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September 29, 2009

Mr. Robert A. DeCoito 2794 Kaūmana Drive Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Dear Sir/Madam:

SUBJECT:	Additional Farm Dwelling Agreement (FDA-09-000254)	
	Applicant:	Robert A. DeCoito
	Land Owner:	Robert A. and Tanya P. DeCoito
	State Land Use:	Agricultural
	<b>County Zoning:</b>	A-20a
	Land Area:	25.214 Acres
	<u>Tax Map Key:</u>	(3) 2-5-003:096

Pursuant to authority conferred to the Planning Director by Chapter 25, Article 5, Division 7, Section 25-5-77 of the Zoning Code and Planning Department Rule 13, Farm Dwellings, we have reviewed your request for an additional farm dwelling on the subject property. Your submittals included the following information:

- 1. Names, address and the signatures of the applicants/landowners.
- 2. A farm plan or evidence of the applicants' continual agricultural productivity or farming operation within the County, including an explanation of why this AFD is needed in connection with the agricultural productivity or farming operation. Your farm plan included the following ongoing income producing agricultural activities:
  - a. Ongoing agricultural activity includes the following:
    - i. Cattle ranching;
    - ii. Approximately 20 hours per week are required for running the ranch

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3. Applicant's commitment to the farm plan will be shown in the form of the enclosed Additional Farm Dwelling Agreement affidavit, to be notarized and submitted for recordation with the Bureau of Conveyances, which states that the additional dwelling shall be used for farm-related purposes.

## Findings:

- In Chapter 205, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), the State Land Use Law does not authorize residential dwellings as a permitted use in the State Land Use Agricultural district unless the dwelling is related to an agricultural activity or is a farm dwelling. A farm dwelling as defined in Section 205-4.5, Chapter 205, HRS, means a single family dwelling located on and used in connection with a farm including clusters of single family farm dwellings permitted within agricultural parks developed by the State, or where agricultural activity provides income to the family occupying the dwelling. (emphasis added)
- 2. The subject lot was created by subdivision (SUB 7201) approved on January 2, 2000, which, pursuant to HRS §205-4.5(b), requires the first dwelling on the lot to be a farm dwelling.
- 3. The Farm Plan and the agreement to use the dwelling for agricultural or farmrelated activity on the building site demonstrate that there is income producing agricultural activity.
- 4. In addition, the following agencies have submitted their comments as stated below:
  - a. Department of Water Supply (DWS)(memorandum dated September 23, 2009):

"We have reviewed the subject application and have the following comments and conditions.

Please be informed that the subject parcel is currently served by a 5/8-inch meter, which is adequate for only one dwelling at an average daily usage of 400 gallons. Inasmuch as this application is proposing an additional dwelling, the installation of a separate 5/8-inch meter will be required. Water can be made available from the Department's existing 16-inch waterline fronting the subject parcel.

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Therefore, the Department has no objections to the proposed application, subject to the applicant understanding and accepting the following conditions:

- 1. Installation, by the Department of Water Supply, of a second 1-inch service lateral to service a 5/8-inch meter, which shall be restricted to a maximum daily flow of 600 gallons.
- 2. Remittance of the following charges, which are subject to change, to our Customer Service Section:

FACILITIES CHARGE (FC):2<sup>nd</sup> service to the parcel\$5,500.00

SERVICE LATERAL INSTALLATION CHARGE:		
Install one meter on a County road	\$2,600.00	
Total (Subject to Change)	\$8,100.00	

3. Installation of a backflow prevention assembly (reduced pressure type) by a licensed contractor on the applicant's property within five (5) feet of the meter. If the existing meter does not have an approved backflow prevention assembly, the installation of one will also be required as there is existing or proposed agricultural activity on the property. The installation of the backflow prevention assembly must be inspected and approved by the Department before water service can be granted. A copy of our backflow prevention handout is being forward to the applicant to help them understand this requirement.

Should there be any questions, you may contact Mr. Ryan Quitoriano of Our Water Resources and Planning Branch at 961-8070, extension 256.

b. Department of Health (DOH): (memorandum dated August 24, 2009)

Lands formerly used for sugarcane production are now being developed into communities where residential homes, schools and commercial businesses are being constructed. Chemicals associated with the sugarcane industry persist in soil today and may be a threat to public health and the environment. Elevated arsenic levels were discovered in soil at former sugarcane production areas on the islands. The HEER Office has identified former sugarcane production areas for assessment throughout the state and plans to work with Mr. Robert A DeCoito Page 4 September 29, 2009

> property owners to conduct environmental assessments to identify and address elevated soil arsenic level prior to finalizing development plans for the properties.

> We recommend that you review all of the Standard Comments on our website: <u>www.state.hi.us/health/environmental/env-planning/landuse/landuse.htm</u>. Any comments specifically applicable to this project should be adhered to.

> The use of individual wastewater systems is allowed. The type and number of individual wastewater systems will be determined by the wastewater rules in effect at the time of building permit application."

## Decision:

In view of the above, your request to construct an **Additional Farm Dwelling** on the property is approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The AFD shall only be used to provide shelter for persons involved in the agricultural or farm-related activity on the building site. Family members who are not engaged in agricultural or farm-related activities are allowed to reside in the farm dwelling.
- 2. The agreement shall run with the land and apply to all persons who may, now or in the future, use or occupy the additional farm dwelling. The enclosed AFD Agreement must be returned to the Planning Department with the appropriate notarized signatures along with a check made out to the Bureau of Conveyances in the amount of \$30.00 in accordance with the enclosed AFDA Instructions. The Planning Department will not approve a building permit application for the additional dwelling until the AFDA document and all required attachments have been accepted for recordation.
- 3. All other applicable rules, regulations, and requirements of the Planning Department (including but not limited to the Zoning Code, Chapter 25), Department of Public Works, Department of Water Supply, Fire Department and State Department of Health and any other reviewing agencies/divisions listed on the Building Permit (BP) Application shall be adhered to.
- 4. The applicant is responsible for any State and Federal tax consequences due to the

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income produced from the farm activity.

- 5. Your AFDA has been approved based on ongoing agricultural activity as summarized previously in this letter.
- 6. The First Party shall allow the Second Party or its representative to inspect the farm upon reasonable prior notice.
- 7. This AFDA shall be valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of this approval letter to secure a Building Permit for the additional farm dwelling. Failure to secure a BP for this additional farm dwelling on or before October 5, 2011 may cause the Director to initiate proceedings to invalidate the AFDA.

Please feel free to contact Larry Nakayama of this office at 961-8288 should you have any further questions and/or concerns.

Sincerely,

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BJ LEITHEAD TODD Planning Director

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AFTER RECORDATION, RETURN BY MAIL TO:

County of Hawaii Planning Department 101 Pauahi Street, Suite 3 Hilo, Hawaii 96720

TITLE OF DOCUMENT:

# ADDITIONAL FARM DWELLING AGREEMENT

PARTIES TO DOCUMENT:

FIRST PARTY: ROBERT A. AND TANYA P. DECOITO

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SECOND PARTY: COUNTY OF HAWAII

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

TMK: (3) 2-5-003:096

#### ADDITIONAL FARM DWELLING AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made and executed this <u>(</u> day of <u>hovember</u>, 2009, by and between **ROBERT A. AND TANYA P. DECOITO**, herein called the "First Party," whose mailing address is 2794 Kaūmana Drive, Hilo, Hawaii 96720, and the COUNTY OF HAWAII, herein called the "Second Party."

IT IS HEREBY AGREED that the First Party may construct a farm dwelling located on the property described by Tax Map Key (3) 2-5-003:096 situated within the State Land Use Agricultural district and zoned Agricultural (A-20a) by the Second Party.

IT IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED that the First Party is the legal owner of the property above described.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER AGREED that this approval to construct one additional farm dwelling is given subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The additional farm dwelling shall be used to provide shelter to person(s) involved in the agricultural or farm-related activity on the property. Family members who are not engaged in agricultural or farm-related activity are allowed to reside in the farm dwelling.
- 2. The agreement shall run with the land and apply to all persons who may now or in the future use or occupy the additional farm dwelling.
- This agreement shall include any and all conditions specified in the Additional Farm Dwelling Agreement letter, attached to this document as Exhibit "A".

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER AGREED that if this agreement is with a lessee, the legal owner shall be a party to this agreement.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER AGREED that should the pertinent provisions of the State and County laws and rules and regulations change to authorize said farm dwelling, upon request of the First Party, this Agreement may be reconsidered for possible amendment and/or severance.

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IT IS HEREBY FURTHER AGREED that if the property is situated within the State Land Use Agricultural district, the Second Party may impose a fine of not more than \$5,000 for violation of Section 205-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. If the violation is not corrected within six months of such citation and the violation continues, a citation for a new and separate violation may be imposed. There shall be a fine of not more than \$5,000 for any additional violation. The Second Party may also impose fines for any violation of Chapter 25, Hawaii County Code, as amended, in accordance with the procedures and fine schedule outlined in Division 3, Article 2, of said code.

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE AFORESAID, the Second Party hereby approves this Agreement as being in conformity with Sections 205-2 and 205-4.5 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, relative to permitted uses within the State Land Use Agricultural district. This Agreement is also in conformance with Chapter 25, Hawaii County Code, as amended.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this agreement on the day and year first above written.

FIRST PARTY:

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Robert A. DeCoito, Legal Owner

Tanya P. DeCoito, Legal Owner

SECOND PARTY:

BJ Leithead Todd, Planning Director County of Hawaii Planning Department

# STATE OF HAWAII ) ) SS. COUNTY OF HAWAII )

On this  $\oint$  day of <u>November</u>, 2009 before me personally appeared **Robert A. DeCoito** to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

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On this  $\[umber day of \[Nvrmber], 2009\]$  before me personally appeared **Tanya P. DeCoito** to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.



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Document Date: 11-6-07 # Notary Name: KATHY DEMATTOS Doc. Description: Additional Fi Dwzilling Agreement	Pages: <u>12</u> Third Circuit Ìm	NOTARY PUBLIC
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On <u>NOV 19 2009</u>, before me personally appeared BJ Leithead Todd, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did say that BJ Leithead Todd is the Planning Director of the County of Hawai'i, and that the Planning Department of the County of Hawaii has no corporate seal; and that the instrument was signed on behalf of the Planning Department of the County of Hawaii, a government agency, and said BJ Leithead Todd acknowledged the instrument to be the free act and deed of said Planning Department, County of Hawaii.

Cathy / Correia

Notary Public, State of Hawai'i

My Commission Expires: 10-13-2010

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Notary Name: Cathy T. Correia	Third Circuit
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