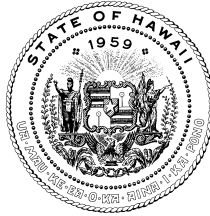


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Dear Mr. McKeague:

**SUBJECT: Chapter 6E-42 Historic Preservation Review –
HCDA Mitigation Plan, Aloha Solar Energy Fund (ASEF) - Kalaeloa (Project No. 212)
Honouliuli Ahupuaa, Ewa District, Island of O‘ahu
TMK: (1) 9-1-013:070**

Thank you for the opportunity to review your document titled *Aloha Solar Energy Fund – Kalaeloa, Kalaeloa, Oahu, Hawaii, Mitigation Plan* (Group 70 International, September 2012) received by our office on October 3, 2012. This mitigation plan was prepared for SHPD review and approval at the request of the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA). The proposed mitigation plan specifies the remediation efforts that will be undertaken to address the unauthorized disturbance on Parcel 13073-E, resulting in possible damage to historic properties (SIHP Sites 5119 and 5120).

In April 2012, prior to formal issuance of right-of-entry from HCDA, Geolabs, Inc. conducted unauthorized work on Parcel 13073-E. On April 16, 2012, ‘Ahahui Siwila Hawai‘i o Kapōlei, also known as the Kapolei Hawaiian Civic Club officially notified HCDA and SHPD of the violation and that Site 5119 may have been destroyed (April 16, 2012, Log. No. 2012.1092). In August 2012, HCDA authorized its Executive Director to accept remediation measures proposed by ASEF and requested ASEF submit a mitigation plan to SHPD for concurrence.

The mitigation plan specifies that an archaeological inventory survey plan (AISP) will be prepared for HCDA and SHPD review and approval. The AIS will comprise the entire parcel and include an inventory and assessment of damage to individual features associated with Sites 5119, 5120, or any newly-identified sites. ASEF will coordinate with SHPD, as needed, to address concerns about interim fencing for sensitive cultural and/or archaeological resources. SHPD will conduct at least one site visit prior to completion of the AIS fieldwork and will review the AIS report. Upon HCDA and SHPD approval of the AIS report, SHPD will receive a final copy for inclusion in the SHPD library.

SHPD concurs with the mitigation measures specified in the mitigation plan. We look forward to receiving the AISP for review and approval. Please contact Susan A. Lebo at (808) 692-8019 or Susan.A.Lebo@hawaii.gov if you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Theresa K. Donham'.

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