#### **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 Līhu'e Administrative Building Fencing
DATE:	11/20/2024

#### 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 <u>3</u>.

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>3</u>.
- Item Number <u>**B**</u>, Part 1.7.
- Applicable language from the exemption list: <u>Installation/modification of site</u> <u>security upgrades including fencing, access controls, intrusion alarm systems, security camera and telemetry.</u>

#### DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

Proposing Agency or Applicant: <u>County of Kaua'i, Department of Water</u> Project Name & Address/Location: <u>Līhu'e Administrative Building Fencing, 4398 Pua Loke</u> <u>Street, Līhu'e, Kaua'i, Hawai'i</u> Anticipated Start Date: 1/2/2025 Anticipated End Date: 6/30/2025 Island and District: Kaua'i Lihu'e Tax Map Key(s) and other geolocation means: <u>(4) 3-8-005:027</u>

## All Necessary Permits and Approvals: <u>Electrical 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 is installing a security fence for the Administrative Building. The project includes</u> <u>pedestrian access gates, swing gates and a motorized vehicle access gate system.</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 at 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 Līhu'e Administrative Building</u> <u>Fencing should have minimal impact to the environment because the work is of short duration</u> <u>with minimal groundwork disturbance. The work will consist of shallow-depth trenching for the</u> <u>fence posts, bollards, keypads, and concrete pad for the gate motor.</u>

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

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

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

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Comments/summary of impact analysis: <u>The work does not have an impact on traffic since all of</u> the work will be in private property. The work is minimal and will not require many crews to perform the work. The work will be prioritized to be performed during the day to minimize the impact of noise to the neighboring parcels.

#### 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> federal, state, and local laws in regards to the project work, noise emissions and best management practices.

#### CONSULTATION

The following parties have been consulted about this declaration exemption (Name, affiliation, consultation date): <u>County of Kaua'i, Department of Water, Deputy Manager-Engineer Michael</u> <u>Hinazumi, County of Kaua'i, Department of Water, Civil Engineer VII Jason Kagimoto, County</u> <u>of Kaua'i, Department of Water, Project Management Officer Scott Suga, County of Kaua'i,</u> <u>Department of Water Chief of Operations Ryan Smith.</u>

#### 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

11/25/2024 Date

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# 20241125 Exemption Form-Lihue Administrative Building Fencing

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