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May 26, 2016

Bobby Cox Maluhia Kai Ranch, LLC P.O. Box 921 Pepe'ekeo, HI 96783-0921

Dear Mr. Cox:

SUBJECT:	Application:	ADDITIONAL FARM DWELLING AGREEMENT (FDA-16-000396)			
	Applicant:	BOBBY S. COX dba MALUHIA KAI RANCH, LLC			
	Land Owner:	BOBBY S. COX dba MALUHIA KAI RANCH, LLC			
	State Land Use:	Agricultural			
	County Zoning:	A-20a (Agricultural, Minimum Building Site of Twenty Acres)			
	Land Area:	22.72 acres			
	Location:	Lot 83-H, Being a Portion of Grant 1158,			
		Pepe'ekeo, South Hilo, Island of Hawai'i, Hawai'i			
	Tax Map Key:	(3) 2-8-008:017			

Pursuant to authority conferred to the Planning Director by Chapter 25 (Zoning), Article 5, Division 7, Section 25-5-77 of the Hawai'i County Code and Planning Department Rule 13, Farm Dwellings, we have reviewed your request for **one (1) additional farm dwelling** on the subject property and have **approved** your request subject to the following.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 1. Subject Property: Lot 83-H, Pepe'ekeo, South Hilo, Island of Hawai'i.
- 2. Lot Size: 22.723 Acres.
- 3. State Land Use: Agricultural (A).
- 4. **County Zoning:** A-20a (Agricultural, minimum building site of Twenty Acres).

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- 5. **Proposed Request:** One Additional Farm Dwelling.
- 6. Farm Plan includes the following existing/maturing income-producing agricultural activities:

#### a. Existing agricultural activities include:

- i. 140 Lychee trees;
- ii. 110 Rambutan trees;
- iii. 65 Longon trees;
- iv. Large greenhouse for hydroponic vegetables; and
- v. Large pasture area for livestock and horses.
- 7. In addition, you have provided evidence of an active General Excise Tax License.
- 8. **Evidence of Agricultural Activity**: This is an ongoing and resurrected agricultural endeavor with much of the orchard needing restoration to attain fruit-bearing health.
- 9. **Rationale for Establishing AFD:** To accommodate farm help and increases security.

# **FINDINGS**

- 1. 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 HRS Chapter 205-4.5 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 after June 4, 1976, 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 farm-related activity on the building site demonstrate that there is income-producing agricultural activity.
- 4. In addition, the following agencies have submitted their comments as identified below:

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- a. Department of Water Supply (DWS) memo dated April 20, 2016. (See attached *Exhibit A.*)
- b. Department of Health (DOH) memo dated April 27, 2016. (See attached Exhibit B.)

## **DECISION AND CONDITIONS**

In view of the above, your request to construct **one (1) Additional Farm Dwelling** on the property is **approved** subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Your AFDA has been approved based on existing, refurbished agricultural activity as summarized in this letter.
- 2. The AFD shall be used for farm-related purposes and 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 additional farm dwelling.
- 3. An Additional Farm Dwelling Agreement affidavit shall be notarized and submitted to the Planning Department for recordation with the Bureau of Conveyances, State of Hawai'i, which states that the additional dwelling shall be used for farm-related purposes.
- 4. 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 signature(s) along with a check made out to the Bureau of Conveyances in the amount of \$31.00 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 sent for recordation by the Planning Department.

- 5. All other applicable rules, regulations, and requirements of the Planning Department (including but not limited to the Hawai'i County Code, Chapter 25, Zoning), 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.
- 6. The applicant is responsible for any State and Federal tax consequences due to the income produced from the farm activity.
- 7. The First Party (as identified in the Additional Farm Dwelling Agreement) shall allow the Second Party or its representative to inspect the farm upon reasonable prior notice.

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- 8. DWS has noted that the subject parcel does have a County approved water service at present, however an additional water service is not available for the additional dwelling.
- 9. This AFD shall be valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of this approval letter to secure a Building Permit (BP) for the AFD. Failure to secure a BP for this AFD on or before **May 26, 2018** may cause the Director to initiate proceedings to invalidate the AFD.

Please feel free to contact Jonathan Holmes of this office at (808) 961-8146 or email jonathan.holmes@hawaiicounty.gov should you have any further questions and/or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: AFDA document AFDA document instruction sheet Exhibits A & B

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY · COUNTY OF HAWAI'I 345 KEKOANAO'A STREET, SUITE 20 · HILO, HAWAI'I 99720 TELEPHONE (808) 961-8050 · FAX (808) 861-8657 April 20, 2016	TO: Mr. Duane Kanutha, Director Planning Department	FROM: Keith K. Okamoto, Manager-Chief Engineer	SUBJECT: Additional Farm Dwelling Agreement Application (FDA 16-000396) Applicant - Bobby S. Cox dba Malabia Kai Raach, LLC Tax Map Key: 24-008:017	We have reviewed the subject application and have the following comments and conditions.	Please be informed there is an existing 1-inch service lateral installed for the subject partel capable of accommodating one (1) 5/8-inch meter, which is suitable for only one dwelling, unit and limited to an average usage of 400 gallons per variants, is this application is proposang an additional dwelling, the installation of a separate 5/8-inch meter would normally be required in accordance with the Department's Rules and Regulations. However, the Department's existing water system facilities cannot support an additional meter at this time. Extensive improvements would be required, which may include, but not be limited to, source, storage booster pumps, and transmission facilities.	Therefore, the Department has no objections to the proposed application, subject to the applicant understanding and accepting that the Department cannot provide service to the proposed additional farm dwelling. Should the application be approved, both dwellings shall not share the existing meter and the plumbing between both dwellings shall not be interconnected in any way.	Should there be any questions, please contact Mr. Ryan Quitoriano of our Water Resources and Planning Branch at 961-8070, extension 256. Sincerely yours, Keith K. Okamoto, P.E. Manager-Chief Engineer RQ:dfg copy - Mr. Bobby S. Cox, Maluhia Kai Ranch, LLC	EXHIBIT A na Department of Water (Der Most Precious Resource Na Wat A KARe The Department of Water Sugger & in Equal Opportungs produce and orgone.	
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development plans for the properties.

We have no objection to the proposed project. However, under the provisions of Hawaii Administrative Rule, Chapter 11-62, the use of a cesspool / holding tank is not allowed. Please have your engineer submit to us revised wastewater plans.

The existing individual wastewater system can continue to serve the existing dwelling. However, wastewater generated from any additional dwelling unit/building must meet the wastewater rules in effect at the time of building permit application. We recommend that you review all of the Standard Comments on our website: http://nawaii.gov/neath/renvironmental/env-planning/landuse/landuse.html. Any comments specifically applicable to this project should be adhered to.

The same website also features a Healthy Community Design Smart Growth Checklist (Checklist) created by <u>Built Environment Working Group (BEWG)</u> of the Hawaii State Department of Health. The BEWG recommends that state and county planning departments, developers, planners, engineers and other interested parties apply the healthy built environment principles in the Checklist whenever they plan or review new developments or redevelopments projects. We also ask you to state this list with others to increase community awareness on healthy community design.

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