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State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

ISSUANCE OF A REVOCABLE PERMIT FOR AIRCRAFT PARKING  
MAUNA LOA HELICOPTER TOURS LLC  
LIHUE AIRPORT  
TAX MAP KEY: (4) 3-5-001: PORTION OF 008

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REQUEST:

Issuance of a Revocable Permit for rotary-wing Aircraft Parking (Parking Permit) to Mauna Loa Helicopter Tours LLC, situated at Lihue Airport.

APPLICANT:

Mauna Loa Helicopter Tours LLC, whose mailing address is 73-310 Uu Street, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Sections 261-7 and 171-2, as amended.

LOCATION AND TAX MAP KEY:

Portion of Lihue Airport (LIH), Lihue, Island of Kauai, identified by Tax Map Key: 4th Division, 3-5-001: portion of 008.

AREA:

Area/Space No. 413-102, containing an area of approximately 962 square feet, as shown and delineated on the attached Exhibit A.

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ZONING:

State Land Use District: Urban  
County of Kauai: Industrial General/Special Treatment-Public Use (IG/ST-P)

LAND TITLE STATUS:

Section 5(a) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act: Non-Ceded  
DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to Hawaii Admission Act YES\_\_\_ NO X

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Land presently encumbered by Governor's Executive Order No. 4614, dated October 28, 2019, setting aside 883.583 acres designated as LIH to be under the control and management of the State of Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) for Airport purposes.

CHARACTER OF USE:

Aircraft tie-down (Robinson R44, Tail No. N31551) to support helicopter tour operations.

COMMENCEMENT DATE:

To be determined by the Director of Transportation at a later date.

MONTHLY RENTAL:

\$130.00 (as determined from the HDOT Schedule of Rates and Charges established by appraisal of Airports property statewide).

SECURITY DEPOSIT:

\$390.00, or three times the monthly rental in effect.

DCCA VERIFICATION:

Place of business registration confirmed:	YES <u>X</u>	NO ___
Registered business name confirmed:	YES <u>X</u>	NO ___
Good standing confirmed:	YES <u>X</u>	NO ___

CHAPTER 343, HRS - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The HDOT has determined that the environmental impacts of the proposed land use are exempted under HDOT's Exemption List, reviewed and concurred to by the Environmental Advisory Council on February 1, 2022, under Type 8, Part 1, (8) h. Creation or extension of leases, revocable permits or easements of property for continuing aeronautical or maritime uses or complementary purposes.

REMARKS:

The HDOT proposes to issue a month-to-month parking permit to Mauna Loa Helicopter Tours LLC, for aircraft tie-down to support helicopter tour operations.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on this submittal, and testimony and facts presented, the HDOT recommends the Director of Transportation finds that approving the issuance of a month-to-month parking permit to Mauna Loa Helicopter Tours LLC, including its conditions and rent, will serve the best interests of the State.

Respectfully submitted,



CURT T. OTAGURO

Deputy Director of Transportation for Airports

Attachment

