APPENDIX I-1
SHPD Approval of Inventory Survey
June 18, 2012

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Dear Dr. Spear:

Subject: Chapter 6E-42 Historic Preservation Review
Archaeological Inventory Survey of 86.029 Acres within the Puunene Naval Air Station
Pulehu Nui Alupua'a, Walluku District, Island of Maui
TMK: (2) 3-8-008:005 (por.), 006 (por.) and 019

Thank you for submitting the subject report titled Draft Archaeological Inventory Survey of an Approximate 91.7 meter (3,007.8 feet) Long Alternate Access Road and an 86.029-Acre Property in Puunene, Pulehu Nui Alupua'a, Walluku District, Island of Maui [TMK: (2) 3-8-008: Por. 003, Por. 006, and 019], G. Tome and M. Dega September 2011. We received a draft dated October 7, 2011, and we apologize for the delay in completing this review.

This report documents the re-investigation of a project area that was included in a prior survey of a larger acreage (Tomonari-Tuggle, et al. 2001). The 2001 report documented two archaeological sites within the current project area: Housing Area A of the former Naval Air Station Puunene (SIHP Site 50-50-09-4164) and a post-war cattle ranching area (SIHP Site 4801). During the current study, twelve additional features were documented for Site 4164, and three new features were documented for Site 4801.

In addition to a full pedestrian survey, twenty (20) mechanical trenches were excavated during the survey. One trench uncovered structural remains (ST-6) related to Facility 177 (a feature of Site 4164). ST-6 consisted of a worn concrete slab interpreted as a building foundation; it was sufficiently recorded in this report.

Sites 4164 and 4018 were previously recommended as significant under HRHP Criterion "d" while Site 4164 was also recommended as significant under Criterion "a." This report does not recommend any changes to those findings and further recommends the newly documented features for no further work; we concur with those recommendations. However, given the lack of subsurface excavations in the area of the possible future site of an alternative access road, we agree that archaeological monitoring is recommended for work related to an alternate road. Should that alternate roadway be planned we recommend that an archaeological monitoring plan be submitted to SHPD for review and approval prior to the issuance of any permits related to ground-altering activity.

The report contains appropriate background information and documentation of the identified historic properties is adequate. The report is approved in accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule §13-276. Please send one hardcopy of the document to both the Maui and Oahu offices marked FINAL, along with a copy of this review letter. Please send a text-searchable PDF file on CD to Kapolei with the hard copy. Please contact me at (808) 933-7653 or Theresa.K.Donham@hawaii.gov if you have any questions about this letter.

Aloha,

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