa II, Waialua II, and Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Sites, Waialua, Hawaii

Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has reviewed the information provided in your three letters of October 3, 1997. The proposed project by Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc. involves the preparation of draft environmental assessments for the proposed drilling, casing and testing of three wells in Waialua, HI; Haleiwa Well II, Waialua Well II, and Thomson Corner Well. The exploratory wells will provide data on the potential for new groundwater resources. The project sponsor is the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply.

The Service has reviewed the provided information as well as other information contained in our files, including maps prepared by The Nature Conservancy's Hawaii Natural Heritage Program. To the best of our knowledge, there are no federally endangered, threatened, or candidate species directly within the project site. Because the project will be located within a previously disturbed site, the Service does not anticipate significant adverse impacts to fish and wildlife resources. However, the Service should be informed if any endangered, threatened or candidate species are identified during the botanical surveys.

If you have any questions or comments please contact Fish and Wildlife Biologist John Schmerfeld at (808) 541-3441.

Sincerely,

Brooks Harper
Field Supervisor
Ecological Services

Dear Mr. Harper:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment
Pre-Assessment Consultation
Thomson Corner Well
Proposed Exploratory Well Site
Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii

Thank you for your letter dated October 16, 1997 (Ref: JJS) expressing your belief that "there are no federally endangered, threatened, or candidate species directly within the project site," and that "because the project will be located within a previously disturbed site, the Service does not anticipate significant adverse impacts to fish and wildlife resources."

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the pre-assessment consultation phase of the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mr. Barry Usagawa, Board of Water Supply



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Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

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Waialua Well II, Haleiwa Well II, and Thomson Corner Well,
Waialua, Oahu

This is in response to your letters of October 3, 1997, requesting review and comment on the proposed well sites. We do not have any comments or concerns to offer at this time relative to the plans and programs of the Office of Planning and Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism.

If there are any questions, please contact Charles Carole of our Coastal Zone Management Program at 587-2804.

Sincerely,

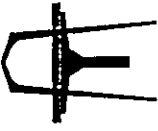
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Thank you for your letter dated October 14, 1997 expressing that you have no comments to offer at this time on the subject project.

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the pre-assessment consultation phase of the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

SUBJECT: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
PRE-ASSESSMENT CONSULTATION
HALEIWA WELL II, THOMSON CORNER WELL, AND WAIALUA
WELL II PROJECTS

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the project summaries and location maps of the three project sites. We have the following comments to offer:

1. Federal and state regulations define a public water system as a system that serves 25 or more individuals at least 60 days per year or has at least 15 service connections. All public water system owners and operators are required to comply with Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 20, "Rules Relating to Potable Water Systems."
2. The three projects will include the development of new potable water sources. Section 11-20-29 of Chapter 20 requires that all new sources of potable water serving a public water system be approved by the Director of Health prior to its use. Such an approval is based primarily upon the submission of a satisfactory engineering report which addresses the requirements set in Section 11-20-29.

Mr. Earl Matsukawa
October 9, 1997
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3. Please note that the proposed Haleiwa Well II, Thomson Corner Well and Waialua Well II are situated in areas that formerly were used for sugar cane cultivation. The engineering reports must identify all potential sources of contamination and evaluate alternative control measures which could be implemented to reduce or eliminate the potential for contamination, including treatment of the water sources.
4. In addition, water quality analyses for each well, performed by a laboratory certified in the State of Hawaii, must be submitted as part of the report to demonstrate compliance with all drinking water standards. Additional tests may be required by the Director of Health upon his review of the information submitted.
5. Section 11-20-30 requires that new or substantially modified distribution systems for public water systems be approved by the Director. However, if the water system is under the jurisdiction of the City and County of Honolulu, the Honolulu Board of Water Supply will be responsible for the review and approval of the plans.

If you should have any questions, please contact Ms. Queenie Komori of the Safe Drinking Water Branch at 586-4258.

Sincerely,

William Wong
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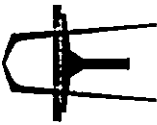
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Thank you for your letter dated October 9, 1997 commenting on the subject project. We offer the following responses in the respective order of the comments:

1. The draft EA will indicate that future development of these exploratory wells will comply with Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 20, "Rules Relating to Potable Water Systems."
2. Should any of the three projects be developed as new potable water sources serving a public water system, an engineering report addressing the requirements of Section 11-20-29 of Chapter 20 will be submitted to the Director of Health for approval.
3. The engineering report will identify all potential sources of contamination and evaluate alternative control measures which could be implemented to reduce or eliminate the potential for contamination, including treatment of the water sources. The draft EA will indicate that a Granular Activated Charcoal water treatment facility may be required at the well site.
4. Water quality analyses for each well, performed by a laboratory certified in the State of Hawaii, will be submitted to demonstrate compliance with all drinking water standards.

5. Since the water system will be under the jurisdiction of the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply, they will be responsible for the review and approval of the new or substantially modified distribution systems plans.

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the EA pre-assessment consultation process.

Sincerely,

Earl Matukawa, AICP
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Remarks: Pre-Assessment Consultation for well project
Please refer to the attached guidelines
in preparing EA for the project.

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DRAFT GUIDELINES FOR ASSESSING WATER WELL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

In addition to the content requirements for environmental assessments and impact statements, which are set out in the EIS rules, any well development project should include, where applicable, the following information.

The purpose of these guidelines is to provide preparers and reviewers a general standard of completeness to apply for any EA or EIS relating to well development.

NOTE: Pursuant to HAR 51A-200-8(a)(5), basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource may be exempt from preparing an environmental assessment. Accordingly, drilling of monitor wells as defined by the CWRM provided the well shall not be capable of being used or intended to be used to withdraw groundwater for the purposes of exploring or developing ground water may be exempt.

Environmental assessments for exploratory wells should not need to comply with all the information requirements below because some of the information will not be available until the well is tested. Should the exploratory well yield positive results and demonstrate production capability, a second environmental assessment for the production well should be prepared to comply with all the information requirements.

1. Orientation Maps
Maps with the appropriate scale and coverage (to analyze the aquifer or hydrologic unit) that show the following:
a) General information: location of proposed well, TNR or land ownership maps, location of existing and future wells in the affected aquifer or hydrologic unit, and general references such as roads, schools, etc.
b) Hydrologic information: aquifer or hydrologic unit boundary, nearby streams and wetlands, known or assumed groundwater flowpaths, known or assumed water level contours.
c) Contamination information: Points or regions of known contamination, points of potential contamination (landfills, individual wastewater disposal systems (cesspools, septic tanks, aeration units), hazardous waste sites, dry wells and injection wells), known or assumed chloride levels at specified depths in relation to nearest or adjacent wells, likely wellhead protection area for the proposed well.

NOTE: New injection wells and dry wells are prohibited from within 1/4 mile of a drinking water well. New water wells should not be situated in areas that have a significant need for

injection wells, drywells or on-site individual wastewater disposal systems.

2. Aquifer or Hydrologic Unit Status

A description of the aquifer or hydrologic unit status including the following:

- * Sustainable yields or other measures of water availability
- * Authorized water use by the Commission on Water Resource Management (for Water Management Areas only)
- * Data table presenting the following information as appropriate

- Current water use totals, including subtotals for individual users
- Current installed capacity including subtotals for individual wells and/or groups of wells.
- Pending installed capacity and/or use for the proposed well and subtotals for individual wells and/or groups of wells within the aquifer

NOTE: Format suggestions and sample data tables for aquifer status data are contained in appendix #11

3. Contamination Analysis

A record of contamination problems in the aquifer or hydrologic unit including but not limited to saltwater intrusion, turbidity, heavy metals, inorganic and organic chemicals, microbiological agents, water quality parameters (such as pH, alkalinity, calcium, conductivity and temperature), and radioactivity. If contamination exists, the sources and duration of the contamination should be listed. Water quality data from nearby wells should be presented as well as any anticipated need for treatment or filtering systems. Discuss past and existing land uses within the likely wellhead protection area and the potential for future contamination from those uses.

Any hazardous materials used and/or produced during drilling and treatment should be described. The method of handling these hazardous materials should also be disclosed.

4. Hydrologic Impact Analysis

A discussion of the potential effects the well development may have on affiliated groundwater and surface water (e.g., streams and wetlands). Relevant hydrologic, physical, chemical, and biological data for potentially affected waters should be included. If potential impacts exist, a monitoring program for the surface waters should be included. A description of the affected sector within the watershed and groundwater recharge area should also be provided.

NOTE: See appendix #2 for sample description.

The EA should include pump test data on water level, extraction rates, and water quality. Similar data from nearby wells should also be included. The precise criteria used to determine if the well should be converted to production should be described. Any provisions for future use and monitoring of wells not placed into production should also be described.

5. Biological Assessment

A floral and faunal survey for sites in biologically sensitive areas.

6. Archaeological and Cultural Impact Assessment

A description of the archaeological and cultural significance of the region, including an on-site survey as well as consultations with Native Hawaiian groups such as DHH, OHA and local community associations. (The Environmental Council is developing a Cultural Impact Assessment Protocol that when completed, could be used for this purpose.)

7. Financial and Institutional Arrangements

In some instances, a well is developed by private financing, the transfer of public lands to government or private developers, or in return for a water allocation credit to supply an urban development. The EA should include a full discussion of any institutional, financial or land use arrangements or commitments related to developing the well and delivering water to end users.

These arrangements may include the formation of public utility companies and subsequent rate-setting, the establishment of county water commitments, the co-funding of state or county water system development, an executive order or other set-aside of state lands, and purchase of land or easements by public entities.

All permits or governmental approvals required to fulfill these commitments should be listed.

8. Watershed and Land Use Analysis

A discussion of how waters from the well will be used, and an analysis of how the proposed well development may affect land and water uses on the island and in the region. The analysis should include a discussion of the following (published materials may be referenced):

- * Hawaii State Water Plan and its component parts
- * County General, Development, and/or Community Plans
- * Plans for future water development within the aquifer
- * Any related water, wastewater, drainage or erosion control plans
- * Soil and Water Conservation Plans for related agricultural lands
- * Historical water supply and demand figures for the region
- * How the well may affect existing water sources
- * Any secondary or cumulative impacts caused by promoting land uses that alter the hydrology of the source and/or end-use area
- * An assessment of the well's impact on the major land owners in the region and a declaration if ceded lands are involved.
- * An assessment of any impact the well development may have on small landowners or water users including farmers and kuleana residents.

9. Alternative Analysis

A list of alternatives to new groundwater development and discussion of their related costs and benefits. The list should include but not be limited to wastewater reuse, rainfall catchment, conservation, and existing potable and nonpotable water supplies.

10. Impacts of Accessory Facilities

A description of impacts associated with the well's permanent production facilities including pumps, distribution pipelines, control devices, storage facilities, access roads and accessory structures

Appendix #1

FORMAT SUGGESTIONS AND SAMPLE TABLES AND CHARTS TO DISPLAY SUSTAINABLE YIELD DATA.

Sustainable Yield

Sustainable yield policies for basal aquifers involve trade-offs between groundwater extraction rates and aquifer water levels. The selected extraction rate implies acceptance of the affiliated equilibrium head (h_e), the water level at which the aquifer stabilizes under pumping at sustainable yield levels.

Equilibrium head is usually less than pre-development water levels or initial head (h_i). For comparative purposes, it is helpful to attach values of h_e and h_i to sustainable yield figures. Groundwater extraction can then be discussed in terms of its relationships with sustainable yields and water levels.

Data Subtotals and Grouping

To assure the clarity of information presented in the EA, tables for the following categories of data should be grouped by user/operator and landowner.

Categories for Data Tables in the EA

- * Current water use totals
- * Current installed capacity
- * Pending installed capacity
- * Authorized water use

To assist in spatial analysis, subtotals should also be grouped for aquifer sub areas and/or water quality regimes (such as zones of varying recharge of extraction intensity or chloride concentration).

A sample table for the display of this data is presented in the next page.

number should be the same as the "rated pump capacity or installed pump capacity" as reported by the well owner to the CWRH.
 ** Average water use based upon water meter readings as reported by the well owner to the CWRH. The average should be based on the appropriate number of years of data.

Aquifer or Hydrologic Unit Status Data

Sustainable Yield = 40 mgd
 Critical head = 20 feet
 Equilibrium head = 18 feet

Authorized Water Use (for water management areas only) = 36 mgd

Table 1: Overall Aquifer or Hydrologic Unit Status Data in million gallons per day

Land Owner	Authorized Water Use (Permitted by CWRH)	Existing (E)		Planned/Pending (P)		Potential Future (E + P)	
		Pump Capacity	Average Use **	Pump Capacity	Proposed Use	Pump Capacity	Proposed Use
A	4	5	4	5	+4	10	8
B	7	10	7	5	+2	15	9
C	25	25	15	10	-5	35	10
Total	36	40	26	20	+1	60	27

Table 2: Aquifer or Hydrologic Unit Status Data for Landowner C in million gallons per day

Well Site	Authorized Water Use (Permitted by CWRH)	Existing (E)		Planned/Pending (P)		Potential Future (E + P)	
		Pump Capacity	Average Use **	Pump Capacity	Proposed Use	Pump Capacity	Proposed Use
Hauka	10	10	8	0	0	10	8
Makai	5	5	0	0	0	5	0
Centra	10	10	7	0	-5	15	2
Total	25	25	15	0	-5	40	10

Notes:
 * Total amount of water a well pump is capable of removing from the ground under ideal conditions in a 24-hour period. This

Appendix #2

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION LIST FOR THE AFFECTED SECTOR WITHIN A WATERSHED AND GROUNDWATER RECHARGE AREA

Below you will find a list of characteristics that should be discussed in the description of affected sector within a watershed and groundwater recharge area.

Watershed:

1. Drainage area boundaries
2. Drainage networks and patterns
3. Groundwater discharges as sources of surface water flows
4. Surface water flow and habitat characteristics
 - a. timing, magnitude, duration, frequency of groundwater-source baseflows
 - b. relationships between baseflows and aquatic and riparian habitats and communities,
 - c. water quality
 - d. water uses (e.g., ditch or 'auwai systems)

Recharge Area:

1. Boundaries
2. Geologic structure
3. Groundwater flow patterns
4. Overlying land and water uses, and runoff patterns.
5. Relationships between recharge rates and patterns, and climatic variations
6. Relationships between proposed groundwater extraction and associated activities, and aquifer water levels
7. Storage volumes, other wells, discharges to surface and coastal waters, and water quality parameters

APPENDIX #3

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

1) Hydrologic information may be obtained from the Commission on Water Resources Management. These include:

- a) location of existing wells;
- b) CWRM aquifer boundary;
- c) information on nearby streams;
- d) sustainable yield for aquifer;
- e) authorized water use by CWRM (for water management areas only);
- f) current water use within aquifer;
- g) pending installed capacity within aquifer;
- h) installed capacity and water use within aquifer;
- i) Hawaii State Water Plan and its component parts;
- j) water levels of nearby wells; and
- k) salinity levels of nearby wells.

2) Contamination information may be obtained from the Department of Health. These include:

- Safe Drinking Water Branch
- a) results of water quality tests of nearby wells;
 - b) records of contamination problems in the aquifer; and
 - c) locations of drywell and injection wells.
- Wastewater Branch
- a) locations of individual wastewater systems.
- Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch
- a) location of hazardous waste sites; and
 - b) location of landfills.

3) Information about the well head protection area may be obtained from the Groundwater Protection Program, Environmental Planning Office, Department of Health.

4) Information about wetlands may be obtained from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

5) County general, development and community plans may be obtained from the respective planning departments.

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Dear Mr. Gill:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment
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Thomson Corner Well
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Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii

Thank you for your facsimile dated October 23, 1997 transmitting the "Draft Guidelines for Assessing Water Well Development Projects." We will refer to these draft guidelines in preparing the draft EA.

Your facsimile, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the pre-assessment consultation phase of the environmental review process.

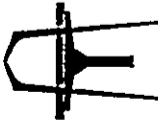
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Dear Mr. Matukawa:

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Haleiwa Well II, Waiiua Well II, and Thomson Corner Well
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Waiiua, Oahu, Hawaii

Thank you for the opportunity to review the subject document. Our comments related to water resources are marked below.

In general, the CWRM strongly promotes the efficient use of our water resources through conservation measures and use of alternative non-potable water resources whenever available, feasible, and there are no harmful effects to the ecosystem. Also, the CWRM encourages the protection of water recharge areas which are important for the maintenance of streams and the replenishment of aquifers.

- We recommend coordination with the county government to incorporate this project into the county's Water Use and Development Plan.
- We are concerned about the potential for ground or surface water degradation/contamination and recommend that approvals for this project be conditioned upon a review by the State Department of Health and the developer's acceptance of any resulting requirements related to water quality.
- A Well Construction Permit and a Pump Installation Permit from the CWRM would be required before ground water is developed as a source of supply for the project.
- The proposed water supply source for the project is located in a designated water management area, and a Water Use Permit from the CWRM would be required prior to use of this source.
- Groundwater withdrawals from this project may affect streamflows. This may require an instream flow standard amendment.
- We recommend that no development take place affecting highly erodible slopes which drain into streams within or adjacent to the project.

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- If the proposed project diverts additional water from streams or if new or modified stream diversions are planned, the project may need to obtain a stream diversion works permit and petition to amend the interim instream flow standard for the affected stream(s).
- Based on the information provided, it appears that a Stream Channel Alteration Permit pursuant to Section 13-169-50, HAR will be required before the project can be implemented.
- Based on the information provided, it does not appear that a Stream Channel Alteration Permit pursuant to Section 13-169-50, HAR will be required before the project can be implemented.
- An amendment to the instream flow standard from the CWRM would be required before any streamwater is diverted.
- OTHER:

If there are any questions, please contact Lenore Nakama at 587-0218.

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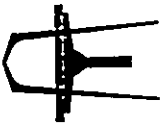
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Thank you for your letter dated October 7, 1997 commenting on the environmental assessment (EA) pre-consultation for the subject project. We offer the following responses in respective order of your comments:

1. Should any of the exploratory wells prove to be suitable for production, they will be incorporated into the county Water Use and Development Plan.
2. A Well Construction Permit and Pump Installation Permit will be obtained before any well is developed as a source of supply.
3. We acknowledge that the proposed exploratory well is within a Water Management Area and that a Water Use Permit from the Commission on Water Resource Management will be required prior to the use of this source.
4. The draft EA will indicate that this project is not anticipated to affect streamflows. An instream flow standard amendment will be obtained if streamflows are affected by groundwater withdrawals.

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the EA pre-assessment consultation process.

Sincerely,



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Proposed Exploratory Well Site
Wai'alua, Oahu, Hawaii

Thank you for your letter dated October 24, 1997 expressing your belief that based on a review of your records, and the known effects of prolonged sugar cane cultivation, "it is unlikely that significant historic sites will be found in the project area," and that "this project will have 'no effect' on such sites."

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the pre-assessment consultation phase of the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

Earl Matsukawa, AICP
Project Manager

cc: Mr. Barry Usagawa, Board of Water Supply

Aloha,

Don Hibbard, Administrator
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October 07, 1997

Mr. Earl Matsukawa
Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.
1907 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96826

Subject: Pre-consultation, Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for three exploratory (Waialua Well II, Haleiwa Well II, and Thomson Corner Well) wells in the Waialua-Haleiwa area, Island of Oahu.

Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

Thank you for the opportunity to include the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) in the pre-assessment consultation process for three wells (Waialua II, Haleiwa II, and Thomson Corner Well) in the Waialua-Haleiwa area, Island of Oahu. The Board of Water Supply proposes to drill, case, and test these exploratory wells as part of its overall effort of developing new underground sources of drinking water.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has no objections at this time to the proposed exploratory wells. But OHA intends to fully review the DEAs once they are available for public scrutiny.

Overall, OHA's major areas of concern for developments triggering an DEA include, but are not limited to, potential adverse impacts to ecosystems and associated wildlife habitats, archaeological resources, air and water quality, and public health and safety.

Letter to Mr. Matsukawa
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Please contact Lynn Lee, Acting Officer of the Land and Natural Resources Division, or Luis A. Manrique, should you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Randall Ogata
Administrator

Lynn Lee
Acting Officer,
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Mr. Randall Ogata, Administrator
Ms. Lynn Lee, Acting Officer
Office of Hawaiian Affairs
State of Hawaii
711 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 500
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5249

Dear Mr. Ogata and Ms. Lee:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment
Pre-Assessment Consultation
Thomson Corner Well
Proposed Exploratory Well Site
Waiialua, Oahu, Hawaii

Thank you for your letter dated October 7, 1997 expressing that you have no objections at this time to the proposed project. Your agency will be included in the list of parties to be consulted for the draft EA.

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the pre-assessment consultation phase of the environmental review process.

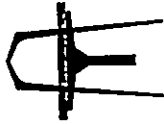
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cc: Mr. Barry Usagawa, Board of Water Supply

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Mr. Earl Matsukawa, AICP
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1907 South Beretania Street
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Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

Preliminary Review For Three Exploratory Well Sites
Tax Map Keys: 6-5-01; por. 02; 6-2-10; por. 01

Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposals for three exploratory well sites at the Thomson Corner Well, Waialua Well II, and Haleiwa Well II. The proposals are within the Special Management Area. We will review the Draft Environmental Assessment when it becomes available.

Should you have any questions, please contact Dana Teramoto of our Environmental Review Branch at 523-4648.

Very truly yours,

J. Naoe Sullivan
JAN NAOE SULLIVAN
Director of Land Utilization

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Ms. Jan Naoe Sullivan, Director
Department of Land Utilization
City and County of Honolulu
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
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Dear Ms. Sullivan:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment
Pre-Assessment Consultation
Thomson Corner Well
Proposed Exploratory Well Site
Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii

Thank you for your letter dated October 16, 1997 expressing your initial finding that the subject proposal is within the Special Management Area (SMA).

Based on our telephone conversation with Dana Teramoto of your staff we understand however, while a portion of the parcel in which the project site is located may be within the SMA, the project site itself is located outside the SMA.

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the pre-assessment consultation phase of the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

Earl Matsukawa

Earl Matsukawa, AICP
Project Manager

cc: Mr. Barry Usagawa, Board of Water Supply

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Mr. Earl Matsukawa, AICP
Project Manager
Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.
1907 South Beretania Street, Suite 400
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

Draft Environmental Assessment (EA)
for Proposed-Thomson Corner Well,
—Tax Map Key CMMK 6-5-01-02—

In response to your company's request of October 3, 1997 on behalf of the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS), an amendment to the North Shore Development Plan Public Facilities Map would be required when the proposed exploratory well is converted into production well.

Should you have any questions please contact Rob Reed of our staff at 523-4402.

Yours very truly,

Patrick T. Onishi
PATRICK T. ONISHI
Chief Planning Officer

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May 19, 1998

Mr. Patrick T. Onishi, Chief Planning Officer
Planning Department
City and County of Honolulu
650 South King Street, 8th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-3017

Dear Mr. Onishi:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment
Pre-Assessment Consultation
Thomson Corner Well
Proposed Exploratory Well Site
Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii

Thank you for your letter dated October 28, 1997 indicating that an amendment to the North Shore Development Plan Public Facilities Map would be required when the proposed exploratory well is converted into a production well. This requirement will be included in the draft EA.

Your letter, along with this response will be reproduced in the forthcoming draft environmental assessment. We appreciate your interest and participation in the pre-assessment consultation phase of the environmental review process.

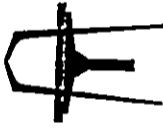
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cc: Mr. Barry Usagawa, Board of Water Supply

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**DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
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July 23, 1998

WILSON OKAMOTO & ASSOC, INC

Civil Works Branch

Mr. Brooks Yuen
Acting, Manager and Chief Engineer
City and County of Honolulu
Board of Water Supply
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843

Dear Mr. Yuen:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the Thomson Corner Well Exploratory Well Site Project, Waiialua, Oahu (TMK 6-5-1: por. 2). The following comments are provided in accordance with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers authorities to provide flood hazard information and to issue Department of the Army (DA) permits.

- a. Based on the information provided, a DA permit will not be required for the project.
- b. The flood hazard information provided on page 2-9 of the DEA is correct.

Sincerely,

Paul Mizue, P.E.
Chief, Civil Works Branch

Copy Furnished:

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August 6, 1998

Mr. Paul Mizue, P.E., Chief
Civil Works Branch
Department of the Army
U. S. Army Engineer District
Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440

Dear Mr. Mizue:

Subject: Your Letter of July 23, 1998 Regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Board of Water Supply's Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Project, Waiialua, Oahu, Hawaii TMK: 6-5-01: 02.

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We acknowledge that a Department of the Army permit will not be required for the proposed project and that the flood hazard information provided is correct.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,

Clifford S. Jamile
CLIFFORD S. JAMILE
Manager and Chief Engineer

cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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Board of Water Supply
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WILSON OKAMOTO & ASSOC., INC.

Dear Mr. Sato:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) - Thomson Corner Well -
Exploratory Well Site, Waialua, Oahu, HI

We have reviewed the above mentioned document and offer no comments at this time.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this document.

Sincerely,

KENNETH M. KANESHIRO
State Conservationist

cc: Mr. Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc., 1907 South Beretania
Street, Suite 400, Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

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August 6, 1998

Mr. Kenneth M. Kaneshiro, State Conservationist
Natural Resources Conservation Service
United States Department of Agriculture
P. O. Box 5004
Honolulu, Hawaii 96850

Dear Mr. Kaneshiro:

Subject: Your Letter of July 21, 1998 Regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for
the Board of Water Supply's Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Project,
Waialua, Oahu.

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson
Corner Exploratory Well project.

We acknowledge that you have no comments to offer at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,

CLIFFORD S. JAMILE
Manager and Chief Engineer

cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM
SUBJECT: Draft Environmental Assessment Comments
Board of Water Supply Haleiwa II and
Thomson Corner Well Exploratory Well Sites

CALLER: Mr. John Schmerfeld, Biologist
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

PERSON
CALLED: Mr. Earl Matsukawa, Project Manager
Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.

DATE: August 18, 1998

Information Items:

Mr. Schmerfeld expressed that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service had no additional comments to the environmental assessment (EA) beyond those previously submitted during the pre-assessment consultation process.

Mr. Matsukawa indicated that a telephone memo to that effect will be included in the Final EA.

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TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM
SUBJECT: Draft Environmental Assessment Comments
Board of Water Supply Haleiwa II and
Thomson Corner Well Exploratory Well Sites

CALLER: Ms. Kathryn Kami
Board of Water Supply

PERSON
CALLED: Ms. Ulalia Woodside
Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.

DATE: August 6, 1998

Information Items:

Ms. Kami stated that on July 29, 1998 the Board of Water Supply received a telephone call from Mr. Howard Fujimoto of the State Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism Office of Planning indicating that the Office of Planning had no comments to offer at this time on the subject Draft EA.

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July 28, 1998

Mr. Brooks H. M. Yuen
Acting Manager and Chief Engineer
Board of Water Supply
City and County of Honolulu
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843

Dear Mr. Yuen:

SUBJECT: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
THOMSON CORNER WELL EXPLORATORY WELL SITE
WAIALUA, OAHU, HAWAII

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the draft environmental assessment. We have the following comments to offer:

1. The Honolulu Board of Water Supply proposes to drill, case and test the Thomson Corner Well as an exploratory well and potential groundwater source. Section 11-20-29 of Chapter 20 requires that all new sources of potable water serving a public water system be approved by the Director of Health prior to use. Such an approval is based primarily upon the submission of a satisfactory engineering report which addresses the requirements set in Section 11-20-29.
2. The engineering report must identify all potential sources of contamination and evaluate alternative control measures which could be implemented to reduce or eliminate the potential for contamination, including treatment of the water source. In addition, water quality analyses performed by a laboratory certified in the State of Hawaii, must be submitted as part of the report to demonstrate compliance with all drinking water standards. Additional tests may be required by the Director upon his review of the information submitted.

Mr. Brooks H. M. Yuen
July 28, 1998
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If you should have any questions, please contact Ms. Queenie Konori of the Safe Drinking Water Branch, Engineering Section, at 586-4258.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM WONG, P.E., Chief
Safe Drinking Water Branch
Environmental Management Division

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c: Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.
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Mr. William Wong, P.E., Chief
Safe Drinking Water Branch
Environmental Management Division
Department of Health
State of Hawaii
P. O. Box 3378
Honolulu, Hawaii 96801

Dear Mr. Wong:

Subject: Your Letter of July 28, 1998 Regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Board of Water Supply's Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Project, Waiahua, Oahu

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We provide the following response to your concerns:

1. We acknowledge that an engineering report must be approved by the Director of Health prior to activation of the exploratory well for potable water use.
2. The engineering report will identify all potential sources of contamination and evaluate alternative control measures which could be implemented to reduce or eliminate the potential for contamination, including treatment of the water source.

If you have any questions, please contact Berry Uzigawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,

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CLIFFORD S. JAMILE
Manager and Chief Engineer

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August 17, 1998

Mr. Clifford Jamile, Manager and Chief Engineer
Board of Water Supply, City and County of Honolulu
630 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Jamile:

Having reviewed the draft environmental assessment (DEA) for the Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well, Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii, TMK 6-5-01-02, we submit the following comments for your response.

- 1. FAST CONTAMINATION POTENTIAL:** Please discuss points or regions of known contamination, points of potential contamination (landfills, individual wastewater disposal systems (cesspools, septic tanks, aeration units), hazardous waste sites, dry wells and injection wells). The site was formerly in sugar cultivation. Please assess the nature and extent of contamination for the nematocide 1,2-dibromochloropropane (DBCP) and other soil fumigants. Also, Please check with the Office of Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response of the State Department of Health on contamination (i.e., spill or release) incidents within the limits of the Waialua Aquifer.
- 2. PHYSICO-CHEMICAL DATA:** Please include pump test data on water level, extraction rates, and water quality from nearby wells.
- 3. CONVERSION FROM EXPLORATORY TO PRODUCTION:** Please list the precise criteria to determine if the well should be converted to a production well. Provisions for future use and monitoring of the well, if not placed into production, should be discussed.

If there are any questions, please call Mr. Leslie Segundo, Environmental Health Specialist at 586-4185.

Sincerely,

Gary Gill
GARY GILL
Director

cc: Mr. Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.
Mr. Barry Usigawa, Board of Water Supply

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January 8, 1999

Mr. Gary Gill, Director
Office of Environmental Quality Control
State of Hawaii
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Gill:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well, Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii. TMK: 6-5-1-002

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner, Exploratory Well project.

We have the following responses to your comments:

- 1.** The proposed Thomson Corner Well is located on land formerly used for sugar cultivation. It lies downgradient from wells known to have pesticide presence. Experiences with other wells in present or former agricultural areas have demonstrated pesticide presence. The Waialua Wells and Haleiwa Wells have been found to contain measurable levels of DBCP and TCP.
- 2.** We enclose a listing of contamination incidents within the Waialua Aquifer from the Office of Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response of the State Department of Health.
- 3.** Pump test results and water quality data for nearby wells are also enclosed for your use.
- 4.** The conversion of the exploratory well to a production well status is based on the following:
 - a.** The well will be test pumped to obtain hydro-geological data to determine if the quantity and quality of water is suitable for potable use. Production feasibility is then based on actual yield, construction cost and cost recovery options.

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Mr. Gary Gill
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- b. Permission to withdraw water is based on the Commission on Water Resource Management's evaluation of the Well Construction Permit, Pump Installation and Water Use Permit.
- c. Approval of a Development Plan Public Facilities Map amendment from the Planning Department, City and County of Honolulu.
- 5. If the well is not deemed feasible for production, it will be capped and sealed.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,


CLIFFORD S. AMIDE
Manager and Chief Engineer

Enclosure

cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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Mr. Raymond H. Sato
Manager and Chief Engineer
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630 South Beretania St.
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Dear Mr. Sato:

We have reviewed your Draft Environmental Assessment in which you are proposing a project to drill, case, and test an exploratory well in an area known as Thomson Corner at Waialua, Oahu.

We have no major objections to this request since the project is not expected to have long-term adverse impacts on aquatic resource values in this area. However, North Poamoho Stream, a tributary of the Kiihi Stream system, provides habitat for a number of native aquatic species and many exotic species as well. Streams in the north shore area of Oahu, like North Poamoho Stream are considered excellent candidates for stream restoration activities. We are concerned that construction activities could have potential short term impacts on aquatic resources such as temporary turbidity, biota displacement, and disturbance. Even though the project site is over 1/4 of a mile away from the nearest stream, we request that mitigative measures be taken to prevent contaminants such as drill cuttings, cutting extraction medium, sediment, pollutants, petroleum products, and debris from possibly entering the aquatic environment. In addition, site work should be scheduled for periods of minimal rainfall and lands denuded of vegetation be covered as quickly as possible to control erosion.

We strongly recommend that the Environment Assessment include methods describing how the stream flow will be monitored to determine whether the test pumping is affecting the flow or not.

Mr. Raymond Sato
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August 18, 1998

We also request to review the final Environmental Impact Statement. It is important for the Division that the stream flow be maintained and not result in any loss of stream habitat for native stream animals.

Yours truly,

David Selaf

WILLIAM S. DEVICK, Acting Administrator
Division of Aquatic Resources

cc: Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.
Commission on Water Resource Management

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December 9, 1998

Mr. William S. Devick, Acting Administrator
Division of Aquatic Resources
Department of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
1151 Punchbowl Street
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WILSON OKAMOTO & ASSOC., INC.

Dear Mr. Devick:

Subject: Your Letter of August 18, 1998 on the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Board of Water Supply's Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Project, Waialeale, Oahu

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We provide the following responses to your concerns:

1. We acknowledge that you have no objections to the proposed project since it is not expected to have any long-term adverse impacts on aquatic resource values in the area. We understand that North Poamoho Stream provides habitat to native and exotic aquatic species.
2. There is available sustainable yield, which is the safe yield that can be withdrawn without detrimental effects to the aquifer. Since pumpage will not exceed the sustainable yield or previous pumpage levels due to the demise of sugar cultivation, flow within North Poamoho Stream should not decrease below historical levels. In addition, North Poamoho Stream is perched upon alluvium and is significantly distant that no stream flow monitoring is planned.
3. Exploratory well drilling and test pumping discharges will be contained on-site within the surrounding agricultural fields. The proposed exploratory well is located over 1,000 feet away from the nearest stream.
4. Construction work is anticipated to occur during periods of minimal rainfall. Land denuded of vegetation will be covered as quickly as possible to control erosion.
5. A copy of the Final EA will be forwarded to your office.

If you have any questions, please contact Harry Usagava at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,


CLIFFORD S. JANILE
Manager and Chief Engineer

cc: Earl Matsukava, Wilson Okamoto and Associates

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July 24, 1998

Mr. Brooks Yuen
Acting Manager and Chief Engineer
Board of Water Supply
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630 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96843

Dear Mr. Yuen:

SUBJECT: Draft Environmental Assessment, Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Site,
Wahialua, Oahu, Hawaii

FILE NO.: 6126-01

Thank you for the opportunity to review the subject document. Our comments related to water resources are marked below.

In general, the CWRM strongly promotes the efficient use of our water resources through conservation measures and use of alternative non-potable water resources whenever available, feasible, and there are no harmful effects to the ecosystem. Also, the CWRM encourages the protection of water recharge areas which are important for the maintenance of streams and the replenishment of aquifers.

- [X] We recommend coordination with the county government to incorporate this project into the county's 20-year Water Use and Development Plan, which is subject to regular updates.
- [] We recommend coordination with the Land Division of the State Department of Land and Natural Resources to incorporate this project into the 20-year State Water Projects Plan, which is subject to regular updates.
- [] We are concerned about the potential for ground or surface water degradation/contamination and recommend that approvals for this project be conditioned upon a review by the State Department of Health and the developer's acceptance of any resulting requirements related to water quality.
- [X] A Well Construction Permit and/or a Pump Installation Permit from the CWRM would be required before ground water is developed as a source of supply for the project.

- [X] The proposed water supply source for the project is located in a designated water management area, and a Water Use Permit from the CWRM would be required prior to use of this source.
- [] Groundwater withdrawals from this project may affect streamflows. This may require an instream flow standard amendment.
- [] If the proposed project diverts additional water from streams or if new or modified stream diversions are planned, the project may need to obtain a stream diversion works permit and petition to amend the interim instream flow standard for the affected stream(s).
- [] If the proposed project performs any work within the bed and banks of a stream channel, the project may need to obtain a stream channel alteration permit and a petition to amend the interim instream flow standard for the affected stream(s).
- [] We recommend that no development take place affecting highly erodible slopes which drain into streams within or adjacent to the project.

[X] OTHER:

Permitted water use of this well may depend upon implementation of a coordinated island-wide strategy to maximize reasonable beneficial use through conservation and reuse and reflecting an island-wide accounting for resources and uses.

If there are any questions, please contact Lenore Nakama at 587-0218.

Sincerely,

Timothy E. Johns
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August 25, 1998

Mr. Timothy E. Johns, Deputy Director
Commission on Water Resource Management
Department of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
P. O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809

Dear Mr. Johns:

Subject: Your Letter of July 24, 1998 Regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Board of Water Supply's Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Project, Waialua, Oahu.

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We provide the following responses to your concerns:

1. The proposed exploratory well project will be coordinated with the County's Water Use and Development Plan if it is determined to be suitable for production.
2. A Well Construction and Pump Installation Permit will be submitted prior to drilling the well. If the well is converted into a production well, a Water Use Permit will be submitted.
3. We note that permitted water use of this well may depend upon implementation of a coordinated islandwide strategy to maximize reasonable beneficial use through conservation and reuse and reflecting an islandwide accounting for resources and uses. The County's integrated water resources plan, which has been funded by Board of Water Supply, will address these issues.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Utagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,


CLIFFORD S. DRAVILLE
Manager and Chief Engineer

cc: Mr. Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates.

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Mr. Clifford S. Jamile
Manager and Chief Engineer
Board of Water Supply
City and County of Honolulu
630 S. Beretania Street
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Dear Mr. Jamile:

Draft Environmental Assessment
Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Site, Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii

This follows our letter of July 24, 1998 (attached), commenting on the subject document. Please be advised that a well construction permit would be required for the development of an exploratory well. We apologize if our previous comments were unclear in this regard.

If there are any questions, please contact Lenore Nakama at 587-0218.

Sincerely,

Timothy E. Johns
TIMOTHY E. JOHNS
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December 23, 1998

Mr. Timothy E. Johns, Deputy Director
Commission on Water Resource Management
Department of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
P. O. Box 621
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809

Dear Mr. Johns:

Subject: Your Letter of November 23, 1998 Regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Board of Water Supply's Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Project, Waialua, Oahu

Thank you for your letter regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Well project.

We acknowledge that a Well Construction Permit would be required for the development of an exploratory well.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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July 21, 1998

Earl Matsukawa, Project Manager
Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.
1907 S. Beretania Street, Suite 400
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

SUBJECT: Chapter 6E-8 Historic Preservation Review - Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA), Thomson Corner Well Proposed Exploratory Well Site
Kamamamui, Waialua, O'ahu
TMK: 6-5-01:02

LOG NO: 21854 ✓
DOC NO: 9807EJ30

The DEA correctly incorporates in section 2.11 and in Appendix B our earlier comments that this project will have "no effect" on historic sites.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call Elaine Jourdane at 587-0014.

Aloha,

Don Hibbard, Administrator
State Historic Preservation Division

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c: Mr. Raymond H. Sato, Manager and Chief Engineer Board of Water Supply, City and County of Honolulu 630 S. Beretania St. Honolulu, HI 96843

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August 6, 1998

Mr. Don Hibbard, Administrator
State Historic Preservation Division
Department of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
33 South King Street, Sixth Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Hibbard:

Subject: Your Letter of July 21, 1998 Regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Board of Water Supply's Proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well Project, Waialua, Oahu, TMK: 6-5-01:02

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We acknowledge that the proposed project will have "no effect" on any historic sites in the area.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,

CLIFFORD S. JAMILE
Manager and Chief Engineer

cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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Mr. Earl Matsukawa
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EIS No. 199

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for Thompson Corner
Exploratory Well at Waialua, Island of Oahu

Dear Mr. Matsukawa:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for Thompson Corner Exploratory Well at Waialua, Island of Oahu. The Board of Water Supply (BWS) of the City & County of Honolulu is seeking to drill, case, and test a single exploratory well at the Thompson Corner Well site in the Kaheeka, Kemoo area of the district of Waialua.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has reviewed the DEA and based on information contained in the document, the well will not significantly impact nearby areas nor flora or fauna resources. Furthermore, the well has been used for years for sugarcane production and it is unlikely that it contains significant archaeological resources.

However, OHA is concerned with the well's location. Thompson Corner well will be located within the Waialua aquifer, a "water management area" with (i) a history of water withdrawals exceeding the aquifer's sustainable yield and concomitant low water quality, (ii) uncertain sustainable yield (i.e., the BWS indicates a sustainable yield of 40 MGD while the CWRM indicates a sustainable yield of 5 MGD), and (iii) current water use allocations totalling almost 40 MGD.

Letter to Mr. Earl Matsukawa
August 04, 1998
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Given the above constraints, OHA urges the applicant to critically review the location of the well. In OHA's view, perhaps the best choice is not to place the well within the Waialua aquifer. After all, exploratory wells are expensive to drill, case, and test.

Please contact Colin Kippen (594-1938), LNR Officer, or Luis Manrique (594-1758), should you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Raymond Ogata
Administrator

Colin Kippen
Officer,
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cc: Board of Trustees
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February 8, 1999

Mr. Randall Ogata, Administrator
Mr. Colin Kippen, Officer
Land and Natural Resources Division
Office of Hawaiian Affairs
State of Hawaii
711 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 500
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Messrs. Ogata and Kippen:

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Thomson Corner
Exploratory Well Project, Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii. TMK: 6-5-01; 002

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We have the following responses to your comments:

1. As discussed in Section 2.4.2 of the Draft EA, the Commission on Water Resource Management's (CWRM) sustainable yield rating for the aquifer was 5.0 million gallon per day (mgd) in 1988. That figure was subsequently revised to CWRM's current rating of 40 mgd. The Board of Water Supply does not have a separate rating of sustainable yield for the aquifer.
2. Past withdrawals exceeding sustainable yield occurred when sugar cane was in cultivation. Since the end of the sugar industry, withdrawals have declined dramatically. In 1997, actual basal use was 11,867 mgd. Thus, based on 1997 withdrawal rates, the available sustainable yield is 28,133 mgd, as shown on Table 1 of the Draft EA. The actual available sustainable yield is likely to be higher today since plantation use has declined even further from 9,764 mgd in 1997 to a current estimate of less than 2.0 mgd.
3. The 1997 allocation of 39,941 mgd includes the amount allocated for sugar production. Since sugar is no longer being cultivated and water withdrawals have declined as a result, the CWRM is planning to revoke some of these allocations.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Very truly yours,


CLIFFORD S. DEVINE
Manager and Chief Engineer

cc: Earl Matukawa, Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.

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July 24, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: BROOKS H.M. YUEN, ACTING MANAGER AND CHIEF ENGINEER
BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY

FROM: JAN NAOE SULLIVAN, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING

SUBJECT: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) FOR
THOMSON CORNER WELL EXPLORATORY WELL SITE
TAX_MAP_KEY: 6-5-01: POR_ 02

We have reviewed the above-referenced Draft EA and do not have any comments to offer at this time.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Should you have any questions, please contact Art Challacombe of our Coastal Lands Branch at 523-4077.

For JAN NAOE SULLIVAN
Director of Planning
and Permitting

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cc: Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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TO: JAN NAOE SULLIVAN, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING

FROM: CLIFFORD S. JAMILA, MANAGER AND CHIEF ENGINEER
BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY

SUBJECT: YOUR LETTER OF JULY 24, 1998 REGARDING THE DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED
THOMSON CORNER EXPLORATORY WELL, WAIALUA, OAHU,
TMK: 6-5-01: POR_ 2

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We acknowledge that you have no comments to offer at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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FROM: PATRICK T. ONISHI
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SUBJECT: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE
PROPOSED THOMSON CORNER WELL EXPLORATORY
WELL SITE, WAIALUA, OAHU, HAWAII

This is in response to Wilson Okamoto and Associates letter dated July 13, 1998. We have reviewed the Draft Environmental Assessment and have no additional comments to offer at this time.

Should you have any questions, please call Eugene Takahashi of our staff at 527-6022.

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c: Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.
Attn: Mr. Earl Matsukawa

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FROM: CLIFFORD S. JAMILE, MANAGER AND CHIEF ENGINEER
BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY

SUBJECT: YOUR MEMORANDUM OF AUGUST 11, 1998 REGARDING THE DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED THOMSON
CORNER EXPLORATORY WELL, WAIALUA, OAHU

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Exploratory Well project.

We acknowledge that you have no comments to offer at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY

FROM: CHERYL D. SOON, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: THOMSON CORNER WELL EXPLORATORY WELL SITE

In response to the July 13, 1998 letter from Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc., the draft environmental assessment (EA) for the subject project was reviewed. Based on the traffic discussion in the draft EA, the project's impact on City streets, i.e. Kaulanahua Road and Helemano Road, appears to be minimal. We, therefore, have no objections to this project.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Faith Miyamoto of the Transportation Planning Division at Local 6976.

cc: Mr. Earl Matsukawa
Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

CHERYL D. SOON

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TO: MS. CHERYL D. SOON, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

FROM:
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SUBJECT: YOUR LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 10, 1998, REGARDING THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED THOMSON CORNER EXPLORATORY WELL, WAIALUA, OAHU, TMK. 6-5-1: POR. 2

Thank you for reviewing the Draft Environmental Assessment for the proposed Thomson Corner Well project.

We acknowledge that you have no objections to this project.

If you have any questions, please contact Barry Usagawa at 527-5235.

cc: Earl Matsukawa, Wilson Okamoto and Associates, Inc.

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