Project Name: North Kona Mid-Level Exploratory Well Project
Applicable Law: 36 CFR Part 800, Section 106, National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (Section 106)
Type of Document: National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 Consultation
Island: Hawaii
District: North Kona
TMK: TMK No. (3) 7-5-003:001
Permits Required: N/A
Applicant or Proposing Agency:
State of Hawaii, Department of Health, Environmental Management Division
Safe Drinking Water Branch
2385 Waimano Home Road, Suite 110, Uluakupu Building 4
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782-1400

Approving Agency or Accepting Authority:
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Consultant: N/A
Status: Comments due no later than Monday, June 7, 2021 to:
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Attn: Ms. Joan Corrigan

Project Summary:
(Summarize proposed action and purpose/need in less than 200 words in the space below):

The Department of Health (DOH) initiates Section 106, NHPA consultation with the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) delegated DOH to act on EPA’s behalf, pursuant to 36 CFR §800.2(c)(4) when initiating a Section 106, NHPA process for projects funded under the Hawaii Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). Under the DWSRF, the DOH may provide funding to the County of Hawaii, Department of Water Supply (DWS) for the North Kona Mid-Level Exploratory Well Project. The Final Environmental Assessment for the project is available here: oeqc2.doh.hawaii.gov/Doc_Library/2020-11-23-HA-FEA-North-Kona-Mid-Level-Exploratory-Well.pdf

The use of federal funds is considered an undertaking, as defined by Section 106 of the NHPA, 54 U.S.C. §306101 et seq., and 36 CFR Part 800. The County of Hawai‘i, Department of Water Supply is proposing a new exploratory well at the designated location. The project consists of three phases: (i) site preparation; (ii) drilling and casing an exploratory well; and (iii) pump testing. If test results are positive, the site may be developed into a production facility. The DOH anticipates requesting SHPD’s concurrence with its project determination of no historic properties affected.