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TO: KEITH E. KAWAOKA, ACTING DIRECTOR
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FROM: JADE T. BUTAY 
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SUBJECT: USE OF PRIOR EXEMPTIONS, FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT
IMPACT OR ACCEPTED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENTS TO SATISFY CHAPTER 343
HAWAII REVISED STATUTES (HRS), FOR THE PROPOSED
INTERSTATE ROUTE H-1, ADDITION AND MODIFICATION OF
FREEWAY ACCESS KAPOLEI INTERCHANGE COMPLEX, PHASE 3
FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. NH-H1-1(271)
TAX MAP KEY(S): (1) 9-1-015: 017, 026 & 030
INTERSTATE ROUTE H-1, KAPOLEI, OAHU, HAWAII

This memo serves as an exemption notice and a request for publication in the next issue of The Environmental Notice, pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), Section 11-200.1-4, that the Department of Transportation (HDOT), Highways Division, has determined that additional environmental review is not required for the Addition and Modification of Freeway Access Kapolei Interchange Complex, pursuant to HAR, Section 11-200.1-11. The Interstate H-1 Addition and Modification of Highway Access Palailai Interchange/Makakilo Interchange (Kapolei Interchange Complex) HRS 343 Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was published in The Environmental Notice on December 23, 2006.

The Kapolei Interchange Complex Project is consistent with the 2006 FEA action which proposed "construction of a new freeway interchange at Kapolei and modifications to two existing interchanges at Makakilo and Palailai." Accordingly, appropriate mitigation measures identified in the 2006 FEA and HDOT best management practices will be implemented to address the minimal project impacts. Therefore, HDOT Highways Division has determined that the FEA and FONSI in 2006 and past and compatible land use of the proposed property satisfies the requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, for the proposed project.

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Should you have any questions, please contact Li Nah Okita, Project Manager, of our Design Section, Design Branch, Highways Division at (808) 692-7581 or by email at li.nah.okita@hawaii.gov and reference letter number HWY-DD 2.5292 as noted above.

Enclosure: Location map