

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
Land Division  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

January 9, 2026

Board of Land and Natural Resources  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

PSF No.: 25HD-047

HAWAII

Withdrawal of 27,290 square feet from Governor's Executive Order No. 3774 and Withdrawal of 1,753 square feet from Governor's Executive Order No. 3775, to be Reset Aside to the County of Hawaii for Bridge and Roadway Purposes, Piihonua, South Hilo, Hawaii; TMK: (3) 2-3-026: portions of 005 & 009.

CONTROLLING AGENCY:

County of Hawaii.

APPLICANT:

County of Hawaii.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Sections 171-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), as amended.

LOCATION:

Portions of Government lands situated at Piihonua, South Hilo, Hawaii; TMK: (3) 2-3-026: portions of 005 & 009, as shown on the attached **Exhibit A**.

AREAS:

TMK: (3) 2-3-026: portion of 005 consisting of 16,706 sf., more or less, for Bridge Purposes and 10,584 sf., more or less, for Roadway Purposes.

TMK: (3) 2-3-026: portion of 009 consisting of 1,753 sf., more or less, for Roadway Purposes.

ZONING:

(3) 2-3-026:005:

State Land Use District: Urban  
County of Hawaii Zoning: RS-10 and Open

(3) 2-3-026:009:

State Land Use District: Urban  
County of Hawaii Zoning: Open

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(b) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act

DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: NO

CURRENT USE STATUS:

TMK: (3) 2-3-026:005 is encumbered by Governor's Executive Order No. 3774 to the County of Hawaii, for Gilbert Carvalho Park site purposes.

TMK: (3) 2-3-026:009 is encumbered by Governor's Executive Order No. 3775 to the County of Hawaii, for Reservoir site purposes.

PURPOSE OF PROPOSED SET ASIDES:

Withdrawal of 16,706 sf. from Governor's Executive Order No. 3774 for bridge modernization purposes and withdrawal of an additional 10,584 sf. for roadway purposes.

Withdrawal of 1,753 sf. from Governor's Executive Order No. 3775 for roadway purposes.

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Sections 11-200.1-15 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources reviewed and concurred on by the Environmental Council on November 10, 2020, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to:

**General Exemption Type 2:** *"Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located generally on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose, capacity, density,*

*height, and dimensions as the structure replaced.”*

**Part 1, Item 11:** *“Replacement or reconstruction of existing bridges and flumes;”*  
and

**Part 1, Item 18:** *“Replacement or reconstruction of existing roadways, roadway shoulders, road structures and signage, parking areas, walkways, bikeways, multi-use pathways, driveways, and boat launch ramps.”*

As the proposed action involves retrofitting an existing bridge and road and the widening will promote safer use of the bridge and road by both vehicles and pedestrians; Staff does not anticipate any negative impacts from this action and believes this action should be declared exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment and the requirements of § 11-200.1-17, HAR as a de minimis action.

#### APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

1. Process and obtain subdivision at Applicant's own cost.
2. Provide survey maps and descriptions according to State DAGS standards at Applicant's own cost.

#### REMARKS:

Governor's Executive Order No. 3774 (EO 3774), executed on April 14, 1999, set aside 15.789 acres, to the County of Hawaii, for Gilbert Carvalho Park Site purposes. Governor's Executive Order No. 3775 (EO 3775), executed on May 26, 1999, set aside 4.211 acres, to the County of Hawaii, for Reservoir Site purposes.

The County of Hawaii is modernizing and retrofitting the Waianuenu Avenue bridge, which is located near the southwestern end of the park site. The project will include hardening the bridge for seismic events and widening the existing bridge on the downstream side to allow for safer vehicle and pedestrian use of both sides of the roadway, including telephone pole relocations. This widening requires utilizing a small portion of the land set aside as park. The project will be partially funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) under the Hazard Mitigation Grants Program due to the importance of this bridge in relation to providing access to the Hilo Hospital facilities just north of this project.

The County of Hawaii is also widening the roadway along Waianuenu Avenue approaching the bridge and fronting the park and reservoir sites. The roadway widening will include a 10-foot-wide paved shoulder along Waianuenu Avenue, providing pedestrians and bicyclists with a safer and more convenient means of

travel along the route. This requires utilizing a narrow strip of lands set aside as park and reservoir sites.

The bridge and roadway widening projects are not permitted uses under the current set asides. Thus, the County of Hawaii is requesting the above-mentioned withdrawals from EO 3774 and EO 3775 and issuance of a new Governor’s Executive Order setting aside the withdrawn areas to the County of Hawaii for bridge and roadway purposes.

A draft of this submittal was sent to the following agencies for comments:

Agency	Response/Comments
State of Hawaii	
Commission on Water Resource Management (CWRM)	See comments below
Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL)	No response
Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA)	No objections
Department of Health	No comments
County of Hawaii	
Department of Planning	No response
Department of Public Works	No response
Department of Parks and Recreation	No response

CWRM recommended using best management practices (BMP) for stormwater management during course of project. CWRM also recommended that subject submittal be reviewed by the State Department of Health (DOH).

Staff consulted with the DOH who had no comments on the proposed action.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board, subject to Applicant fulfilling the Applicant Requirements above:

1. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200.1, HAR, this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment as a de minimis action.
2. Approve of and recommend to the Governor, withdrawal of 27,290 square feet from Governor’s Executive Order No. 3774 and subject to the following:
  - A. The standard terms and conditions of the most current Executive

- Order form, as may be amended from time to time;
- B. Disapproval by the Legislature by two-thirds vote of either the House of Representatives or the Senate or by a majority vote by both in any regular or special session next following the date of the setting aside;
  - C. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General; and
  - D. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.
3. Approve and recommend to the Governor and withdrawal of 1,753 square feet from Governor's Executive Order No. 3775 and subject to the following:
- A. The standard terms and conditions of the most current Executive Order form, as may be amended from time to time;
  - B. Disapproval by the Legislature by two-thirds vote of either the House of Representatives or the Senate or by a majority vote by both in any regular or special session next following the date of the setting aside;
  - C. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General; and
  - D. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.
4. Approve and recommend to the Governor the issuance of an executive order setting aside the subject land to the County of Hawaii for Bridge and Roadway Purposes, under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following.
- A. The standard terms and conditions of the most current Executive Order form, as may be amended from time to time;
  - B. Disapproval by the Legislature by two-thirds vote of either the House of Representatives or the Senate or by a majority vote by both in any regular or special session next following the date of the setting aside;
  - C. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General; and
  - D. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Pua Ishibashi,  
Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

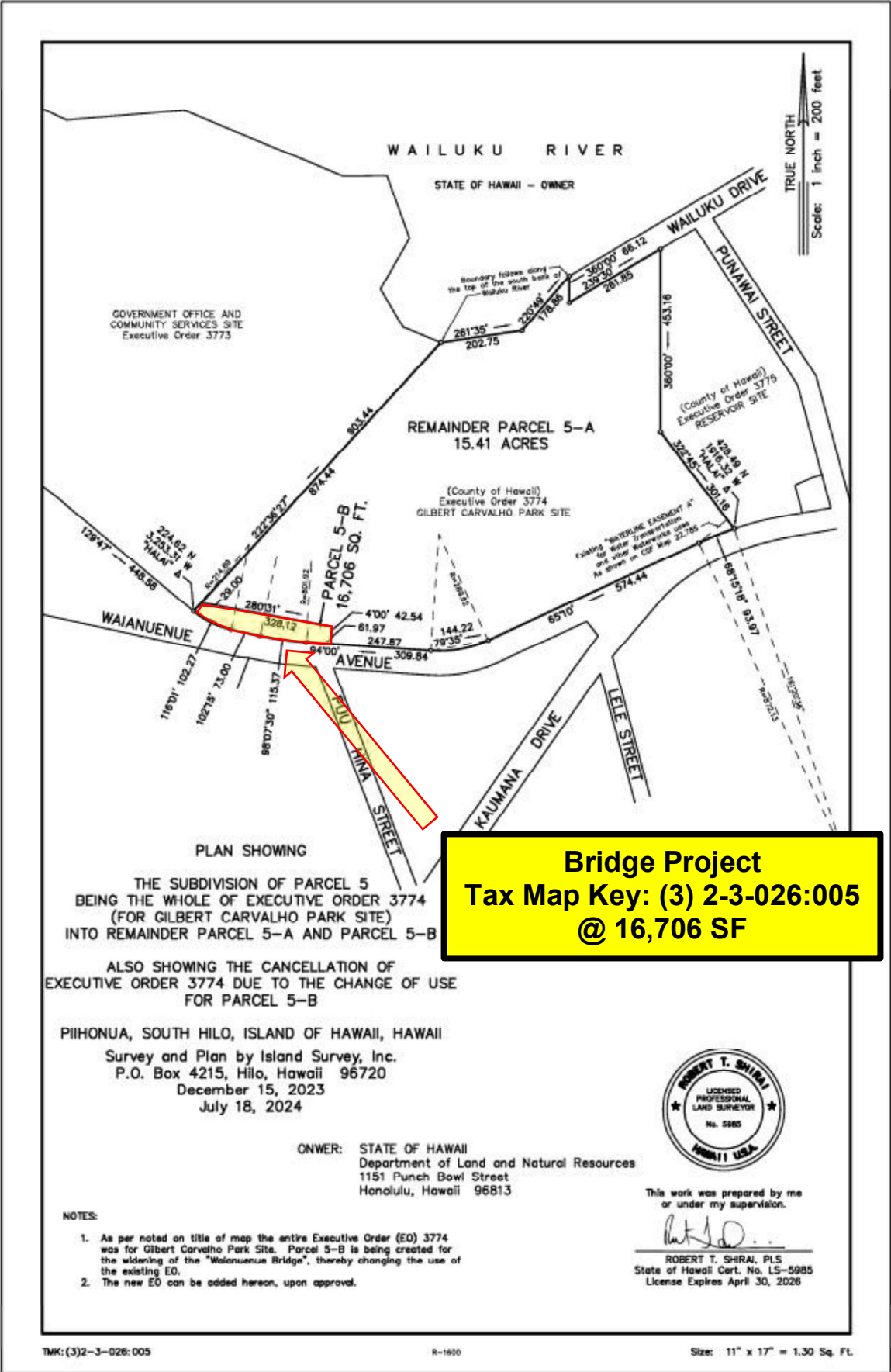


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Dawn N. S. Chang,  
Chairperson

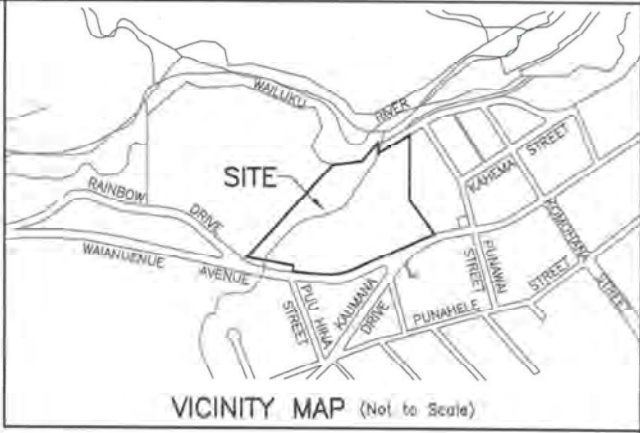






**EXHIBIT A**

**Roadway Project  
Along Waianuenue Ave.  
TMK: (3) 2-3-026:005  
@ 10,584 SF**



ENGINEERING DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS COUNTY OF HAWAII

SUBMITTED BY:  
*Alan K. Young* DATE 10/20/2025  
DIVISION CHIEF

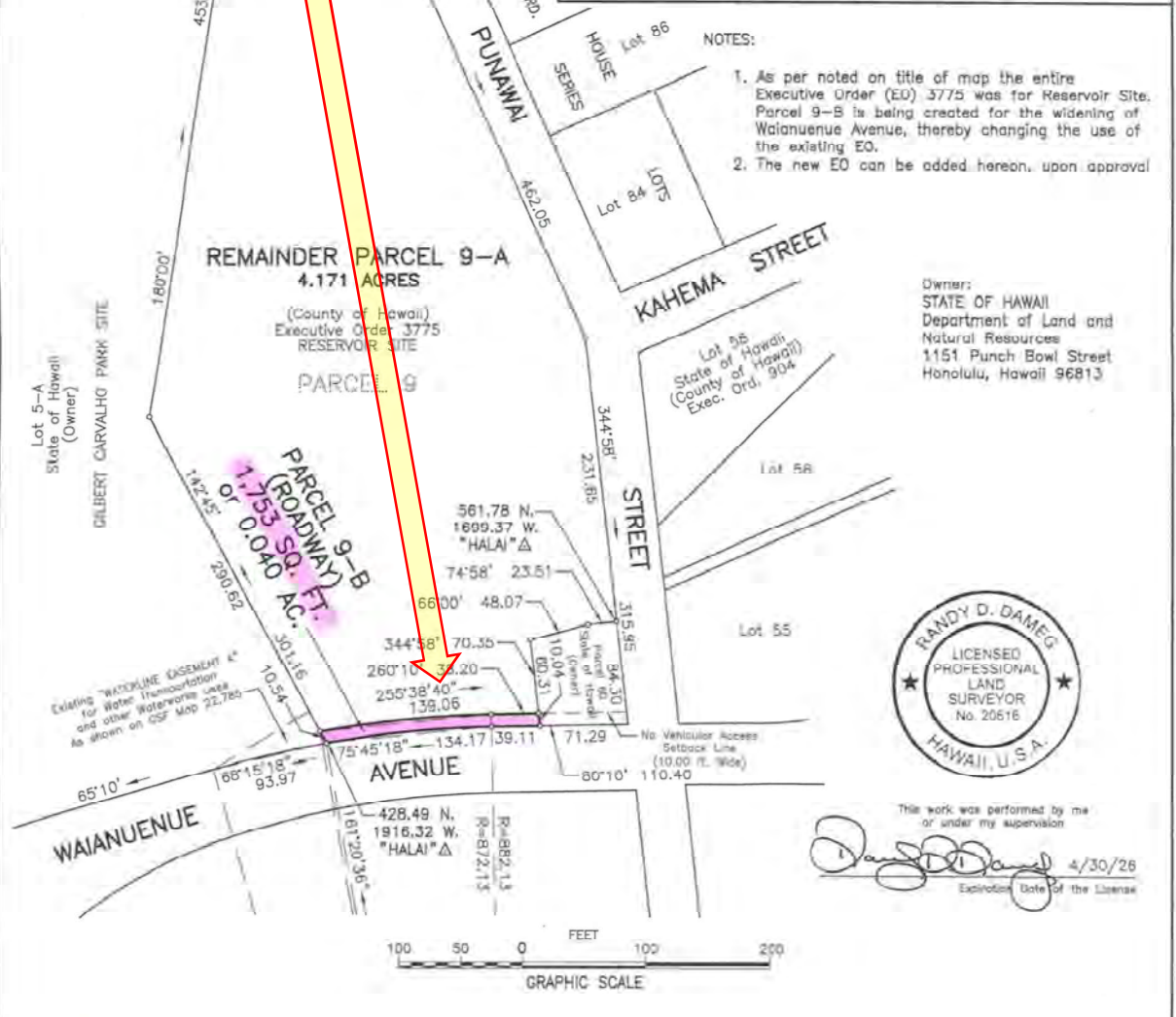
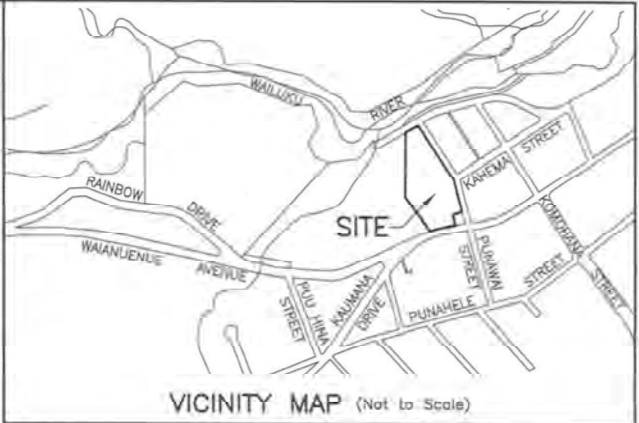
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*[Signature]* DATE 10/23/2025  
DIRECTOR

PLAN SHOWING  
THE SUBDIVISION OF LOT 5-A  
(Gilbert Carvalho Park Site)  
INTO REMAINDER LOT 5-A-1 AND  
LOT 5-A-2 (ROADWAY)  
Piipihonua, South Hilo, Island of Hawaii, Hawaii

PLAN BY: R.D. DRAWN BY: R.D. DATE: 10/20/25

**EXHIBIT A**

**Roadway Project  
Along Waianuenue Ave.  
TMK: (3) 2-3-026:009  
@ 1,753 SF**



- NOTES:
1. As per noted on title of map the entire Executive Order (EO) 3775 was for Reservoir Site. Parcel 9-B is being created for the widening of Waianuenue Avenue, thereby changing the use of the existing EO.
  2. The new EO can be added hereon, upon approval

Owner:  
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SUBMITTED BY:  
*Alan K. Thompson* DATE 10/20/2025  
DIVISION CHIEF

APPROVED BY:  
*[Signature]* DATE 10/23/2025  
DIRECTOR

**PLAN SHOWING  
SUBDIVISION OF PARCEL 9  
Being the Whole of Executive Order 3775  
INTO REMAINDER PARCELS 9-A AND  
9-B (ROADWAY)**  
Also Showing the Cancellation of  
Executive Order 3775 due to the change of use  
for Parcel 9-B  
Pihonua, South Hilo, Island of Hawaii, Hawaii

PLAN BY: R.D. DRAWN BY: R.D. DATE: 10/20/25