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May 23, 2013

Mr. Allen A. Salavea Kamehameha Schools 78-6831 Ali'i Drive, Suite 235 Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

Dear Mr. Salavea:

SUBJECT: Special Management Area Use Permit Assessment Application

(SAA 12-000879)

Special Management Area Minor Use Permit (SMM 13-000268)

Applicant: Kamehameha Schools Land Owner: Kamehameha Schools

Request: Keauhou Bay Building Site Remediation and Routine Maintenance

Tax Map Key: 7-8-10:Por. of 44, North Kona, Hawai'i

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Enclosure -

SMM No. 13-000268

Department of Public Works memorandum dated May 13, 2013

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Approximately 800 square feet of the slab and portions of the CMU wall are within the 40 feet shoreline setback area.

Best Management Practices (BMPs) and a demolition site plan were submitted on October 3, 2012.

## 2. Purpose of Project:

KS proposes to implement a more passive use of the site by restoring the property to its natural state and to xeriscape the area utilizing native plants. No new structures will be built at this time.

3. Project Valuation: \$75,000

#### 4. Determination:

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## State and County Plans

- 1. State Land Use District: The subject property is designated Urban.
- 2. General Plan: The Hawaii County General Plan Land Use Pattern Allocation Guide (LUPAG) Map designates the subject property as Open and Resort Node with the project area designated Open.
- 3. **Kona Community Development Plan:** Adopted as Ordinance No. 08 131 and effective September 25, 2008, Chapter 4.4, Cultural Resources includes two Guiding Principals 1) Protect Kona's natural resources and culture, and 4) Provide recreation opportunities.
- 4. County Zoning: The subject property is zoned Resort-Hotel (V-1.25 and V-4) with the project area zoned V-1.25.
- 5. Special Management Area: The parcel is located within the Special Management Area (SMA) and has frontage along the coastline.
- 6. Flood Zone: "AE and X"

## Compliance with Objectives and Policies of Chapter 205A, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Regarding the Special Management Area

The subject parcel has frontage along the ocean. However, the northern project area is inland of an approximately 3-4 feet high rock wall with a ten feet wide opening. The adjacent interior elevation is approximately 2 feet below the opening. Therefore, the proposed project will not affect public access to the shoreline or negatively affect shoreline recreational resources available to the public.

Check all objectives and policies found to be consistent with proposed development. Issuance of SMA Minor Permit requires that activity be consistent with all objectives & policies.

The proposed development is consistent with the following objectives and policies:

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  - Protect, preserve, and where desirable, restore those natural and man-made historic and pre-historic resources in the coastal zone management area that are significant in Hawaiian and American history and culture.
  - Protect, preserve, and where desirable, restore or improve the quality of coastal scenic and open space resources.
  - Protect valuable coastal ecosystems from disruption and minimize adverse impacts on all coastal ecosystems.
  - Provide public or private facilities and improvements important to the State's economy in suitable locations.
  - Reduce hazard to life and property from tsunami, storm waves, stream flooding, erosion, subsidence and pollution.
  - Improve the development review process, communication, and public participation in the management of coastal resources and hazards.
  - Stimulate public awareness, education, and participation in coastal management.
  - Protect beaches for public use and recreation.
  - Promote the protection, use, and development of marine and coastal resources to assure their sustainability.
- The proposed development is consistent with the following policies of Chapter 205A, HRS, relating to:
  - Recreational Resources

  - Scenic and Open Space Resources

  - **区** Economic Uses

  - Managing Development
  - Public Participation
  - ⊠ Beach Protection
  - Marine Resources

## **Findings**

As discussed above, the proposed development will not have any significant adverse environmental or ecological effect, except as such adverse effect is minimized to the extent practicable and clearly outweighed by public health, safety, or compelling public interest.

The proposed development is consistent with the Hawai'i County General Plan and Zoning Code.

The proposed development is consistent with the objectives, policies, and SMA guidelines of Chapter 205A, HRS.

The estimated project cost of \$75,000 is not in excess of \$500,000.

The enclosed Department of Public Works, Engineering Division memorandum dated May 13, 2013, states the following:

"We reviewed the subject application and our comments are as follows:

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The above information is based on the most recent FIRM for the County of Hawai'i. The proposed boulders the applicant wishes to install along the makai property line is in the AE Zone and is an encroachment or obstruction, subject to the requirements of Chapter 27 of Hawai'i County Code. Certification by a licensed Civil Engineer is required in conformance to Section 27-18c (Encroachments).

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact Kiran Emler of our Kona Engineering Division office at 327-3530."

Pursuant to Planning Commission Rule Section 9-10(e), Special Management Area Minor Permit No. 13-000268 is hereby approved for the Keauhou Bay Building site remediation and routine maintenance of the project area, subject to the applicant's compliance with the conditions of approval as specified below.

### **Conditions of Approval**

The Planning Director has approved SMA Minor Permit No. 13-000268, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant, its successors or assigns shall be responsible for complying with all stated conditions of approval.
- The applicant shall secure all necessary approvals and permits from other affected federal, state, and county agencies as necessary to comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

- 3. As required by Planning Department Rule 11-8(b), the work within the shoreline setback area shall be completed within one (1) year from the date of this permit or from the approval date of the last discretionary permit, whichever is last.
- 4. Prior to any grading, landscaping and construction activity,
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  - b. Submit a copy of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Division approval of the required archaeological site preservation plan and the archaeological monitoring plan.
  - c. The existing construction and dust barriers must be in good condition, properly maintained or replaced as may be necessary to ensure they serve their intended purposes. However, it must also be augmented with a silt barrier.
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- 6. Heavy equipment may be used to only demolish portions of the slab and CMU walls that are outside of the shoreline setback area. Therefore, please stake the 40 feet shoreline setback line and contact Planning Inspector Horace Yanagi at 323-4782 or Randy Lovato at 323-4781 to schedule a site inspection prior to commencing any actual work.
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- 8. No stockpiling of debris or parking of machinery or equipment is allowed within the shoreline setback area.
- 9. The project area and the areas makai shall be kept clear of any rubbish or debris resulting from these activities at all times. Appropriate BMPs shall be employed to ensure no dust from concrete or CMU wall demolition becomes airborne or is washed into the ocean.
- 10. Discovery of any unidentified sites or remains, such as artifacts, shell, bone or charcoal deposits, human burials, rock or coral alignments, pavings or walls will require that all work in the immediate area shall cease. The Planning Director shall be immediately notified. Work may proceed with an archaeological clearance from the Planning Director. The archaeological clearance requires a finding that sufficient mitigative measures are taken for the discovery; with written guidance from the State Historic Preservation Division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

11. Should any of the conditions not be met or substantially complied with in a timely fashion, the Planning Director shall initiate procedures to revoke the permit.

If you have questions, please contact Esther Imamura of this department at 961-8139.

APPROVED:

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Planning Director

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Date

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS COUNTY OF HAWAII HILO, HAWAII

DATE: May 13, 2013

## Memorandum

TO

B. J. Leithead-Todd, Planning Director

**Planning Department** 

FROM

Ben Ishii, Division Chief

engineering Division

SUBJECT :

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TMK: 3/7-8-010-044

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Dear Mr. Salavea:

SUBJECT: Amendment to SMA Minor Permit No. 13-000268

Applicant:

Request:

Kamehameha Schools Kamehameha Schools

Land Owner:

Additional Landscaping Improvements and

Tree Removal/Maintenance

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This is to acknowledge receipt of the April 3, 2014 request to amend SMA Minor Permit No.: 13-000268, and allow for additional landscaping and tree removal/maintenance on the subject parcel. Also acknowledged is receipt of supplemental information on June 24<sup>th</sup>, August 27<sup>th</sup>, and October 22, 2014.

#### **Previous Determination:**

SMM-13-000268, issued on May 23, 2014, allowed for the Keauhou Bay Building Site remediation and routine maintenance of a portion of the subject parcel. Landscaping improvements included using native plants and screening, water spigot for initial irrigation and routine maintenance of the project area. These proposed activities within the shoreline setback area were determined to be minor activities that do not require a shoreline setback variance.

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## Requested Additions/Amendments to SMM 13-000268:

Phase I:

- a. Repair existing rock wall across project area frontage to be consistent with existing wall fronting the King Kamehameha III birth site. The repaired wall will match the color, shape, and height of the existing wall
  - 1. The height of the existing wall is 2.5' with a width is 2.5'. The proposed new wall to be similar to the one fronting the King Kamehameha III birth site will have a height of 2.5' but a width of 1.5' to 2.75'. The wall will be slightly wider on the ground and extend further across the parcel to connect with the King Kamehameha III birth site wall on the adjacent TMK: 7-8-012:017. Therefore, the proposal is not a repair of the existing wall, but a demolition of the existing wall followed by the construction of a new, larger and longer wall. This is indicated on the enclosed diagram by Kona Wai Engineering, LLC. However, according to the Proposed Landscape Plan, we note that the mauka end of the northern wall appears to end beneath a Kou Tree. Please clarify if the new wall will continue mauka to the base of the cliff. Further, clarify if the placement of 3-4' diameter rocks that were previously approved to prevent vehicular trespassing onto the project site will be replaced by this new wall.
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  - 3. A current certified shoreline survey is required to determine the 40-foot shoreline setback area with regard to the location of the new wall.
- b. Install interpretative signage and other SHPD approved archaeological treatment of Moikeha Cave per the Preservation Plan.
  - 1. SHPD letter dated May 30, 2013 states that "SHPD accepts these interim protection measures, and looks forward to the opportunity to review an archaeological site preservation plan when one is available. We also look forward to consulting with project proponents about revised interim protection measures if intact, subsurface materials associated with SIHP 24265 is found outside of the interim protection zone during monitoring activities."
  - 2. The Proposed Landscape Plan denotes "Approximate location of interpretative signage". Your letter stated "Install interpretative signage and other SHPD

approved archaeological treatment of Moikeha Cave per Preservation Plan." Although we have a copy of the Final Archaeological Monitoring Plan (FAMP), we do not have a copy of an Archaeological Site Preservation Plan. Until we have a copy of this document, we are unable to review the request for the posting of signs. Further, as there is only an "approximate location" for the signage, please note the location on the landscape plan, along with dimensions and descriptions of signs, in relation to the shoreline setback area. Also, compliance with Hawai'i County Code, Chapter 3, Signs, may be required.

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In reference to the interim protection measures for the cave, the FAMP required the installation of a temporary buffer fence outside the entrance to cave Site 24264 at a distance of 9 to 10 feet west of the dripline entrance into the cave, extending between the raised escarpments at the north and south ends. Please clearly denote on the plan the extent of the cave entrance. Further, clarify if the proposed 'Ōhi'a barrier is to be temporary or permanent and provide description and/or diagram, as may be necessary to understand what it is being proposed. This barrier should also be clearly delineated on the site plan along with the temporary buffer fence called for in the FAMP.

#### Phase II:

- a. Install weed mats and cinder in planting areas to prevent weed growth.
- b. Install Laua'e fern ground cover and one Naupaka shrub.
- c. Install tree plantings of 2 Kou, 1 Hinano, 5 Puhala and 8 Loulu Palms.
- d. Install temporary irrigation lines to support the establishment of ground cover and tree plantings.
- e. Install sand with ili ili stones in center portion of project area.

SMM 13-000268 allowed for landscaping improvements using appropriate native plants and screening, tamper-proof spigot for initial irrigation and routine maintenance of the project area. Items a, b, c, and e may also be installed as these are similar to and consistent with what was approved by SMM 13-000268.

For Item d, however, it appears that the initial proposal to xeriscape the area using a tamper-proof spigot is being revised to allow for a more extensive installation of temporary irrigation lines to support ground cover and tree plantings. In order to determine if it qualifies for a minor structure or activity in the shoreline setback area, please provide a more detailed description of the proposed irrigation system, its location and what, if any, land altering activity will be necessary to install and/or remove it.

#### Phase III:

- a. Remove three (3) trees on the bluff at the rear of the SMM 13-000286 project site.
- b. Routinely prune remaining trees in the project area to remove dead and decaying branches.

On the landscape plan submitted on April 3, 2014, trees which were to be removed or routinely maintained were not identified. Further, the plan included trees mauka along the top of the bluff. We note that the Final Archaeological Monitoring Plan was limited to the area below the bluff and included the Moʻikeha Cave and former Sea Paradise site. As the upper bluff area has additional listed historical features, State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) review for activity in this mauka area will be required before any routine tree maintenance or removal will be allowed. Trees below (makai of) the bluff may be routinely maintained. However, written approval from the Planning Director will be required before removal of any trees.

Cost for the additional improvements is estimated to be less than \$30,000. Since the total project valuation for SMM 13-000268 is now \$105,000, it does not exceed the \$500,000 valuation set by HRS 205A-22 for the SMA minor permit.

## Summary:

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### B. Not Approved:

- 1. Construction of a new rock wall
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July 18, 2012 photos Proposed Landscape Plan

Kona Wai Engineering, LLC Diagram

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- d. Installation of 3-4' diameter rocks along the western border to prevent vehicular trespassing onto the site.
- e. Landscaping improvements using appropriate native plants and screening. Tamper-proof water spigot will provide initial irrigation to assist renaturalization of the area. Also included will be routine maintenance of the project area.

Approximately 800 square feet of the slab and portions of the CMU wall are within the 40 feet shoreline setback area.

Best Management Practices (BMPs) and a demolition site plan were submitted on October 3, 2012.

## 2. Purpose of Project:

KS proposes to implement a more passive use of the site by restoring the property to its natural state and to xeriscape the area utilizing native plants. No new structures will be built at this time.

3. Project Valuation: \$75,000

#### 4. Determination:

According to Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 205A-22 and Planning Commission (PC) Rule 9-4(e)(1)(B) and (A), "Development" includes "Grading, removing, dredging, mining, or extraction of any materials" and "Placement or erection of any solid material or any gaseous, liquid, solid, or thermal waste", respectively. Therefore, the proposed project is considered "Development" and requires a Special Management Area Minor Permit.

### **State and County Plans**

- 1. State Land Use District: The subject property is designated Urban.
- General Plan: The Hawaii County General Plan Land Use Pattern Allocation Guide (LUPAG) Map designates the subject property as Open and Resort Node with the project area designated Open.
- 3. Kona Community Development Plan: Adopted as Ordinance No. 08 131 and effective September 25, 2008, Chapter 4.4, Cultural Resources includes two Guiding Principals 1) Protect Kona's natural resources and culture, and 4) Provide recreation opportunities.
- 4. County Zoning: The subject property is zoned Resort-Hotel (V-1.25 and V-4) with the project area zoned V-1.25.
- 5. Special Management Area: The parcel is located within the Special Management Area (SMA) and has frontage along the coastline.
- 6. Flood Zone: "AE and X"

## Compliance with Objectives and Policies of Chapter 205A, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Regarding the Special Management Area

The subject parcel has frontage along the ocean. However, the northern project area is inland of an approximately 3-4 feet high rock wall with a ten feet wide opening. The adjacent interior elevation is approximately 2 feet below the opening. Therefore, the proposed project will not affect public access to the shoreline or negatively affect shoreline recreational resources available to the public.

Check all objectives and policies found to be consistent with proposed development. Issuance of SMA Minor Permit requires that activity be consistent with all objectives & policies.

The proposed development is consistent with the following objectives and policies:

Development will not have any significant adverse environmental or ecological effect, except as such adverse effect is minimized to the extent practicable and clearly outweighed by public health, safety, or compelling public interest. Such adverse effect shall include, but not be limited to, the potential cumulative impact of individual developments, each one of which taken in itself might not have a substantial adverse effect and the elimination of planning options.

- The proposed development is consistent with the Hawaii County General Plan and the Zoning Code.
- The proposed development does not conflict with the following objectives of Chapter 205A, HRS, to:
  - Provide coastal recreational opportunities accessible to the public.
  - Protect, preserve, and where desirable, restore those natural and man-made historic and pre-historic resources in the coastal zone management area that are significant in Hawaiian and American history and culture.
  - Protect, preserve, and where desirable, restore or improve the quality of coastal scenic and open space resources.
  - Protect valuable coastal ecosystems from disruption and minimize adverse impacts on all coastal ecosystems.
  - Provide public or private facilities and improvements important to the State's economy in suitable locations.
  - Reduce hazard to life and property from tsunami, storm waves, stream flooding, erosion, subsidence and pollution.
  - Improve the development review process, communication, and public participation in the management of coastal resources and hazards.
  - Stimulate public awareness, education, and participation in coastal management.
  - Protect beaches for public use and recreation.
  - Promote the protection, use, and development of marine and coastal resources to assure their sustainability.
- The proposed development is consistent with the following policies of Chapter 205A, HRS, relating to:
  - Recreational Resources

  - Scenic and Open Space Resources

  - Economic Uses

  - Managing Development
  - Public Participation
  - Beach Protection
  - Marine Resources

### **Findings**

As discussed above, the proposed development will not have any significant adverse environmental or ecological effect, except as such adverse effect is minimized to the extent practicable and clearly outweighed by public health, safety, or compelling public interest.

The proposed development is consistent with the Hawai'i County General Plan and Zoning Code.

The proposed development is consistent with the objectives, policies, and SMA guidelines of Chapter 205A, HRS.

The estimated project cost of \$75,000 is not in excess of \$500,000.

The enclosed Department of Public Works, Engineering Division memorandum dated May 13, 2013, states the following:

"We reviewed the subject application and our comments are as follows:

We have determined that the subject project is located within Flood Zones "AE" according to the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The above information is based on the most recent FIRM for the County of Hawai'i. The proposed boulders the applicant wishes to install along the makai property line is in the AE Zone and is an encroachment or obstruction, subject to the requirements of Chapter 27 of Hawai'i County Code. Certification by a licensed Civil Engineer is required in conformance to Section 27-18c (Encroachments).

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact Kiran Emler of our Kona Engineering Division office at 327-3530."

Pursuant to Planning Commission Rule Section 9-10(e), Special Management Area Minor Permit No. 13-000268 is hereby approved for the Keauhou Bay Building site remediation and routine maintenance of the project area, subject to the applicant's compliance with the conditions of approval as specified below.

## **Conditions of Approval**

The Planning Director has approved SMA Minor Permit No. 13-000268, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant, its successors or assigns shall be responsible for complying with all stated conditions of approval.
- The applicant shall secure all necessary approvals and permits from other affected federal, state, and county agencies as necessary to comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

- 3. As required by Planning Department Rule 11-8(b), the work within the shoreline setback area shall be completed within one (1) year from the date of this permit or from the approval date of the last discretionary permit, whichever is last.
- 4. Prior to any grading, landscaping and construction activity,
  - a. Submit written documentation from the Department of Public Works, Engineering Division that the proposed rock barrier complies with the requirements of Chapter 27, Hawai'i County Code.
  - b. Submit a copy of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Division approval of the required archaeological site preservation plan and the archaeological monitoring plan.
  - c. The existing construction and dust barriers must be in good condition, properly maintained or replaced as may be necessary to ensure they serve their intended purposes. However, it must also be augmented with a silt barrier.
- 5. All construction, dust and silt barriers must be shown and properly noted on the plans submitted with any permits required for any land altering activities. The construction notes on the plans must include the following statement, "the construction, dust and silt barriers must be erected prior to any land altering or construction activities, and must remain in place until final inspection by Department of Public Works."
- 6. Heavy equipment may be used to only demolish portions of the slab and CMU walls that are outside of the shoreline setback area. Therefore, please stake the 40 feet shoreline setback line and contact Planning Inspector Horace Yanagi at 323-4782 or Randy Lovato at 323-4781 to schedule a site inspection prior to commencing any actual work.
- 7. No heavy equipment or refueling of machinery and vehicles are allowed within the shoreline setback area. Only hand tools (i.e. jack hammers, sledge hammers, wheelbarrow, etc.) will be used to demolish the area of slab and CMU walls within the shoreline setback area.
- 8. No stockpiling of debris or parking of machinery or equipment is allowed within the shoreline setback area.
- 9. The project area and the areas makai shall be kept clear of any rubbish or debris resulting from these activities at all times. Appropriate BMPs shall be employed to ensure no dust from concrete or CMU wall demolition becomes airborne or is washed into the ocean.
- 10. Discovery of any unidentified sites or remains, such as artifacts, shell, bone or charcoal deposits, human burials, rock or coral alignments, pavings or walls will require that all work in the immediate area shall cease. The Planning Director shall be immediately notified. Work may proceed with an archaeological clearance from the Planning Director. The archaeological clearance requires a finding that sufficient mitigative measures are taken for the discovery; with written guidance from the State Historic Preservation Division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

11. Should any of the conditions not be met or substantially complied with in a timely fashion, the Planning Director shall initiate procedures to revoke the permit.

If you have questions, please contact Esther Imamura of this department at 961-8139.

APPROVED:

BJ LEITHEAD FODD

Planning Director

5.23.13

Date

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS COUNTY OF HAWAII HILO, HAWAII

DATE: May 13, 2013

## Memorandum

TO

B. J. Leithead-Todd, Planning Director

Planning Department

FROM

Ben Ishii, Division Chief

engineering Division

SUBJECT :

Special Management Area Use Permit

Assessment Application (SAA 12-000879)

Applicant: Kamehameha Schools

Location: Keauhou (North Kona) Hawai'i

TMK: 3/7-8-010-044

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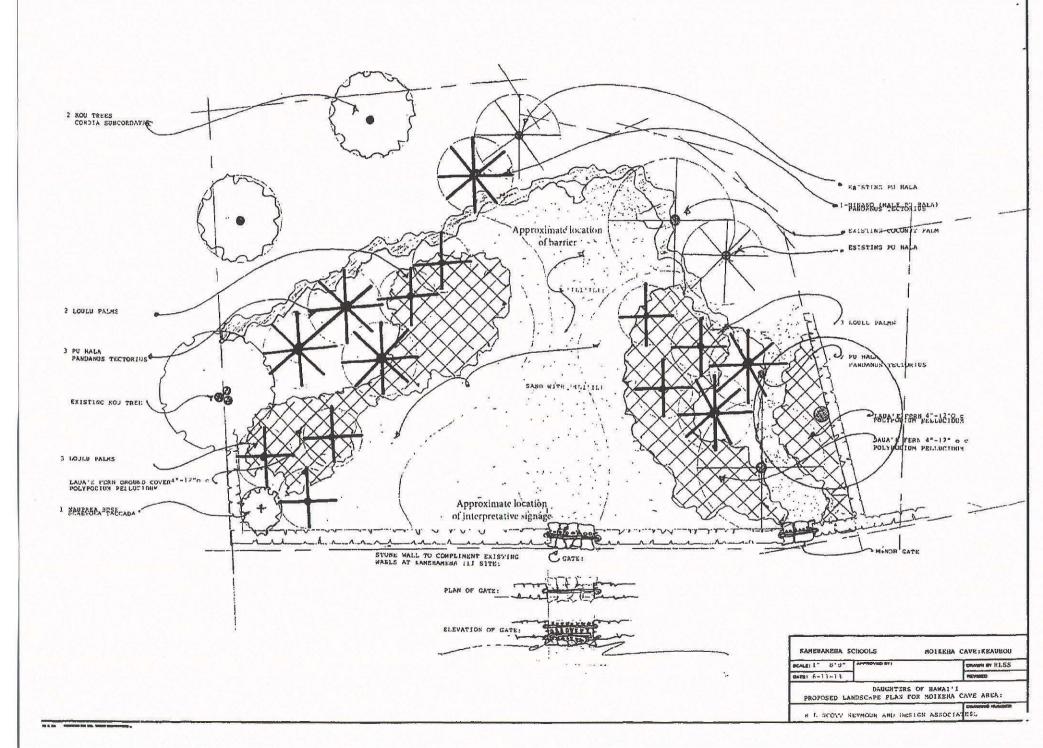


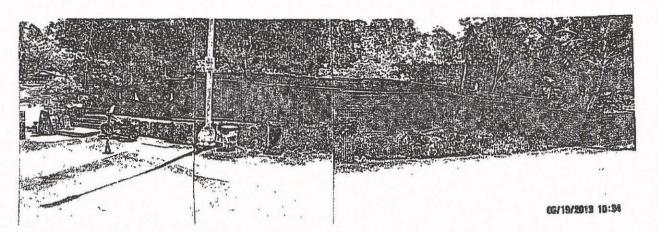
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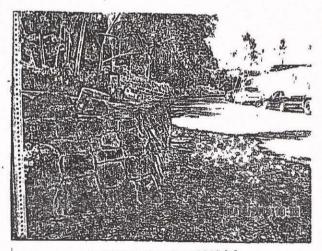








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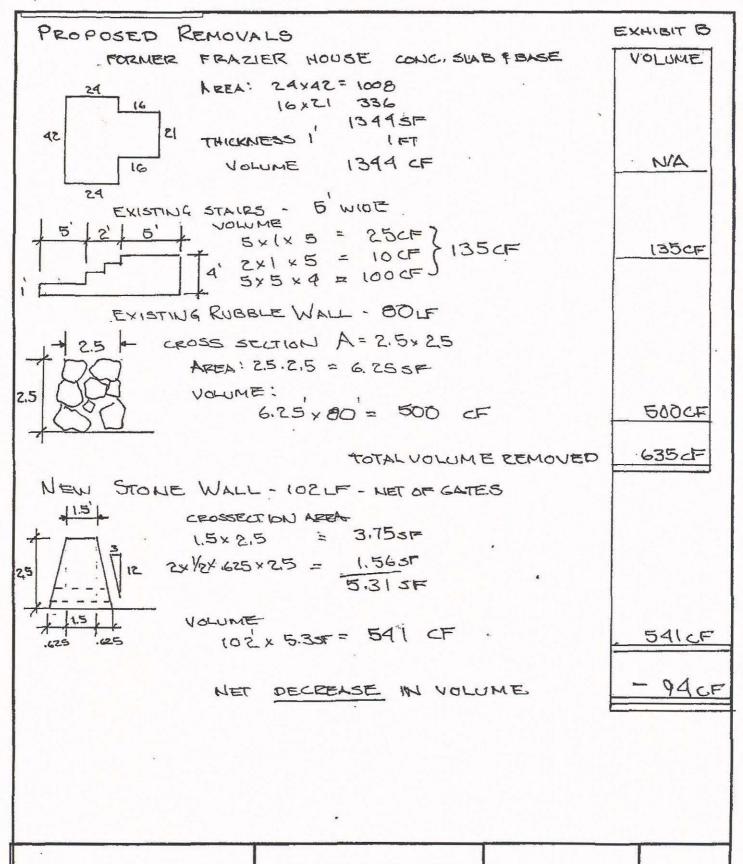


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