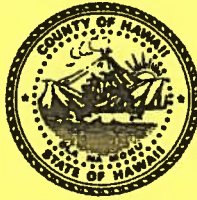


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November 13, 2007

Mr. Ron Terry
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Dear Mr. Terry:

Subject: Pre-Assessment Consultation for Draft Environmental Assessment (EA)
Project: McCandless Ranch Residential Structure in Conservation District
Tax Map Key: (3) 8-6-14:12

This is in response to your letter dated November 2, 2007, in which you requested our comments on any special environmental conditions or impacts related to the proposed development.

The subject 0.20-acre property is situated in the County of Hawaii's Special Management Area and the State Land Use Conservation district.

A Special Management Area (SMA) Use Permit Assessment Application is required for review against the SMA guidelines by the Planning Department for the issuance of a determination by the Planning Director that the proposed project does not present a cumulative impact or a significant adverse environmental or ecological effect on the SMA, and that no activities or structures are proposed within the shoreline setback area.

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We look forward to reviewing the EA, certified shoreline survey, botanical survey, and archaeological inventory mentioned in your letter. Please provide this office with a copy of these documents when they become available. Should you have questions, please contact Maija Cottle of my staff at 961-8288 extension 253.

Sincerely,



CHRISTOPHER J. YUEN
Planning Director

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