

## EXEMPTION NOTICE FORM

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TO: 1. Agency-Maintained Public Files for Chapter 343 HRS Exemption Determinations  
2. Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, if publication is desired  
3. University of Hawai`i

FROM: Director of Office of Project Delivery, University of Hawai`i

SUBJECT: Exemption Notice for Bilger Addition Refresh/Renovate Teaching Labs 102, 102A, 105 & 115 (UHM 1126A-20-743)

DATE: 9/12/2023

### AGENCY OR APPLICANT ACTION

Check applicable box

- This exempted action is an agency 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 applicant 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 **Interior renovation of existing teaching labs and lab prep room including modifications to interior partitions; plumbing, electrical, communications and ventilating systems; floors and ceilings; and interior painting.**

As applicable, the exemption for the action described below is also supported by the Exemption List for the [name of agency], reviewed and concurred to by the Environmental Council on [date of concurrence].

- Exemption List Class 7.
- Item Number 1,2,4,5.
- Applicable language from the exemption list: Interior alterations involving such things as partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances. Construction, repair, or removal of interior partitions. Modifications to interior plumbing, electrical, communication, and ventilating systems. Modifications to floors, ceilings, and roofs. Painting.

## DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

Proposing Agency or Applicant: University of Hawai'i

Project Name & Address/Location: Bilger Addition Refresh/Renovate Teaching Labs 102, 102A, 105 & 115, 2545 McCarthy Mall; Honolulu, Hawai'i 96822

Anticipated Start Date: 12/18/2023

Anticipated End Date: 8/26/2024

Island and District: O'ahu Honolulu

Tax Map Key(s) and other geolocation means: (1) 2-8-023:003

All Necessary Permits and Approvals: Interior renovation of existing labs and lab prep room is needed to address worn and damaged lab casework; remove asbestos containing countertops and flooring; improve existing lab ventilation system; provide energy efficient light fixtures; install new audio-visual teaching aids; and remove architectural barriers for ADA accessibility. All work will be limited to the interior of the building and alterations involve partitions, ventilation, plumbing and electrical conveyances.

## NARRATIVE

Describe the action and why it qualifies for the exemption: This action involves interior renovation of existing labs and lab prep room which is needed to address worn and damaged lab casework; remove asbestos containing countertops and flooring; improve existing lab ventilation system; provide energy efficient light fixtures; install new audio-visual teaching aids; and remove architectural barriers for ADA accessibility. All work will be limited to the interior of the building and alterations involve partitions, ventilation, plumbing and electrical conveyances.

## RECEIVING ENVIRONMENT

Describe the site, including any impacts on the receiving environment: Existing teaching labs 102, 105 and 115 and lab prep room 102A will be taken offline during the renovation and noise producing work will be scheduled for off hours to avoid disrupting adjacent labs. Asbestos containing materials from the teaching labs will be removed and disposed of per State and Federal requirements. Therefore, no adverse impacts to the receiving environment are anticipated.

## ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

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

	Not Applicable
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Use and Zoning Conformance	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic (Vehicles, Bicycles, Pedestrian)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure (Roads, Buildings, Utilities)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality Pollutant Emissions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noise Emissions	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid, Hazardous, and Liquid Waste Management	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Social	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Economic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Health and Safety                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Beach Access                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources and Practices            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visual/Aesthetic                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Justice                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rare, Threatened, and/or Endangered Species | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface and Ground Water Resources          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands                                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Floodplains                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Riparian/Coastal Resources                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Comments/summary of impact analysis: There is no cumulative environmental impact from this project; therefore, an Environmental Assessment (EA) is not required for this project.

#### MITIGATION

Describe all mitigation measures and best management practices planned to address impacts during the project activities and after project completion: Contractor will implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) and Environmental Controls for interior renovations mandated by the University of Hawai`i at Mānoa.

#### CONSULTATION

The following parties have been consulted about this declaration exemption (Name, affiliation, consultation date): Ushijima Architects, Inc., architect of record for this project.

#### 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.

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