



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, HONOLULU DISTRICT  
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November 20, 2025

SUBJECT: Nationwide Permit Verification for HDOT, Bridge Replacement, Waiulaula Stream, Kamuela, Island of Hawaii, Hawaii Department of the Army File No. POH-2024-00194

Lawrence Dill  
Hawaii Department of Transportation-Highways  
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Dear Mr. Dill:

The Honolulu District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Regulatory Office has completed review of your Pre-Construction Notification requesting authorization for the temporary placement of fill for construction access for the replacement of Waiaka Bridge at TMK 3-6-6-004-999, in the HDOT Right of Way near the intersection of Kawaihae Road and Kohala Mountain Road, Waimea, Island of Hawaii, Hawaii (20.026677°, -155.698862°). Please reference Department of the Army (DA) file number POH-2024-00194 in any future correspondence related to this permit.

This Nationwide Permit (NWP) verification letter is being issued pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for the discharge of dredged and/or fill material into waters of the U.S. You are authorized to conduct the following activities:

- To temporarily place up to 30 cubic yards of fill in up to 410 square feet of Keanuimano Stream below the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM), in accordance with the materials and methods in the FHWA's guidebook, "An Integrated Storm Water Management Approach and a Summary of Clear Water Diversion and Isolation Best Management Practices for Use in the State of Hawaii, by the Federal Highway Administration and Hawaii Department of Transportation: Practitioner's Guide" (April 2016). The temporary fill will be placed to provide construction staging and access for the proposed replacement of Waiaka Bridge and will be removed within 120 calendar days following completion of construction.

Based upon the information and plans you provided, we hereby verify that the work described above, which would be performed in accordance with the enclosed plans (Enclosure 1), complies with the terms and conditions of and is authorized by NWP 33, (Temporary Construction, Access, and Dewatering) issued on February 25, 2022. The full text of NWP 33 and its associated Regional and General Conditions can be accessed at: <https://www.poh.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Permits/Nationwide-Permits/>. You must comply with all terms and conditions associated with NWP 33.

Verification of your project under this NWP is valid until **March 14, 2026**, unless this NWP is modified, reissued, or revoked prior to that date. If you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date that the NWPs are modified or revoked, you will have twelve (12) months from the date of the modification or revocation of the NWPs to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions. It is incumbent upon you to remain informed of changes to the NWPs. If the Corps modifies, reissues, or revokes any NWP at an earlier date, we will issue a public notice announcing the changes. Failure to comply with all terms and conditions of this NWP verification invalidates this authorization and could result in a violation of the Clean Water Act and/or Rivers and Harbors Act and subsequent enforcement action.

This authorization does not relieve you of the responsibility to obtain any other federal, state, and/or local authorizations required by law.

Your project complies with the requirements of the Clean Water Act, Section 401 Blanket Water Quality Certification (WQC) WQC1092 issued for this Nationwide Permit by the State of Hawaii Department of Health, Clean Water Branch. You are responsible for complying with the attached General Conditions of this WQC (Enclosure 2).

Your project complies with the requirements of the Coastal Zone Management Consistency Concurrence for this NWP issued by the State of Hawaii Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, Office of Planning during the NWP reissuance process in 2021.

Finally, General Condition 30 requires a signed certification be submitted to this office upon completion of work. Therefore, please sign, date and return the enclosed *Compliance Certification* form (Enclosure 3) within 30 days of completion of work to the email address specified below or to the mailing address indicated on the letterhead above.

Thank you for your cooperation with the Honolulu District Regulatory Program. Should you have any questions related to this authorization, please contact me at 808-835-4310 or via e-mail at [Vera.B.Koskelo@usace.army.mil](mailto:Vera.B.Koskelo@usace.army.mil) and [CEPOH-RO@usace.army.mil](mailto:CEPOH-RO@usace.army.mil), referencing the project number POH-2024-00194 in the email subject.

Please see our website for more information, located at <https://www.poh.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/>.

Sincerely,



Vera Koskelo  
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Enclosures

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