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LOG NO: 2013.6256 DOC NO: 1311MV13 Archaeology

SUBJECT: Chapter 6E-42 Historic Preservation Review -County of Hawai'i Subdivision Permit Application No. SUB-13-001285 For Kealakekua Heritage Ranch Multiple Ahupua'a, South Kona District, Island of Hawai'i TMK: (3) 8-2-001:101 and 8-2-012:001 &:012

Thank you for the opportunity to review this subdivision application that was originally received by our office on September 27, 2013. The application indicates the aforementioned TMK parcels, which total 11494.97 acres, will be subdivided into 3 lots, 9.968, 1857.80, and 9627.2 acres in size. The initial review of our records (LOG NO: 2013.5088, DOC NO: 1310MV05) indicates that the project area has not been subjected to an archaeological inventory survey. In addition, our records indicate that historic properties have been previously identified in the project area (SIHP -7288). Finally, aerial photographs indicate that remnants of Kona Field System type archaeological sites such as kuaiwi walls exist in the project area. (Therefore, it is very likely that historic properties exist within this project area, and SHPD requested additional information in the form of the proposed plat maps for this subdivision in order to determine how the proposed subdivision will affect the identified historic properties in the project area. The proposed plat map was received by our office on October 21, 2013. The plat map indicates that there is no ground disturbance that is an immediate intended result of this subdivision. Therefore, SHPD believes that no historic properties will be affected by this project. However, in the future, SHPD requests the opportunity to review any permits that may lead to ground disturbance on the subject parcels.

In the event that historic resources, including human skeletal remains, structural remains, sand deposits, midden deposits, or lava tubes are identified during construction activities, please cease work in the immediate vicinity of the find, protect the find from additional disturbance, and contact the State Historic Preservation Division at (808) 933-7653.

Please contact Mike Vitousek at (808) 652-1510 or Michael Vitousek@Hawaii.gov if you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Aloha,

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