ARBORIST ADVISORY COMMITTEE - COUNTY OF HAWAII
Exceptional Tree Nomination Form

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NOMINEE INFORMATION

1. NAME OF TREE(s)

Common (English or Hawaiian): 'ōhi'a

Scientific: Metrosideros polymorpha

2. LOCATION OF TREE(s) (Be specific--include tax map key; state proximity to prominent landmarks): KALŌPĀ STATE PARK
Native Forest Nature Trail, at Station 31 about 60 feet off main trail, on spur trail.

3. DESCRIBE THE TREE; ATTACH PHOTOGRAPHS, if possible
Giant erect tree representing oldest cohort of 'ōhi'a in the forest. Main forking some 24 feet above ground.

4. PROPERTY OWNER Name: State of Hawaii, DLNR (Parks Division)

Address: 75 Aupuni St., Hilo — Bus. Phone: 961-7200

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5. CRITERIA FOR BEING EXCEPTIONAL

a. Significant Age est. 400-500 years

b. Significant Size - Height 91'; Crown Spread (diameter) 48';
Circumference of trunk 4-1/2 ft. from ground 15'3" (diam. 4'10" = 58")

c. Significant historical interest In forest saved from obliteration, by community action, in 1962-63.

d. Significant cultural background Unknown for this tree.

e. Significant rarity 'Ōhi'a rarely attains such great size, but is among the most common of Hawaiian trees.

f. Significant location In State Park where a principal function is protection of native forest; can be reached by ½ mile walk.

g. Significant aesthetic equality Indeed an awe-inspiring tree.

h. Endemic status 'Ōhi'a is endemic to the Hawaiian Islands.

i. Indigenous status —

j. Healthy condition Early senescence but no fallen branches. Supports normal growth of native climbing ieie.

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