

State of Hawaii, Department of Health, Clean Water Branch

## NOI Form C

NOI for HAR, Chapter 11-55, Appendix C - NPDES General Permit Authorizing Discharges of Storm Water Associated With Construction Activities (as defined in 40 CFR §§122.26(b)(14)(x) and 122.26(b)(15)(i))

All sections of this form MUST be completed for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit compliance.

# C.1 – General Information

You are required to fulfill all requirements. By submitting the NOI, you are certifying that:

- I prepared a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in accordance with HAR, Chapter 11-55, Appendix C, Section 7 prior to submitting this NOI.
- *I will comply with all terms, conditions, and requirements in HAR Chapter 11-55, Appendix C.*
- I will implement, operate, and maintain my SWPPP to ensure that storm water discharges associated with construction activities will not violate HAR, Chapter 11-54; HAR, Chapter 11-55; and HAR, Chapter 11-55, Appendix C.

# C.2 - Existing Pollution Sources/History of Land Use

Describe the history of land use at the existing Facility/Project site: <u>The project site crosses Ala</u> <u>Moana Boulevard between Ward Avenue and Kamakee Street.</u> The mauka landing area was <u>previously a warehouse and commercial center that is in the process of being transformed into a</u> <u>mix of residential, commercial, and recreational uses.</u> The area underlying the makai landing <u>site for the bridge was previously shoreline that has been filled to create the Kewalo Harbor.</u>

Determine if the existing Facility/Project site may contain any existing pollution source(s) by using the following references. Place a check next to all references you utilized to determine existing pollution source(s). You are required to check at least one reference.

- ☐ a. DOH, Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch-Hawaii Underground Storage Tank- Leaking Underground Storage Tank database
- Ø b. Phase I and/or Phase II Environmental Site Assessments, as applicable
- $\boxtimes$  c. Recent site inspections
- $\boxtimes$  *d. Past land use history*
- $\boxtimes$  e. Soil sampling data, if available
- $\Box$  f. Other (specify):\_\_\_\_\_

You are also required to check the Department of Health, Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response (HEER) Office Sites, Incidents and Records through the "Viewer" in iHEER at: <u>https://eha-cloud.doh.hawaii.gov/iheer</u>.

Note: The HEER Office is currently updating site information for sites. Most, but not all sites may be displayed on the viewer map. Site Document data upload is ongoing and not all documents may be currently available via this website. To get the complete record for the site, a <u>record request form</u> can be filled and submitted it to the HEER Office. Users will then be notified when they are able to download all information via the iHEER system website.

Describe any existing pollution source(s) identified in the references you checked above and from HEER Office Sites, Incidents and Records:

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, Phase II Environmental Site Assessment, and Soil Sampling was conducted for the demolition of the former Ward Warehouse. Relevant findings include identification of an incidental release of leaking hydraulic fluid from a decommissioned elevator, and pesticide-contaminated soil (termite treatment) surrounding building foundations. Soil sampling detected Heptachlor, Dieldrin, and Chlordane around the demolished building foundations. None of these sites overlap the footprint of the project, however, may be within the construction access, staging and stockpiling areas.

Describe any corrective measures that have been undertaken for any existing pollution source(s): For the hydraulic elevator, the elevator, concrete foundation, and impacted soil were excavated and disposed of at the PVT Landfill located in Waianae. Hydraulic oil and oily water was skimmed and disposed of at Unitek Solvent Services in Kapolei. Soil samples and groundwater samples from the pit were taken, and confirmed the remediation.

<u>Remedial actions (removal of impacted soils)have been undertaken to address the elevated levels</u> of pesticides in the soil. Filing of the remedial action report with the HDOH HEER office was scheduled for April 2021. A letter of no further action is anticipated.

Note: You are required to contact the Department of Health, Office of Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response at (808) 586-4249 and through e-permitting Form "Notification of Construction Activities" at Form Finder <u>https://eha-cloud.doh.hawaii.gov/epermit/finder</u> if contaminated soil, vapor, or groundwater is known to be present at your project site. Notify at least 90 days prior to surface and subsurface disturbing activities (demolition, building/site configuration changes, grading, excavation, or prior to any other activities) that may disturb the ground surface at HEER sites. If you missed the 90 days notification time frame, notify the HEER Office as soon as possible to avoid any potential delays regarding your project.

C.3 - Construction Site Estimates

Please provide the following estimates for the construction site.

Total project area including areas to be left undisturbed: \_\_\_\_\_

<u>2.33</u> acres

 Construction site area to be disturbed including storage and staging areas:
 2.3 acres

 Impervious area before construction:
 .04 acres

 Impervious area after construction:
 .58 acres

# C.4 - Quantity of Storm Water Runoff

Estimate the quantity of storm water runoff during construction when the greatest and/or maximum area of disturbance occurs. Provide the supporting calculations in an attachment or insert in this section.

\_ Millions of Gallons per Day (MGD)

or

Coeffecient)\*I (Average Rainfall Intensity(in/hr)))\*A (drainage area-acres) = Q (Peak Discharge cfs) Concrete Areas: 0.9 \* 1.1 \* .04 = 0.0396 cfs Vegetated Areas: 0.2 \* 1.1 \* 2.29 = 0.5038 cfs <u>Total = 0.5434</u> *Cubic Feet per Second (CFS)* 

## C.5 - Soil Characterization

Describe the nature of the soil on the project site (including the potential to encounter contaminated soil) and the nature of the fill material to be used: <u>Kakaako was originally a low-lying swampland</u>. The underlying material within the project area is recent fill. Jaucas sand <u>underlies portions of project area in the mauka landing site section</u>. Although there have been <u>contaminated soils encountered in previous construction activities, encountering contaminated soils during construction activities is assumed to be limited due to previous site remediation, and <u>limited ground disturbance</u>. Fill materials to be used during the construction process will <u>involve soil material that meets the specifications determined by the geotechnical engineer</u>.</u>

C.6 - Nature and Sequence of Construction Activity

 What is the function of the construction activity (Please check all applicable activity(ies))?

 □ Residential □ Commercial □ Industrial ⊠ Road Construction □ Linear Utility

 ⊠ Other (please specify): Elevated Walkway

What is being constructed? <u>Elevated pedestrian walkway/Land bridge over Ala Moana</u> Boulevard

Describe the scope of work and major construction activities you wish to be covered in this NOI, including baseyards and staging areas. You may only include project areas where the locations of impervious structures are known; project areas where the final grades are known; and work areas that will be performed by one (1) general contractor. A separate NOI will be required for all other project areas.

Construction of pathways and stairs leading to bridge; retaining walls, drainage, lighting, security systems, controls, bridge landings, elevated walkway, median reconstruction, landscaping, staging, storage, and access to construction site.

## C.7 - Existing or Pending Permits, Licenses, or Approvals

Place a check next to all applicable Federal, State, or County permits, Licenses, or approvals for the project and specify the permit number.

- Other NPDES Permit or NGPC File No.:\_\_\_\_\_
- Department of the Army Permit (Section 404):\_\_\_\_\_\_
  - If your project requires work in, above, under or adjacent to State waters, please contact the Army Corps of Engineers (COE) Regulatory Branch at (808) 438-9258 regarding their permitting requirements. Provide a copy of the COE permitting jurisdictional determination (JD) or the JD with COE Person's Name, Phone Number, and Date Contacted.
- □ Facility on SARA 313 List (identify SARA 313 chemicals on project site:\_\_\_\_\_
- RCRA Permit (Hazardous Wastes):\_\_\_\_\_
- □ Section 401 Water Quality Certification:\_\_\_\_\_

Ø Other (Specify): <u>Chapter 343, NEPA, Section 106, Section 7, SMA (Letter No. DTS</u> 202105121212LI), Noise Variance (pending), Noise Permit (pending)

County-approved Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and/or Grading Permit

a. Is a County-approved Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and/or Grading Permit, where applicable for the activity and schedule for implementing each control, required?

 $\boxtimes$  Yes. Please complete Section C.7.b below and skip Section C.7.c.

- $\square$  No. Please complete Section C.7.c below and skip Section C.7.b.
- b. Is a copy County-approved Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and/or Grading Permit, as appropriate for the activity and schedule for implementing each control, attached?
  - Yes, see Attachment

 $\square$  No, the County-approved Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and/or Grading Permit, as appropriate for the activity and schedule for implementing each control, will be submitted at least 30 calendar days before the start of construction activities.

- c. Please select and complete at least one (1) of the following items to demonstrate that a County-approved Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and/or Grading Permit, as appropriate for the activity and schedule for implementing each control, is not required.
  - $\square$  See Attachment \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the County written determination.

  - □ *The project is a Federal Project and does not require County approval.*
  - Ø Other (specify): <u>Please see attached MOU between the City and HDOT</u>

## C.8 - Project Site Maps and Construction Plans/Drawings

Attach, title, and identify all maps (pdf - minimum 300 dpi) listed below, in Attachment A.

Please reference which maps account for the features listed below.

- a. Island on which the project is located. <u>See Figure 1</u>
- b. Vicinity of the project on the island. <u>See Figure 1</u>
- c. Legal boundaries of the project. <u>See Plans</u>
- *d.* Receiving State water(s) from Section 6 of e-Permitting form and receiving separate drainage system(s) from Section 7 of e-Permitting form, identified and labeled. <u>See Figure 2</u>
- *e.* Location of ALL discharge points from Section 6 of *e*-Permitting form with identification numbers. <u>See Figure 2</u>
- f. Boundaries of 100-Year flood plans. <u>See Figure 3</u>
- g. Areas of soil disturbance. <u>See Plans</u>
- *h.* Location(s) of impervious structures (including buildings, roads, parking lots, etc.) after construction is completed. <u>See Plans</u>
- *i. Pre-Construction Topography including approximate slopes and drainage patterns for the entire Facility/Project site to the receiving storm water drainage system (if applicable) or to the receiving State water(s) (with flow arrows). <u>See Plans</u>*
- *j.* During-Construction Topography (after major grading activities) including approximate slopes and drainage patterns for the entire Facility/Project site to the receiving storm water drainage system (if applicable) or to the receiving State water(s) (with flow arrows). <u>See K.</u>
- *k.* Post-Construction Topography including approximate slopes and drainage patterns for the entire Facility/Project site to the receiving storm water drainage system (if applicable) or to the receiving State water(s) (with flow arrows). <u>See Plans</u>

C.9 - Construction Schedule

Provide the following estimated dates:

The date when construction activity will begin. \_\_\_\_\_ January 2022\_\_\_\_

The date when each major construction activity begins. <u>See Schedule in Attachments</u> The date when the Notice of Cessation form will be submitted. <u>December 2023</u>

# Site Specific BMPs Plan Attachments

Attachment A - Project Site Maps and Construction Plans/Drawings (Section C.8)

PROJECT SITE MAPS, CONSTRUCTION PLANS/DRAWINGS

## STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAYS DIVISION DESIGN BRANCH **M E M O R A N D U M**

HWY-D 2.XXXX DATE: September 8, 2008

TO: HWY-C, -D, -L, -T, -O

FROM: HWY

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SUBJECT: WAIVER OF DETAILED PLAN REVIEW - LETTER OF AGREEMENT (LOA) BETWEEN HAWAII STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU (C&C) DATED AUGUST 12, 2008

By letter of agreement (Attachment A), the C&C has agreed not to conduct a detailed plan review for DOT-Highways projects requiring grading permits provided that DOT submits a self certification form (Attachment B) along with any required grading permit applications. This applies only to projects on Oahu that require grading permits.

Upon completion of design, the design Project Manager shall use Attachment C, <u>Typical Projects</u> not <u>Requiring Grading Permits</u> dated 8-20-08 and Attachment D, <u>Revised Ordinances of</u> <u>Honolulu</u> to determine whether if the project requires a grading permit or not.

If the project does not require a grading permit, no grading plan review by C&C is needed. However if a project requires a grading permit, the following shall be done:

- 1. The Project Manager shall complete Attachment B to be signed by the Section Head and Branch Head.
- 2. The signed original will be provided to HWY-OC's construction engineer prior to the preconstruction conference. A copy of this form will be kept in the design project file.
- 3. At the preconstruction meeting, this form will be provided to the construction contractor, who in turn, will provide this to the C&C when a grading permit is processed.

It should be noted that this specifically pertains to <u>grading plan review</u>. The possibility exists that your project may affect other C&C facilities such as sewer lines, waterlines, traffic signals, sidewalks, etc. While such work may not require a grading permit, these plans will still require review and approval by C&C.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Scot Urada, Design Branch Head at 692-7559.

Memo to HWY-C, -D, -L, -T, -O Page 2 September 8, 2008

## Attachment

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#### DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING

## CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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#### August 12, 2008

The Honorable Brennon T. Morioka, Ph. D., P. E., Director State of Hawaii Department of Transportation 869 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5097

Dear Dr. Morioka:

## Subject: Grading Plan Reviews for State DOT **Highways Division Projects**

This is in response to your letter of June 25, 2008 (HWY-D 2.816).

We agree that a detailed review of grading plans for Highways Division projects by our department is a duplication of government effort. Accordingly, as originally established by the former Department of Public Works on May 27, 1986 (14-0415), we will continue to process grading permits for those projects without our detailed plan reviews, subject to the DOT's compliance with all applicable codes, rules, regulations, and procedures.

With regard to the required DOT certifications that must be submitted with the grading permit applications, we have no objections to the use of the proposed certification form enclosed with your letter.

Should there be any questions, please contact our Civil Engineering Branch staff at 768-8215.

Very truly yours,

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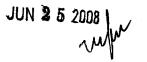
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ATTACHMENT A

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HWY-D 2.8186

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Mr. Henry Eng, Director Department of Planning and Permitting City and County of Honolulu 650 South King Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Eng:

Subject: Request for Non-Applicability of Detailed Plan Review for State Department of Transportation Highways (HDOT) projects

We request for the City & County of Honolulu's (City) continued concurrence that a detailed plan review is not required for projects submitted for grading permits. In 1986, the City and HDOT agreed that a detailed plan review was not required provided that HDOT submits with the grading permit application, "a statement certifying that the work has been reviewed and found in substantial compliance with the City's Grading Ordinance."

The rationale for the previous agreement was that during project development by HDOT, our design process already covers the intent of the City's grading ordinance and is in compliance with current State and Federal requirements. Thus another level of review by a different government agency would be a duplication of effort.

HDOT will continue to submit grading permits as required by Chapter 14, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu. Approved plan sheets will be furnished with the permit application.

HDOT is responsible to correct any deficiencies in erosion and sediment control, both during construction and post construction, and our field construction personnel are required to monitor, control and enforce erosion control procedures and Best Management Practices.

If agreeable, this request supersedes the City's letter 14-0415 dated May 27, 1986 and DOT's letter HWY-DD 2.90019 dated May 13, 1986. We look forward for a favorable consideration to this request to enable a cost and time efficient means to deliver transportation projects to Oahu's motorists.

Very truly yours,

BRENNON T. MORIOKA, Ph.D., P.E. Director of Transportation

Enclosures

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#### May 27, 1986

Mr. Wayne Y. Yamasaki, Director Department of Transportation State of Hawaii 869 Punchhowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Yamasaki:

Subject: Your Letter HWY-DD 2.90019, of May 13, 1986, Regarding Detailed Review of Highways Plans for <u>Conformance</u> to the <u>Grading Ordinance</u>

We generally concur in your belief that a detailed review of Highways Division plans by our Division of Engineering, for conformance to the requirements of Chapter 23 of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu (Grading Ordinance) constitutes a duplication of effort in carrying out the intent of the Ordinance.

Therefore, we are approving your request for an exemption from a detailed plan review providing that you meet the requirements stated in your subject letter and that you submit with the grading permit application a statement certifying that the work has been reviewed and found to be in substantial compliance with the City's Grading Ordinance.

Very truly yours, issell L. Smith JR.

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HWY-DD 2.90019

Mr. Russell L. Smith, Jr. Director and Chief Engineer Department of Public Works City and County of Honolulu Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Smith:

plans, developed by the Highways Division, State Department of Transportation (SDOT) are required to be approved by the City and County of Honolulu in accordance with the provisions ----of Chapter 23, Grading, Soil Erosion and Sediment Control of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1983 25 amended (Ordinance No...81-13), mbecause the Statewise not exempts from the provisions

After discussing the plan review process with your staff, we believe that the detailed review and approval of the Highways Division's plans is a duplication of effort by the City and State personnel in trying to carry out the intent of the City's grading ordinance. The Highways Division, in their plan development, must meet similar requirements listed in the Grading Ordinance and additionally must meet the following applicable State and Federal requirements:

#### State:

Environmental Impact Statement Regulation (Chapter 343, HRS)

Conservation District Use Application

Hawaii Coastal zone Management Program (ECZMP)

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#### Federal:

Water Pollution Control Act

Clean Water Act

Safe Drinking Water

Flood Control Act

Farmland Protection Act

As the Director of Transportation, I approve all plans, thereby, signifying that all applicable requirements have been complied with and in the case of federal aid projects, the Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration also signs the plans for compliance.

We, therefore, request that an exemption be granted for the Highways Division, SDOT, from the detailed plan review and approval process of the grading ordinance.

However, we will continue to submit applications for grading permits as required by the ordinance. We will also furnish signed copies of the plans and the accompanying special provisions with the application. The City can then issue the grading permit subject to appropriate conditions desired by the City.

> Regarding highway projects, the SDOT is responsible to correct any deficiencies in erosion and sediment control and further, our field personnel are required to monitor, control and enforce our temporary erosion control procedures that are specified in Section 639 - "Temporary Project Water Pollution Control (Soil Erosion)" of the Hawaii Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

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Mr. Russell L. Smith, Jr. Page 3 May 13 1991

I sincerely hope that a favorable consideration is given to our request for an exemption from the detailed plan review and approval process so that we may expedite projects which benefit Oahu's motorists.

Very truly yours,

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To:	Department of Planning and Permitting			
	City & County of Honolulu			
	650 South King Street, 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor			
	Honolulu, Hawaii 96813			

Attention: Permitting & Inspection Section

From: State of Hawaii Department of Transportation Highways Division 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 688A Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Subject: Non applicability for Detailed Plan review for projects requiring Grading Permits:

Project No: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title:\_\_\_\_\_

TMK No(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Detailed plan review and approval for the above project by the City & County of Honolulu is not applicable for the reasons stated in the HWY-D letter no. 2.8186 dated June 25, 2008 and as agreed with in DPP Letter 2008/ELOG-1912 dated August 12, 2008.

We certify that the work has been reviewed and is found to be in compliance with Chapter 14, Articles 13, 14 & 15 as amended, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu.

The Department of Transportation and/or its consultant have reviewed the City & County of Honolulu Rules Relating to Soil Erosion Standards and Guidelines (Guidelines) and the attached Erosion Control Plan and related documents have been prepared in accordance with the referenced Guidelines.

For questions regarding this matter, please contact Scot Urada at 692-7559, Engineering Program Manager, Design Branch, Highways Division.

Project Manager:		Date:	
, ,	Print name		
Section Head:		Date:	
	signature		
Branch Head:		Date:	
	signature		

ATTACHMENT B

Typical projects not requiring Grading Permits (for DOT's use only to determine non-applicability)

	Project Type	Typical Scope of Work
1	Pavement Preservation and	Application of chip seal, slurry seal, cold plane and
	Maintenance (PPM)	replace up to 1-1/2 inches of asphalt.
2	Road Resurfacing	Cut and replace asphalt, place more than 1-1/2 inches
	_	of asphalt, ultra thin white topping
3	Road Rehabilitation	Demolition and replacement of PCC, removal and repair and replacement of entire pavement section
		including PCC or AC and underlying pavement
		structure materials.
4	Electrical, water, sewer,	Trenching, removal and/or installation of conduits or
	drainage, communication or	pipes, trench backfill, and patching.
	other utility installation or	
	relocations	
5	Traffic Signal Modernization	Trenching, installation of electrical and communication
	and/or Installation	conduits, backfill, patching, replacement of traffic signal
		hardware, installation of poles & mast arms, augering
		and placement of concrete foundations, placement of
6	Lighting Improvements	small concrete pads for electrical equipment.
6	Lighting Improvements	Trenching, installation of electrical conduits, backfill,
		patching, augering and placement of concrete light
		foundations, placement of small concrete pads for electrical transformers and equipment.
7	Guardrail and Shoulder	Excavation for shoulder pavement section, install
1	Improvements	concrete sidewalks and wheel chair ramps, guardrails
	Improvements	and end treatments, relocating street lights, grading to
		"shape" shoulder areas.
8	Intersection Improvements	Installation of pavement structures & sidewalks; minor
Ŭ		grading and/or shaping; sometimes installation of traffic
		signal facilities and installation of electrical and
		communication conduits.
9	Landscape Improvements	Installation of trees, shrubs, irrigation facilities and
		other architectural features.
10	Retaining Walls or Sound Walls	Excavation and backfill for footings and walls.
11	Rockfall Protection	Installation of anchors, restraining or containment
		mesh, restraining or energy absorbing fencing. Slope
		scaling and removal of boulders.
12	Drainage Improvements	Trenching and replacement of drainage pipes,
-		installation of catchment, inlet or outlet structures,
		installation of AC or concrete berms or curbs,
		installation of concrete gutters. Earth or lined ditches
	1	and/or swales.

Exclusions (Section 14, Article 13.5, ROH)

- 1. *Excavation* which does not alter the general drainage pattern with respect to abutting properties, which does not exceed 50 cubic yards of materials on any one site, and does not exceed three feet in vertical height at its deepest point; provided that the cut meets the cut slopes and distance from property lines requirement in Section 14-15.1, ROH (attachment D).
- 2. Fill which does not alter the general drainage pattern with respect to abutting properties, which does not exceed 50 cubic yards of materials on any one site, and does not exceed three feet in vertical height at its deepest point; provided that the cut meets the cut slopes and distance from property lines requirement in Section 14-15.1, ROH.
- 3. Grubbing that does not alter the general drainage pattern with respect to abutting properties and does not exceed a total of 15,000 square feet.

the corrective measures to be taken. Grading operations shall cease until corrective measures satisfactory to the chief engineer have been taken. In addition, whenever the work is not being done in conformance with a NPDES permit, the state department of health will be notified.

(Sec. 23-2.9, R.O. 1978 (1983 Ed.); Am. Ord. 92-122)

#### Article 15. Grading, Grubbing and Stockpiling

#### Sections:

#### 14-15.1 Conditions of permit.

14-15.2 Special requirements.

#### Sec. 14-15.1 Conditions of permit.

The requirements of subsections (a), (b) and (c) may be modified by the director of planning and permitting based on the engineer's soils report and engineering slope hazard report.

(a) Height. Where a cut or fill is greater than 15 feet in height, terraces or benches shall be constructed at vertical intervals of 15 feet except that where only one bench is required, it shall be at the midpoint. The minimum width of such terraces or benches shall be at least eight feet and provided with drainage provisions to control erosion on the slope face and bench surface.

(b) Cut Slopes. Under the following soil conditions, no cut may be steeper in slope than the ratio of its horizontal to its vertical distance as shown below:

(1) One-half horizontal to one vertical in unweathered rock or mudrock;

(2) One horizontal to one vertical in decomposed rock;

(3) One and one-half horizontal to one vertical in soils of low plasticity, cuts of any height in highly plastic soils shall be as recommended in the applicable report.

(c) Fill Slopes. Fills shall not be steeper than a ratio of two horizontal to one vertical except that fill using highly plastic clays shall have slopes as recommended in the applicable report.

(d) Distance from property line. The horizontal distance from the top of a cut slope or the bottom of a fill slope to the adjoining property line shall not be less than as follows:

## Distance from Property Height of Cut or Fill Line (in feet)

Zero feet to 4 feet2More than 4 feet to 8 feet4More than 8 feet to 15 feet6More than 15 feet8

These requirements may be modified by the director of planning and permitting when cuts or fills are supported by retaining walls or when the permittee submits an engineer's soils report or engineering slope hazard report stating that the soil conditions will permit a lesser horizontal distance without causing damage or danger to the adjoining property. (e) Area Opened. The maximum-sized parcel of land that may be opened for grading or grubbing is 15 acres. Noncontiguous increments may be worked concurrently provided no single parcel exceeds 15 acres, provided the work is in conformance with the NPDES permit. The area of land that may be opened may be reduced by the director of planning and



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permitting to control pollution and minimize storm damage. However, if soils, hydrologic, climatic and construction conditions warrant, and adequate erosion prevention measures have been taken, the director of planning and permitting may authorize additional area to be opened. Additional area may not be opened for grading or grubbing until measures to prevent dust or erosion problems in the area already graded or grubbed have been undertaken to the satisfaction of the director.

(f) Fills. The requirements of subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) may be modified by the director of planning and permitting if the permittee submits an engineer's soils report recommending criteria for the proposed fill for its intended use.

(1) Fill material shall be selected to meet the requirements and conditions of the particular fill for which it is to be used. The fill material shall not contain vegetation or organic matter. Where rocks, concrete, or similar materials of greater than eight inches in diameter are incorporated into the fill, they shall be placed in accordance with the recommendation of a soils engineer.

(2) Preparation of Ground Surface. Before placing or stockpiling, the natural ground surface shall be prepared by removing the vegetation and, if required by the director of planning and permitting, shall be notched by a series of benches and/or subsurface drains installed. No fill shall be placed over any water spring, marsh, refuse dump, nor upon a soft, soggy or springy foundation; provided, that this requirement may be waived by the director of planning and permitting if the permittee submits an engineer's soils report recommending criteria for the fill.

(3) Placement and Compaction. Fill materials shall be spread and compacted in a series of eight-inch to 10-inch layers when compacted, unless otherwise recommended by the soils engineer. Except for slopes, the fill shall be compacted to 90 percent of maximum density as determined by the most recent ASTM soil compaction test D1557 unless the engineer's soils report justifies a lesser degree of compaction, or unless otherwise recommended by the soils engineer.

(g) Vegetation. Whenever feasible, natural vegetation should be retained by becoming part of the erosion control plan during construction or part of the permanent landscaping plan if applicable. If it is necessary that vegetation be removed, trees, timber, plants, shrubbery and other woody vegetation, after being uprooted, displaced or dislodged from the ground by excavation, clearing or grubbing, shall not be stored or deposited along the banks of any stream, river or natural watercourse. After being uprooted, displaced or dislodged, such vegetation shall be disposed of by means approved in writing by the director of planning and permitting or removed from the site within a reasonable time, but not to exceed three months.

(h) Drainage Provisions. Adequate provisions shall be made to prevent surface waters from damaging the cut face of an excavation or the sloped surfaces of a fill. Positive drainage shall be provided to prevent the accumulation or retention of surface water in pits, gullies, holes or similar depressions. All drainage facilities shall be designed to carry surface waters to a street, storm drain inlet or natural watercourse and shall include an erosion and sedimentation control plan to prevent sediment-laden runoff from leaving the site, either during or following construction. The director of planning and permitting may require such detention or retention drainage structures and pipes to be constructed or installed, which in the director's opinion, are necessary to prevent erosion damage, prevent sediment-laden runoff from leaving the site, and to satisfactorily carry off surface waters. The flow of any existing and known natural underground drainage shall not be impeded or changed so as to cause damage to adjoining property.

(i) Debris Prohibited. No person shall perform any grading operation so as to cause falling rocks, soil or debris in any form to fall, slide or flow onto adjoining properties, streets or natural watercourses.

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(j) Work Days. No grading work shall be done on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays at any time without prior notice to the director of planning and permitting, provided such grading work is also in conformance with Hawaii Administrative Rules, Chapter 11-43, "Community Noise Control for Oahu."

(k) Dust Control. All work areas within and without the actual grading area shall be maintained free from dust which will cause a nuisance or hazard to others and in conformance with the air pollution control standards contained in Hawaii Administrative Rules, Chapter 11-60, "Air Pollution Control."

(1) Water Quality Standards. All grading operations authorized under Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter shall be performed in conformance with the applicable provisions of the water pollution control and water quality standards contained in Hawaii Administrative Rules, Chapter 11-55, "Water Pollution Control" and Chapter 11-54, "Water Quality Standards" and if applicable, the NPDES permit for the project. Any dewatering discharge into state waters will require an NPDES permit from the department of health under Chapter 11-55, "Water Pollution Control." Any dewatering discharge into the city-owned storm sewer system will require a construction dewatering permit from the director of planning and permitting and an NPDES permit for the discharge of any pollutant into state waters through the city-owned storm sewer system from the department of health, State of Hawaii. (m) Notification of Completion. The permittee or the permittee's agent shall notify the director of planning and permitting or the director's representative when the grading operation is ready for final inspection. Final approval shall not be given until completion of all work including installation of all drainage structures and their protective devices. completion of all planting showing a healthy growth in conformance with the approved plans and specifications, and the required reports have been submitted.

(n) Report After Grading.

(1) When grading involves cuts or fills for which an engineer's soils report was required, the permittee shall submit a

final report, prepared by an engineer, upon the completion of such work. This report shall contain:

(A) A description of materials used in the fill and its moisture content at the time of compaction, the

procedure used in depositing and compacting the fill, the preparation of original ground surface before

making the fill, but not limited to benching and subsurface drainage, and a plan or tabulation showing the

general location and elevation of compaction tests made in the fill together with a tabulation of relative

compaction densities obtained at each location, the location of subdrains and other pertinent features of

the fill necessary for its stability.

(B) A certification that the work was done in conformity to this chapter, the approved plans and

specifications and the engineer's soils report.

(2) Where a slope hazard evaluation and mitigation plan was required to be submitted with a grading permit

application, the permittee shall submit a final assessment report, prepared by an engineer, upon the completion of

site work, prior to building construction. The assessment report shall contain a verification that the prevention

measures and any stabilization measures called for in the engineering slope hazard report or construction plans

were done in conformity with this chapter, and the approved plans and specifications.
(o) As-Graded Plan. Upon completion of grading areas over one acre or areas graded under subdivision rules, an as-graded plan prepared by an engineer or land surveyor shall be submitted if required by the director of planning and permitting.
(Sec. 23-3.1, R.O. 1978 (1983 Ed.); Am. Ord 92-122, 04-27)

#### Sec. 14-15.2 Special requirements.

(a) Any person performing or causing to be performed any excavation or fill shall, at such person's own expense, provide the necessary means to prevent the movement of earth of the adjoining properties, to protect the improvements thereon, and to maintain the existing natural grade of adjoining properties.

(b) Any person performing or causing to be performed, any excavation or fill shall be responsible for the maintenance or restoration of street pavements, sidewalks and curbs, and improvements of public utilities which may be affected. The maintenance or restoration of street pavements, sidewalks and curbs shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of the City and County of Honolulu and the maintenance and restoration of improvements of public utilities shall be in conformity with the standards of the public utility companies affected. At cuts fronting any street, a suitable and adequate barrier shall be installed to provide protection to the public.

(c) Any person depositing or causing to be deposited, any silt or other debris in ditches, watercourses, drainage facilities and public roadways, shall remove such silt or other debris. In case such person shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of this section within 48 hours after written notice, served upon such person, either by mail or by personal service, the chief engineer may proceed to remove the silt and other debris or to take any other action the chief engineer deems appropriate. The costs incurred for any action taken by the chief engineer shall be payable by such person.

(d) At any stage of the grading, grubbing or stockpiling work, if the chief engineer finds that further work as authorized by an existing permit is likely to create soil erosion problems or to endanger any life, limb or property, the chief engineer may require safety precautions, which may include but shall not be limited to the construction of flatter exposed slopes, the construction of additional silting or sediment basins, drainage facilities or benches; the removal of rocks, boulders, debris and other dangerous objects which, if dislodged, are likely to cause injury or damage; the construction of fences or other suitable protective barriers; or may refer to the local soil and water conservation district for advice from the soil conservation service or other appropriate agencies on the planting or sodding of slopes and bare areas. All planted or sodded areas shall be maintained. An irrigation system or watering facilities may be required by the chief engineer.

(e) At any stage of the grading, grubbing or stockpiling operations, if the chief engineer finds that further work as authorized by an existing permit is likely to create dust problems which may jeopardize health, property or the public welfare, the chief engineer may require additional dust control precautions and, if these additional precautions are not effective in controlling dust, may stop all operations. These additional dust control measures may include such items as sprinkling water, applying mulch treated with bituminous material, or applying hydro mulch.

(f) Hillside lots shall be graded in such a manner that any parcels which may be created therefrom, including all separate building sites which may be contained within said parcels, can be satisfactorily graded and developed as individual building sites. (Sec. 23-3.2, R.O. 1978 (1983 Ed.))

#### Article 16. Violations, Penalties and Liabilities for Grading, Grubbing and

## Stockpiling

#### Sections:

- 14-16.1 General.
- 14-16.2 Notice of violation--Stop work.
- 14-16.3 Criminal prosecution.
- 14-16.4 Administrative enforcement.
- 14-16.5 Liability.
- 14-16.6 Rule-making powers.
- 14-16.7 Decisions of the chief engineer.

#### Sec. 14-16.1 General.

It is unlawful for any person to do any act forbidden, or to fail to perform any act required, by the provisions of Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter. Whenever a corporation violates any of the provisions of Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter, the violation shall be deemed to be also that of the individual directors, officers or agents of the corporation who in their capacity as directors, officers or agents of such corporation have authorized, ordered or done any of the acts constituting in whole or in part such violation. (Sec. 23-4.1, R.O. 1978 (1983 Ed.); Am. Ord. 90-71)

## Sec. 14-16.2 Notice of violation--Stop work.

(a) Whenever any person, firm or corporation violates any provision of Articles 13 throught 16 of this chapter, the chief engineer shall serve the person, firm or corporation with a notice of violation which shall require the person, firm or corporation responsible to correct the violation.

(b) The notice of violation shall include but not be limited to the following information:

(1) The date of issuance of the notice;

(2) The name and address of the person or entity notified and the location of the violation;

(3) The section number of the ordinance, code or rule which has been violated;

- (4) The nature of the violation; and
- (5) An order to stop work if deemed necessary by the chief engineer; and
- (6) The deadline for correction of the violation.

(c) If the chief engineer deems it necessary for work to stop, the work shall cease upon receipt of the notice and shall not resume until corrective measures satisfactory to the chief engineer have been taken. If the notice includes a stop work order, the chief engineer shall notify and transmit a copy to the chief of police concurrently with the issuance of the notice. The chief of police shall have the power to enforce the stop work order pursuant to Section 6-1604, Revised Charter of Honolulu, 1973, as amended.

(Added by Ord. 90-71; Am. Ord. 91-07)

#### Sec. 14-16.3 Criminal prosecution.

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any provisions of this chapter is committed and, upon conviction of any such violation, such person shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both fine and imprisonment. (Added by Ord. 90-71)

## Sec. 14-16.4 Administrative enforcement.

(a) In lieu of or in addition to enforcement pursuant to Section 14-16.3, if the chief engineer determines that any person, firm or corporation is not complying with a notice of violation, the chief engineer may issue an order to the person or entity responsible for the violation, pursuant to this section.

(b) Contents of Order.

(1) The order may require the party responsible for the violation to do any or all of the following:

(A) Correct the violation within the time specified in the order;

(B) Upon compliance with the provisions of HRS Chapter 91, pay a civil fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 in the manner, at the place and time specified in the order; and

(C) Upon compliance with the provisions of HRS Chapter 91, pay a civil fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 per day for each day in which the violation occurs, in the manner and at the time and place specified in the order.

(2) The order shall advise the party responsible for the violation that the order shall become final 30 calendar days after the date of its delivery.

(c) Judicial Enforcement of Order. The chief engineer may institute a civil action in any court of competent jurisdiction for the enforcement of any order issued pursuant to this section. Where the civil action has been instituted to enforce the civil fine imposed by said order, the chief engineer need only show that the notice of violation and order were served, that a civil fine was imposed, the amount of the civil fine imposed and that the fine imposed has not been paid.

(Added by Ord. 90-71)

#### Sec. 14-16.5 Liability.

The provisions of Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter shall not be construed to relieve or alleviate the liability of any person for damages resulting from performing, or causing to be performed, any grading, grubbing or stockpiling operation. The city, its officers and employees shall be free from any liability, cost or damage which may accrue from any grading, grubbing or stockpiling or any work connected therewith, authorized by Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter. (Sec. 23-4.2, R.O. 1978 (1983 Ed.); Am. Ord. 90-71)

#### Sec. 14-16.6 Rule-making powers.

The chief engineer shall be empowered to promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to HRS Chapter 91, for the implementation of the provisions of Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter. (Sec. 23-4.3, R.O. 1978 (1983 Ed.); Am. Ord. 90-71)

## Sec. 14-16.7 Decisions of the chief engineer.

Decisions of the chief engineer made in accordance with the provisions of Articles 13 through 16 of this chapter, and/or decisions involving variations from the standards referred to herein shall be made a matter of record in the permit file. (Sec. 23-4.4, R.O. 1978 (1983 Ed.); Am. Ord. 90-71)

#### Article 17. Excavation and Repairs of Streets and Sidewalks

#### Sections:

- 14-17.1 Permit required--Application--Insurance--Bond--Permit fee.
- 14-17.2 Notice of commencement, prosecution of work and inspection.
- 14-17.3 Trench excavation, backfill and pavement restoration.
- 14-17.4 Repairs by city.