Board of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

February 13, 2015

Issuance of a Right-of-Entry Permit to Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Hawaii and the Lanikai Canoe Club for the Duke Kahanamoku Long Distance Canoe Race Event to be held on August 16, 2015, at Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, Tax Map Key: (1) 2-3-037: portions of 021.

APPLICANT:

Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Hawaii, a domestic nonprofit corporation

Lanikai Canoe Club, a domestic nonprofit corporation

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Sections 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands of Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, identified as tax map key: (1) 2-3-037: portion of 021, as shown on the attached Exhibit 1.

AREA:

1. Tented Area: 1,200 square feet
2. Canoe Exit/“De-rigging” Area: 2,400 square feet
Total Area: 3,600 square feet

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Conservation

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(a) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act
DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: No
CURRENT USE STATUS:

Requested area is unencumbered

CHARACTER OF USE:

Duke Kahanamoku Long Distance Canoe Race Event

TERM:

From 6 A.M. to 6 P.M. on Sunday, August 16, 2015

RENTAL:

$360.00 (One time payment based on 10¢ per square foot per day.)

COLLATERAL SECURITY DEPOSIT:

None

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Section 11-200-8(a)(1) and (4) and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources approved by the Environmental Council and dated December 4, 1991, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1, that states "Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing" and Class No. 4, that states "Minor alteration in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation." as included in Exhibit 2.

DCCA VERIFICATION:

Place of business registration confirmed: YES x NO __
Registered business name confirmed: YES x NO __
Applicant in good standing confirmed: YES x NO __

REMARKS:

The Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Hawaii (OHCRAH) and the Lanikai Canoe Club (LCC) are requesting to conduct beach activities on State owned lands to finalize a canoe race event.

The Duke Kahanamoku Long Distance Canoe Race Event consists of approximately twenty-eight (28) nautical miles. This event will begin at Kailua Beach and will finish offshore from the Duke Kahanamoku Beach, located in Waikiki. The race is scheduled for Sunday,
August 16, 2015, starting at approximately 9 A.M., and the teams are expected to finish within three to four hours later. Once the canoe race is concluded, specific areas of the beach will then be utilized by the Applicant for closing purposes of the race day’s event.

A set-up upon the Duke Kahanamoku Beach is scheduled to begin at 6 A.M. and a teardown is scheduled for 6 P.M. later that day. The Applicant requests that the Board approve of a right-of-entry permit for its use over two (2) specific areas of the subject beach. The right-of-entry permit request includes Beach Areas: 1 and 2, only. See the Applicant’s map, attached as Exhibit 3.

Beach Area 1 will be a tented area located nearby to the Ala Wai Boat Harbor. This area will be utilized for: awards-giving, hospitality purposes and to house materials for the event.

Beach Area 2 is the canoe exit area fronting the parking lot of the Ala Wai Boat Harbor. This area is also located adjacent to the shoreline where the canoes will land onto the beach. The canoes will then be “de-rigged” within this area in preparation for their removal and exit onto trailers located in the nearby parking lot.

According to the Applicant, a request has been made for access to the Hilton Hawaiian Village Pier (currently encumbered under Revocable Permit No. 7566), located adjacent to where the finish line of the canoe race event will be designated. Revocable Permit No. 7566 requires a $1.50 toll fee per paying customer. However, it is staff’s understanding that the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel (HHVH) will not be charging a fee to any of the canoe race officials nor to its participants for the use of the subject pier. Therefore, staff is of the opinion that HHVH will not be required to pay the State for the said toll fee.

No requests were routed to government and/or community agencies for comments since there are currently no outstanding issues associated with this request.

Staff has no objections to the subject request.

Applicant has not had a lease, permit, easement or other disposition of State lands terminated within the past five years due to non-compliance with such terms and conditions.

Staff now brings the subject request to the Board for its approval.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board

1. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200, HAR, this activity will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

2. Authorize the issuance of a right-of-entry permit to Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Hawaii and the Lanikai Canoe Club covering the subject area for the Duke Kahanamoku Long Distance Canoe Race Event under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the
following:

a. The standard terms and conditions of the most current right-of-entry form, as may be amended from time to time; and

b. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

Timmy Chee
Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

Carly S. Chang, Acting Chairperson
TAX MAP KEY: (1) 2-3-037: PORTIONS OF 21

EXHIBIT 1
EXEMPTION NOTIFICATION
regarding the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Chapter 343, HRS and Chapter 11-200, HAR

Project Title: Canoe Race Event

Project / Reference No.: PSF 15OD-011

Project Location: Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, Tax Map Key: (1) 2-3-037: portions of: 021.

Project Description: Issuance of a Right-of-Entry Permit to Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Hawaii and Lanikai Canoe Club for the Duke Kahanamoku Canoe Race Event

Chap. 343 Trigger(s): Use of State Land

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This Board has permitted similar events in the past. The proposed activity is of a similar type and scope of beach activities that periodically occurred and continues to occur on this and other beach areas across the State. Such activities have resulted in no known significant impacts, whether immediate or cumulative, to the natural, environmental and/or cultural resources in the area. As such, staff believes that the proposed activity would involve negligible or no expansion or change in use of the subject area beyond that previously existing.

Consulted Parties: Not applicable

EXHIBIT 2
Recommendation: That the Board finds this activity will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is presumed to be exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

Carty S. Chang, Acting Chairperson

Date
PARKING LOT
Heli-Pad Area

Hilton Lagoon

Duke Kahanamoku Race
August 16, 2015
Sponsor: OHCRA

1 - 60' x 20': Awards Staging / Hospitality
2 - 80' x 30': Canoe Exit / De-rigging Area
3 - Hilton Pier

Uncle Nappy's Canoe Site
Sea Wall

EXHIBIT 3