

PLANNING COMMISSION

Planning Department
County of Hawaii
Hilo, Hawaii

Application for)
)
SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA)
USE PERMIT)
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By)
COUNTY OF HAWAII)
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND)
RECREATION)
For)
THE REPLACEMENT OF AN)
EXISTING DERRICK, IN-FILLING)
OF A PORTION OF THE BOAT RAMP,)
AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS)
In)
Mahukona Bay Boat Harbor,)
Mahukona, North Kohala, Hawaii)
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SMA USE PERMIT NO. 95

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT

The County Planning Commission at a duly held public hearing on April 25, 1979, considered the application of COUNTY OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION for a Special Management Area Use Permit in accordance with Rule No. 9, Rules and Regulations Relating to Environmental Shoreline Protection, to allow the replacement of an existing derrick, the in-filling of a portion of the boat ramp, and related improvements at Mahukona Bay Boat Harbor, Mahukona, North Kohala, Hawaii, Tax Map Key 5-7-03:04.

The Commission has found:

That the proposed replacement of the existing boat launch derrick and the infilling of the boat ramp are not expected to have any substantial adverse environmental impact. The subject area is improved with pavement and is presently used as a boat launch facility for the North Kohala area. The proposed improvements will replace and improve the existing boat launch facilities to allow safer and more efficient entry and retrieval of the boats.

Because of the configuration of the bay, and its orientation to the waves, the existing boat ramp is not adequately protected during moderate seas. Further, the existing derrick, with its one-ton capacity, is unable to support more than an 18-foot boat. The proposed improvements will therefore increase the usability of the launch facility by providing safer and more efficient launch/retrieval capabilities. This in turn

will enhance the recreational and commercial fishing opportunities for both residents and visitors to the area. The proposed action will also be in keeping with the recreation element of the General Plan which states as a specific course of action for the North Kohala District that:

"Recommend the expansion of small boat harbor facilities at Mahukona Harbor and multi-use recreation area on adjacent lands."

It is therefore determined that the proposed improvements will not be contrary to the purpose and intent of the objectives and policies of Chapter 205-A or Rule 9 of the Planning Commission.

Therefore, the Commission hereby grants to the petitioner a Special Management Area Use Permit to allow the replacement of an existing derrick, the in-filling of a portion of the boat ramp, and related improvements at Mahukona Bay Boat Harbor, Mahukona, North Kohala, Hawaii, Tax Map Key 5-7-03:04, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Rule No. 9, Rules and Regulations Relating to Environmental Shoreline Protection, subject to the following conditions:


1. That the proposed improvements shall conform substantially to the plans submitted with the application and the representations made by the petitioner;
2. That construction shall commence within two (2) years from the effective date of the Special Management Area Use Permit and completed within two (2) years thereafter.
3. That the petitioner shall obtain the necessary approvals from the State Board of Land and Natural Resources and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers prior to performing any of the proposed improvements; and
4. That all other applicable rules, regulations and requirements shall be complied with.


Should any of the foregoing conditions not be met, the Special Management Area Use Permit may be deemed null and void by the Planning Commission.

The effective date of the permit shall be April 25, 1979.

Dated at Hilo, Hawaii, this 23rd day of May, 1979.

APPROVED as to
FORM and LEGALITY:


DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL
COUNTY OF HAWAII


William F. Mielcke
Chairman, Planning Commission

Date: MAY 16 1979