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LOG NO: 2005,1216 DOCCNO: 0506MM05

Dear Dr. Haun:

SUBJECT:

6E-42 Historic Preservation Review, Archaeological Inventory

Survey Report

Kukuiopae, South Kona, Hawaii Island

TMK: (3) 8-7-011:001 (por)

Thank you for submitting this inventory survey report for our review, which we received on April 12, 2005. The report was prepared for Sunstone Realty Partners, Inc. in anticipation of their application for a land alteration permit for a roadway.

The historic background section and summary of previous archaeological work is sufficient to predict the types of historic sites that might be encountered within the project area, and to evaluate their significance. Pre-contact features such as trails, agricultural mounds, terraces, modified outcrops, walled enclosures, caves and platforms might be encountered, related to temporary habitation and burial. House lots and intensively cultivated areas are not expected, as your research indicates these activities are more likely at higher elevations above Mamalahoa Highway, rather than in the drier zone between the ocean and highway where the survey area is situated.

We believe the field survey of the 3,550-foot long corridor was sufficient, given the methodology described, to identify all archaeological features within the project area. Width of the surveyed corridor ranges from 150 to 554-feet, based on the anticipated area of effect for the proposed roadway grading. According to our calculations, this represents approximately 28-acres of surveyed area. As a reminder, our administrative rules specify that you must state the total acreage of the project area in your site descriptions, and we would appreciate your including this information in future reports.

A total of three archaeological sites were identified during the survey. All three, Sites 24392, 24393 and 24394 are described as walls passing through the linear project area. The total length of the walls is unknown as they continue in both directions outside the project area boundaries. Based on their orientation and construction, you interpret them as boundary walls that may have delineated agricultural gardens and assess them as significant under Criterion D, for the information they have provided. No further work is recommended.

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We believe the sites have been sufficiently documented and agree with your significance assessment and recommendation for no further work. Therefore, no historic properties will be affected by the development of the roadway. The inventory survey meets the minimum requirements of HAR 13-276 and is therefore accepted as adequate.

If you have any questions regarding our comments, please contact MaryAnne Maigret in our Hawaii Island office at 327-3690.

Aloha,

Melanie A. Chinen, Administrator State Historic Preservation Division

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