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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,


Henry Eng, FAICP, Director
Department of Planning and Permitting

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JUN 25 2008

Mr. Henry Eng, Director
Department of Planning and Permitting
City and County of Honolulu
650 South King Street, 7th 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."

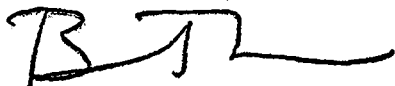
The rationale for the previous agreement was that during project development by HDOT, our design process already covers the intent of the City's grading ordinance and is in compliance with current State and Federal requirements. Thus another level of review by a different government agency would be a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

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DIRECTOR AND CHIEF ENGINEER

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May 27, 1986

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

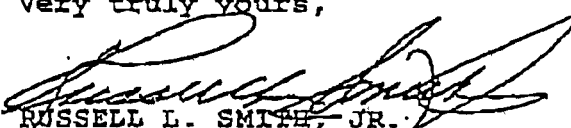
Dear Mr. Yamasaki:

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

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,


RUSSELL L. SMITH, JR.
Director and Chief Engineer

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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), because the State is not exempt from the provisions of the ordinance.

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 (HCZMP)

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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.

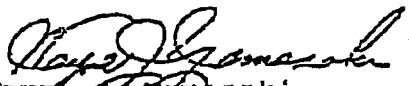
Regarding highway projects, the SDOT is responsible to correct any deficiencies in erosion and sediment control and further, our field personnel are required to monitor, control and enforce our temporary erosion control procedures that are specified in Section 639 - "Temporary Project Water Pollution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

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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,


Wayne A. Yamasaki
Director of Transportation

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