#### **EXEMPTION NOTICE FORM**

#### County of Kaua'i, Department of Water 4398 Pua Loke Street Līhu'e HI 96766

TO:	<ol> <li>Agency-Maintained Public Files for Chapter 343 HRS Exemption Determinations</li> <li>Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, if publication is desired</li> </ol>	
FROM:	Joseph E. Tait, Manager and Chief Engineer	
SUBJECT:	Exemption Notice for Former Administrative Building Demolition	
DATE:	12/19/2022	

#### AGENCY OR APPLICANT ACTION

Check applicable box

- ☑ This exempted action is an <u>agency</u> action as defined by Section 343-5(b), Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), and Section 11-200.1-8, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR),
- □ This exempted action is an <u>applicant</u> action as defined by Section 343-5(e), HRS, and Section 11-200.1-9, HAR

#### EXEMPTION TYPE:

The Exemption Notice for the action described below is based on the general types enumerated in Section 11-200.1-15(c), Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR), Exemption Type  $\underline{6}$ .

As applicable, the exemption for the action described below is also supported by the Exemption List for the County of Kaua'i, Department of Water, reviewed and concurred to by the Environmental Council on 9/6/2022.

- Exemption List Class <u>6</u>.
- Item Number <u>2</u>.
- Applicable language from the exemption list: <u>Demolition of structures, except those</u> <u>structures that are listed on the national register or Hawai'i Register of Historic</u> <u>Places.</u>

#### DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

Proposing Agency or Applicant: <u>County of Kaua'i, Department of Water</u> Project Name & Address/Location: <u>Former Administrative Building Demolition, 4398 Pua</u> <u>Loke Street, Līhu'e, HI 96766</u> Anticipated Start Date: 5/1/2023 Anticipated End Date: 6/30/2023 Island and District: Kaua`i Lihu`e Tax Map Key(s) and other geolocation means: <u>(4) 3-8-005:013</u>

## All Necessary Permits and Approvals: <u>Building permit with the County of Kaua'i</u>, <u>Department of Public Works</u>, <u>Building Division</u>

#### NARRATIVE

Describe the action and why it qualifies for the exemption: <u>The County of Kaua'i, Department of</u> <u>Water has constructed a new administrative building to replace the former administrative</u> <u>building. The former administrative building will be demolished to allow for more space within</u> <u>the Department of Water's baseyard such as for storing equipment and parking vehicles.</u>

#### RECEIVING ENVIRONMENT

Describe the site, including any impacts on the receiving environment: <u>The site is located off of</u> <u>Pua Loke Street near the end of the road. In the vicinity, there is affordable housing, the State of</u> <u>Hawai'i, Department of Land and Natural Resources baseyard, a public cemetery, the County of</u> <u>Kaua'i, Department of Public Works, Automotive Division auto shop, a retail farming equipment</u> <u>commercial space, and Kaua'i Economic Opportunity. The demolition of the former</u> <u>administrative building should have minimal impact to the environment because the building will</u> <u>be demolished and an open area that will allow for storing equipment and parking vehicles will</u> <u>remain in its place. The contractor will be required to follow federal, state and local laws.</u>

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

I have considered the potential effects of the proposed project and all related activities against the criteria checked below:

		Not Applicable
$\boxtimes$	Land Use and Zoning Conformance	
$\boxtimes$	Traffic (Vehicles, Bicycles, Pedestrian)	
$\boxtimes$	Infrastructure (Roads, Buildings, Utilities)	
$\boxtimes$	Air Quality Pollutant Emissions	
$\boxtimes$	Noise Emissions	
$\boxtimes$	Solid, Hazardous, and Liquid Waste Management	
$\boxtimes$	Social	
$\boxtimes$	Economic	
$\boxtimes$	Health and Safety	
$\boxtimes$	Recreation	
	Public Beach Access	$\boxtimes$
$\boxtimes$	Cultural Resources and Practices	
$\boxtimes$	Visual/Aesthetic	
$\boxtimes$	Environmental Justice	
$\boxtimes$	Rare, Threatened, and/or Endangered Species	
$\boxtimes$	Surface and Ground Water Resources	
	Wetlands	$\boxtimes$
	Floodplains	$\boxtimes$
	Riparian/Coastal Resources	$\boxtimes$

#### □ Other

Comments/summary of impact analysis: <u>The work does not have an impact on traffic and</u> infrastructure since all of the equipment and vehicles are already being parked at the baseyard or the adjacent current administrative building.

#### MITIGATION

Describe all mitigation measures and best management practices planned to address impacts during the project activities and after project completion: <u>The construction work will follow</u> noise, dust and debris requirements. The contractor will be required to provide a demolition management plan and debris and rubbish will be disposed of in accordance with federal, state, and local laws.

#### CONSULTATION

The following parties have been consulted about this declaration exemption (Name, affiliation, consultation date): State of Hawai'i, Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) was contacted in March 2021 and was informed of the project. SHPD informed the Department of Water to proceed with applying for a demolition permit with the County of Kaua'i, Department of Public Works, Building Division. SHPD identified that they would only get involved if the Building Division included SHPD when reviewing the demolition permit. Also contacted the Kaua'i Historic Preservation Office and it was confirmed that the building is not designated as a historic site.

#### EXEMPT DECLARATION

The direct, cumulative, and potential impacts of the action described above have been considered pursuant to Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes and Chapter 11-200.1, Hawai'i Administrative Rules. I declare that the action described above will have minimal or no significant impact on the environment and is therefore exempt from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment.

Signature of Director or Delegate

12/19/22

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