

House District 4

Senate District 1

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
APPLICATION FOR GRANTS
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

Log No:

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Type of Grant Request:

GRANT REQUEST - OPERATING

GRANT REQUEST - CAPITAL

"Grant" means an award of state funds by the legislature, by an appropriation to a specified recipient, to support the activities of the recipient and permit the community to benefit from those activities.

"Recipient" means any organization or person receiving a grant.

STATE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY RELATED TO THIS REQUEST (LEAVE BLANK IF UNKNOWN):

STATE PROGRAM I.D. NO. (LEAVE BLANK IF UNKNOWN):

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Legal Name of Requesting Organization or Individual: Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens

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Street Address: 15-1547 29th Street (Poni Moi HPP) Keaau HI 96749

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 5147, Hilo HI 96720

2. CONTACT PERSON FOR MATTERS INVOLVING THIS APPLICATION:

Name KATHARINE T. CANNON-EGER

Title President

Phone # (808) 895-8130

Fax # _____

E-mail kteger@hawaii.rr.com

3. TYPE OF BUSINESS ENTITY:

- NON PROFIT CORPORATION INCORPORATED IN HAWAII
- FOR PROFIT CORPORATION INCORPORATED IN HAWAII
- LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
- SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP/INDIVIDUAL
- OTHER

6. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S REQUEST:

WAIHONU POND REMEDIATION AND STONE EDGE REPAIR PART ONE:
TO INCLUDE: ENGINEERING SURVEY, TEST OF WATER AND SILT, DESIGN AND REMEDIATION PLAN, OBTAIN PERMITS AND REGULATORY APPROVALS, TIME LINE AND CONSTRUCTION COST PLANNING

4. FEDERAL TAX ID #: [REDACTED]

5. STATE TAX ID #: [REDACTED]

7. AMOUNT OF STATE FUNDS REQUESTED:

FISCAL YEAR 2017: \$ 121,000

8. STATUS OF SERVICE DESCRIBED IN THIS REQUEST:

- NEW SERVICE (PRESENTLY DOES NOT EXIST)
- EXISTING SERVICE (PRESENTLY IN OPERATION)

SPECIFY THE AMOUNT BY SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF THIS REQUEST:

STATE \$ 121,000
 FEDERAL \$ _____
 COUNTY \$ 20,000
 PRIVATE/OTHER \$ 9,000

KATHARINE T. CANNON-EGER, PRESIDENT

20 JANUARY 2016

NAME & TITLE

DATE SIGNED



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Application for Grants

If any item is not applicable to the request, the applicant should enter "not applicable".

I. Background and Summary

This section shall clearly and concisely summarize and highlight the contents of the request in such a way as to provide the State Legislature with a broad understanding of the request. Please include the following:

1. **A brief description of the applicant's background;**
Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens was founded in January 2012 by Hawaii County residents wishing to maintain the historic cultural landscape; to assist the County of Hawaii in agreed upon maintenance chores; and to plan for the future and prepare for the centennial in 2017. Incorporated in 2013, the Hawaii State-registered non-profit received IRS 501(c)(3) status. The gardens date back to the beginning of construction in 1917. A more complete history of Lili`uokalani Gardens is attached.
2. **The goals and objectives related to the request;**
Repair and remediation of Waihonu Pond at the heart of Lili`uokalani Gardens are a major projects that must start with testing of the water and silt, an engineering survey of the stone walls edging the pond, a remediation plan, design, and obtaining necessary permits and regulatory approvals before construction can begin.
3. **The public purpose and need to be served;**
The pond and the crumbling mortar and stone walls around the edge pose a public safety challenge to residents and visitors alike. Scenic and beautiful at moderate and high tide, the silted-in ponds at low tide cause passers-by to hold their noses. Holes in the grass surface behind the crumbling walls are a twisted ankle or broken bone waiting to happen.
4. **Describe the target population to be served; and**
5. **Describe the geographic coverage.**
Target population includes both residents of Hawaii County and visitors to the Hilo area. Lili`uokalani Gardens is one of Hawaii County's most heavily used parks with daily exercise groups and visiting tour buses plus monthly use by community organizations such as The Hawaii Heart Association, the Queen Lili`uokalani Children's Center, Merrie Monarch Festival, and Friends of the Animals Shelter to name just a few. Geographic coverage of the project site is the

Waiakea peninsula of Hilo. Geographic coverage of the impact of this project is Hawaii Island.

II. Service Summary and Outcomes

The Service Summary shall include a detailed discussion of the applicant's approach to the request. The applicant shall clearly and concisely specify the results, outcomes, and measures of effectiveness from this request. The applicant shall:

1. Describe the scope of work, tasks and responsibilities;
Waihonu pond at the heart of Lili`uokalani Gardens is approximately 5 acres. It is the first piece of property in this area donated to the City of Hilo for a park by Queen Lili`uokalani. The Territorial Legislature of 1917 and then-Governor Lucius E. Pinkham expanded the area to 17 acres in Act 53 and named the garden in honor of Queen Lili`uokalani.
The pond has been damaged by tons of silt deposited by tsunami in 1946 and 1960. A small section of the pond was dredged in 1999-2000. Old mortar is crumbling and many stones have fallen into the pond.
To address this project, several things are required by the County starting with testing of water quality and silt components. A plan for remediation and design of repairs is next followed by obtaining necessary permits and regulatory approvals from all County, State, and Federal agencies involved. These things in part one of the Waihonu Pond remediation and stone edge repair project must be completed before any removal of silt or stone wall repair may be undertaken.
Currently, more than 380 linear feet of stone wall edging are in need of repair. Previous efforts at removal of silt, in the 1999-2000 restoration and improvement efforts throughout the entire garden, succeeded in removing five feet of depth in two small sections of this very large pond.
2. Provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;
Given immediate action, the design and remediation plan including all necessary permits and regulatory approvals should be complete in 18 months. Part Two, achieving the pond remediation and pond edge repair is estimated to take an additional six to 12 months.
3. Describe its quality assurance and evaluation plans for the request. Specify how the applicant plans to monitor, evaluate, and improve their results; and
The organization will work with the County of Hawaii Department of Parks and Recreation to assure quality, and to monitor and evaluate results.
4. List the measure(s) of effectiveness that will be reported to the State agency through which grant funds are appropriated (the expending agency). The measure(s) will provide a standard and objective way for the State to assess the

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program's achievement or accomplishment. Please note that if the level of appropriation differs from the amount included in this application that the measure(s) of effectiveness will need to be updated and transmitted to the expending agency.

The only measure of effectiveness in Waihonu Pond Remediation and Stone Edge Repair (Part I) is the completion of all tasks necessary to design solutions to remediate the pond and obtain permits and approvals necessary to begin construction (Part II).

III. Financial

Budget

1. The applicant shall submit a budget utilizing the enclosed budget forms as applicable, to detail the cost of the request.
Attached
2. The applicant shall provide its anticipated quarterly funding requests for the fiscal year 2017.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total Grant
<u>30,250</u>	<u>30,250</u>	<u>30,250</u>	<u>30,250</u>	<u>121,000</u>

3. The applicant shall provide a listing of all other sources of funding that they are seeking for fiscal year 2017.
Hawaii County Council discretionary funds already allocated for this effort total \$20,000. Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens has \$9,000 on hand.
4. The applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits it has been granted within the prior three years. Additionally, the applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits they have applied for or anticipate applying for pertaining to any capital project, if applicable.
Not applicable
5. The applicant shall provide a listing of all federal, state, and county government contracts and grants it has been and will be receiving for program funding.
Hawaii County Council discretionary funds in the amount of \$20,000 were given to the Department of Parks and Recreation for this pond project. No Federal or State funds are in hand and no Federal monies have been applied for.
6. The applicant shall provide the balance of its unrestricted current assets as of December 31, 2015.

See attached financial statement

IV. Experience and Capability

A. Necessary Skills and Experience

The applicant shall demonstrate that it has the necessary skills, abilities, knowledge of, and experience relating to the request. State your experience and appropriateness for providing the service proposed in this application. The applicant shall also provide a listing of verifiable experience of related projects or contracts for the most recent three years that are pertinent to the request.

See attached listing of biographies of members of the board. Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens has a hands-on, active board of directors.

The attached annual report lists volunteer numbers, hours, and projects completed at Lili`uokalani Gardens from our first public work day in May 2014 through the end of December 2015.

B. Facilities

The applicant shall provide a description of its facilities and demonstrate its adequacy in relation to the request. If facilities are not presently available, describe plans to secure facilities.

Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens does not have an office or other bricks-and-mortar facility. Our board meetings are held in the conference room of the Queen Lili`uokalani Children`s Center in Hilo at 919 Ulluani Street. Other meetings have been held in the conference room of Isemoto Contracting, the office of landscape architect David Tamura and the conference room of the County of Hawaii Department of Public Works.

V. Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing

A. Proposed Staffing, Staff Qualifications, Supervision and Training

The applicant shall describe the proposed staffing pattern and proposed service capacity appropriate for the viability of the request. The applicant shall provide the qualifications and experience of personnel for the request and shall describe its ability to supervise, train and provide administrative direction relative to the request.

The County of Hawaii Parks and Recreation Department has previous experience with a firm experienced and able to carry out the requirements of Part I.

B. Organization Chart

The applicant shall illustrate the position of each staff and line of responsibility/supervision. If the request is part of a large, multi-purpose organization, include an organization chart that illustrates the placement of this request.

C. Compensation

The applicant shall provide the annual salaries paid by the applicant to the three highest paid officers, directors, or employees of the organization by position..

No officer or director of Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens receives any salary. All officers and directors are volunteers. There are no employees of Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens at the present moment.

VI. Other

A. Litigation

The applicant shall disclose any pending litigation to which they are a party, including the disclosure of any outstanding judgement. If applicable, please explain.

No pending litigation; no outstanding judgement(s)

B. Licensure or Accreditation

The applicant shall specify any special qualifications, including but not limited to licensure or accreditation that the applicant possesses relevant to this request.

See attached listing of the Board of Directors of Lili'uokalani Gardens.

C. Private Educational Institutions

The applicant shall specify whether the grant will be used to support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution. Please see Article X, Section 1, of the State Constitution for the relevance of this question.

The grant will not be used to support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution.

D. Future Sustainability Plan

The applicant shall provide a plan for sustaining after fiscal year 2016-17 the activity funded by the grant if the grant of this application is:

(1) Received by the applicant for fiscal year 2016-17, but

(2) Not received by the applicant thereafter.

Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens is embarking on a fundraising/membership campaign that includes a direct mail appeal, face to face donor solicitations, co-sponsored events with Hilo area partner associations, and a centennial gala. Much of this future funding will be dedicated to events scheduled for the centennial year of celebration.

E. Certificate of Good Standing (If the Applicant is an Organization)

If the applicant is an organization, the applicant shall submit one (1) copy of a certificate of good standing from the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs that is dated no earlier than December 1, 2015.

Certificate of Good Standing attached, dated 20 January 2016

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

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Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens

BUDGET CATEGORIES	Total State Funds Requested (a)	Total Federal Funds Requested (b)	Total County Funds Requested (c)	Total Private/Other Funds Requested (d)
A. PERSONNEL COST				
1. Salaries				
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments				
3. Fringe Benefits				
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST				
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island				
2. Insurance				
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment				
4. Lease/Rental of Space				
5. Staff Training				
6. Supplies				
7. Telecommunication				
8. Utilities				
survey, water quality and silt testing, plan, design permits and permissions, remediation plan	121,000	0	20,000	9,000
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	121,000		20,000	9,000
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL				
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	121,000		20,000	9,000
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	121,000	Katharine T. Cannon-Eger (808) 895-8130		
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested	0	Phone		
(c) Total County Funds Requested	20,000	[Redacted Signature]		
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested	9,000			
TOTAL BUDGET	150,000	Name and Title (Please type or print)		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens

TOTAL PROJECT COST		ALL SOURCES OF FUNDS RECEIVED IN PRIOR YEARS		STATE FUNDS REQUESTED	OF FUNDS REQUESTED	FUNDING REQUIRED IN SUCCEEDING YEARS	
		FY: 2014-2015	FY: 2015-2016			FY:2016-2017	FY:2017-2018
PLANS		0	0	121,000	29,000		
LAND ACQUISITION	Not Applicable						
DESIGN	Included with Plans						
CONSTRUCTION		0	0		0		
EQUIPMENT		0	0		0		
TOTAL:				121,000	29,000		
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENT The deteriorating walls and silt filled ponds pose a public safety hazard to visitors and residents alike.							

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS AND / OR GRANTS

Appl Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens

Contracts Total:

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1	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S. / State / Haw / Hon / Kau / Mau)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	no current contracts or grants				
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**DECLARATION STATEMENT OF
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAI'I REVISED STATUTES**

The undersigned authorized representative of the applicant certifies the following:

- 1) The applicant meets and will comply with all of the following standards for the award of grants pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is licensed or accredited, in accordance with federal, state, or county statutes, rules, or ordinances, to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded;
 - b) Complies with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation, or disability;
 - c) Agrees not to use state funds for entertainment or lobbying activities; and
 - d) Allows the state agency to which funds for the grant were appropriated for expenditure, legislative committees and their staff, and the auditor full access to their records, reports, files, and other related documents and information for purposes of monitoring, measuring the effectiveness, and ensuring the proper expenditure of the grant.

- 2) If the applicant is an organization, the applicant meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is incorporated under the laws of the State; and
 - b) Has bylaws or policies that describe the manner in which the activities or services for which a grant is awarded shall be conducted or provided.

- 3) If the applicant is a non-profit organization, it meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is determined and designated to be a non-profit organization by the Internal Revenue Service; and
 - b) Has a governing board whose members have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation.

Pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, for grants used for the acquisition of land, when the organization discontinues the activities or services on the land acquired for which the grant was awarded and disposes of the land in fee simple or by lease, the organization shall negotiate with the expending agency for a lump sum or installment repayment to the State of the amount of the grant used for the acquisition of the land.

Further, the undersigned authorized representative certifies that this statement is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.

Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens



(Typed Name)

20 January 2016
(Date)

President
(Title)

K. T. Cannon-Eger, president:

Hawaii resident for nearly 40 years; founding member of the North American Japanese Garden Association and editor of its annual Journal; member of the board of directors of the Japanese Gardening Organization which operates an online forum for professional and amateur gardeners; partner in Cannon and Eger, a public relations company; active with Puna Hongwanji Mission, president of the island-wide Buddhist Women's Association; enthusiastic gardener

Harvey Tajiri, vice president:

Born and raised in Hilo, graduate of Hilo High School; retired businessman; retired elected official at the County and State levels; founder of the UH-Hilo Athletic Booster Club; former member of University Regents; active in the community in several non-profit organizations; doting grandfather; enthusiastic landscaper and amateur historian

Raymond Tanouye, second vice president:

Born in Hilo, attended grades K thru 8 in Hilo, graduated from Iolani School in Honolulu and Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, CA; member of numerous non-profit organizations; owner and president of Mountain Meadows, Inc. in Hilo supplying numerous landscape projects with plants on the Big Island, Maui, Oahu, and Lanai; father of four and grandfather of four; enjoys traveling

Jane Heit, treasurer:

Born and raised in Hilo; worked in accounting field for 30 plus years, specializing in non-profits and trusts; interested in things Japanese, bon dance instructor and president of Tsukikage Odorikai (Moonlight Dance Club)

Louis Hao, director:

Supervisor, East Hawaii District, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; politically active in the campaign of State Senator Gilbert Kahele; former trustee Office of Hawaiian Affairs; former Maui County administrator; honored by the Hawaii State Legislature as an outstanding kupuna during "Holomua Me Ka Lōkahi" – Moving Forward in Unity on Hawaiian Caucus Day; 1953 All-Territory Basketball All-Star

Leslie Isemoto, director

President and chief operating officer, Isemoto Contracting; third generation in the business; licensed as a general engineering and general building contractor since 1997; worked his way to president from laborer and apprentice carpenter; named the 2015 Outstanding Union Builder of the Year by the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters

Kenji Kuroshima, director:

From Kobe, Japan, studied at Osaka University of Economics; resident of Hawaii Island for several years; professional photographer specializing in hula dancers performances and competitions such as Merrie Monarch Festival; tea ceremony practitioner; enthusiastic booster of Hilo and Hawaii Island to visitors from Japan; popular blogger in Japanese on Hawaii Island <http://www.hula-hawaii.net/> ; owner of Black Island LLC

Glenn Miyao, director:

Life-long resident of Hilo, graduate of Hilo High School and UH-Manoa; retired park planner with the Department of Parks and Recreation, County of Hawaii; currently part-time project coordinator with Wilson Okamoto Corporation, a planning/engineering consulting firm based in Honolulu, Hawaii

Philippe Nault, director:

Hawaii resident for 23 years; American citizen, born and raised in France; abstract painter, large scale artist in architectural and public space, art consultant for architectural firms, and cultural interpreter in Hawaii; practitioner of Chado, the Japanese traditional Way of Tea at the Hilo Urasenke school of tea ceremony for the past 17 years

Hiroshi Suga, director:

Born in Tokyo, Japan in 1952 and moved to Hilo in 1980, married to a third generation Japanese American, Carolyn M. Monden; retired from a local frozen food distributor in 2011; immediate past president and a board member of the Japanese Community Association of Hawaii; member of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Hawaii; graduate of the University of Hawaii at Hilo with a bachelor of arts in business administration

David Y. Tamura, director:

David is the President of David Y. Tamura Associates a Landscape Architectural Design firm based in Hilo. The firm does design of public, commercial and residential projects throughout the Big Island with emphasis site specific landscape design. He is a member of the American Society of Landscape Architects

Noe Noe Wong-Wilson, director:

Assistant Professor, Hawaiian Studies & Coordinator of the Hālaulani Transfer Success Center at Hawai'i Community College; Native Hawaiian cultural practitioner; Founding Board Member Emerita of the Kohala Center; Officer and Board Member of several Hawaiian non-profit organizations on Hawai'i Island; Hawaiian and Pacific Islands cultural consultant; Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology with Honors (UH Hilo), Master of Arts in Pacific Islands Studies (UH Mānoa); Doctoral Candidate, School of Maori and Pacific Development (University of Waikato, Aotearoa, New Zealand)

Lance Niimi, adviser:

Current unit manager, Queen Lili`uokalani Children's Center, Hilo Unit; current board member and former board chair for the Island of Hawaii YMCA; current treasurer and former president of the Hilo Y's Men's and Women's Service Club; member, Nā Pua No'eau National Advisory Council; 2013 recipient with Lucille Chung of the Mahalo Award from Hawaii Community College; hobbies include playing badminton, playing the guitar, hiking, camping and fishing

Bill F. Eger, immediate past president & adviser:

Hawaii resident nearly 40 years; former UPI and newspaper reporter and editor; former political campaign manager San Francisco Bay Area, Maui and Hawaii Island; photographer and graphic artist; active in several Hawaii Island non-profits; loves gardening

Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens

Profit & Loss

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January through December 2015

Accrual Basis

	<u>Jan - Dec 15</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Direct Public Support	
Individ, Business Contributions	17,012.29
Total Direct Public Support	17,012.29
Indirect Public Support	
QLF Calabash	113.00
Total Indirect Public Support	113.00
Investments	
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	0.60
Total Investments	0.60
Other Types of Income	
Cherry Tree Sales	1,389.00
Total Other Types of Income	1,389.00
Total Income	18,514.89
Expense	
Operations	
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	-450.00
Postage, Mailing Service	276.00
Total Operations	-174.00
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Liability, D and O	675.00
Total Other Types of Expenses	675.00
Taxes, General Excise	86.76
Total Expense	587.76
Net Ordinary Income	17,927.13
Net Income	<u>17,927.13</u>

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Accrual Basis

Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2015

	<u>Dec 31, 15</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Central Pacific Bank, Checking	5,361.80
CPB, Savings	3,981.22
Total Checking/Savings	<u>9,343.02</u>
Total Current Assets	9,343.02
Other Assets	
Deposits	374.76
Organizational Costs	2,475.24
Total Other Assets	<u>2,850.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>12,193.02</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Unrestricted Net Assets	-5,734.11
Net Income	17,927.13
Total Equity	<u>12,193.02</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>12,193.02</u></u>

Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens park maintenance and improvement report

During the months of May, June, July, August, September and December in 2014 and January, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December in 2015, more than 275 volunteers put more than 1,181 hours into projects at Lili`uokalani Gardens with the agreement and cooperation of County Parks & Recreation leadership and park maintenance staff. [This does not count an additional 50 people who spent two hours at the Hawaii Japanese Center in early October learning about tea gardens.]

Many thanks are due to the members of the board for their hands-on approach. The Sierra Club Moku Loa Chapter, East Hawaii Master Gardeners Association, Fukushima Kenjin Kai, Moku `Aina, Urasenke Society of Hilo, Rotary Club of Hilo, Interact Club of Waiakea High School, Naniloa Hotel management and maintenance staff, and the UH-Hilo exchange students contributed greatly to this effort.

Donations of material, supplies, plants, and tools were received from Ace Hardware, Jas. Glover, KTA SuperStores and individual board members. This includes everything from water, ice, coffee, fruit juice, and bentos for volunteers, to gloves and trash bags to tools added to the maintenance shed, to the loan of equipment such as propane generators and reciprocating saws, to soil and plants and fertilizers, and 16 tons of two different sizes of gravel (6 tons of #3, ¾" minus and 10 tons of #9) and the trucking to deliver the gravel. Trucking also was donated to haul away bamboo green waste on two occasions. Other trucking needs for the bamboo thinning project were handled by the County Park Maintenance Division. Donated services of landscape designers, architects, accountants, and contractors topped the list for 2015.

Paths have been improved. Bushes and trees have been trimmed. Small ironwood trees and one substantial podocarpus have been pruned niwaki style. Azaleas and camellias have been fertilized. The overgrown bamboo thicket has been greatly improved. The Shoroan tea house garden area is looking better and the tsukubai received necessary reconditioning. The invasive seaweed in the pond has been reduced. Lines on the parking lot were refreshed with paint. Weeds in garden beds and on the roofs of shelters have been removed. Planting areas for Sister City commemorative trees have been identified and prepared in advance of ceremonies. These are just a few of the chores accomplished in the past year and a half.

Efforts were designed not only for general improvement but also to support the Fukushima Kenjin Doshi Kai annual tanabata festival, the Queen Lili`uokalani Festival known as He Halia Aloha No Lili`uokalani, and the Urasenke Society's special events in July and September of 2014, and January, September and October 2015.

Park maintenance supervision shifted to Jason Mattos Jr. and a new wish list of tasks was set forth. A major effort in the latter part of 2015 was thinning of the overgrown bamboo thicket. The second major effort was reconditioning of the tsukubai at Shoroan with the assistance of Takuhiro Yamada of Kyoto and David Tamura of Hilo. The reconditioning was completed by County plumbers.

Growth of Japanese Gardens in America

International travel to Japan coupled with extensive Japanese displays in other countries at World Fairs and Expositions in the late 1800s resulted in a surge of Japanese garden construction outside of Japan. In the Kingdom of Hawai`i, Japanese landscape design is noted on royal properties as early as the spring of 1885. In a few years' time in addition to residential landscapes, substantial gardens were built. They included the Haleiwa Hotel, Moanalua Gardens and Kapiolani Park on O`ahu. Many no longer exist as Japanese-style landscapes.

Queen Lili`uokalani, a Japanese women's society, and a sugar mill manager's wife began efforts to plan a Japanese garden in Hilo in the early 1900s. Immigrants to Hawai`i from Japan began arriving in great numbers in 1895. By the census of 1910, Japanese immigrants comprised the largest segment of the population in Hawai`i.

The Queen followed in her brother's footsteps with interest in and care for Japanese immigrants. By invitation, the Queen attended a Buddhist ceremony in Honolulu in 1901, generating territory-wide interest in Buddhism and front-page headlines in Hawai`i and Japan. By 1907 it is believed Queen Lili`uokalani gave Waihonu – a five-acre lagoon at the Waiakea peninsula – for a public park. By 1912, a Japanese woman's society, Hilo Fujin Shinko-Kai, formed to seek a location for a tea house. By 1916 two substantial kasuga lanterns were on hand.

In 1914, Laura Vestal Kennedy joined her husband Charles C. Kennedy, retired manager of Waiakea Mill and president of the Hilo Board of Trade, on a business trip of 18 Hawai`i executives to Japan. She returned inspired by gardens and plant nurseries visited. She became very active in park planning and beautification efforts throughout east Hawai`i. The three threads of interest – The Queen, the Japanese women's society and Mrs. Kennedy – began to intertwine.

Focus on Lili`uokalani Gardens

By the spring of 1917, legislation passed both houses of the Territorial Legislature and Act 53 was signed into law by Governor Lucius Pinkham setting aside 17 acres on the Waiakea Peninsula including Waihonu for a public park to be named Lili`uokalani Gardens. Construction began in November 1917, the same month the Queen passed away at age 79.

C.C. Kennedy donated an initial \$1,000 and a bridge was built. Soon, other pathways, bridges, shelters and lantern placements were completed.

Tragic news came when the park was inundated by high water during tsunami in 1918 – a five-foot wave – and 1923 – a 20-foot wave. Great damage was caused by the tsunami of 1946 when ponds were filled with mud, buildings destroyed and stone work dislodged by a series of 15 waves, the highest of which was 33 feet. Again in 1960 seven significant waves hit over a two-hour period one morning in May. The highest wave reached 36 feet above sea level.

Each time the garden was restored.

In March 1972 a tea house and garden were installed, a gift of Dr. Shoshitsu Sen, at the time he was 15th grand tea master of Urasenke Foundation in Kyoto. Following destruction by arson in 1994, the tea house and garden were re-built in a new location in 1997. Presently the Urasenke Hilo Association holds

four classes a week – two in English and two in Japanese. In 1976, the park expanded to include acreage at the southwest corner.

Control and management of Lili`uokalani Gardens was given to the County of Hawai`i in 1927 by Governor Wallace R. Farrington in Executive Order number 276. In 1933, Executive Order number 585 from Governor Lawrence M. Judd dealt with Mokuola (Coconut Island) “for addition to Lili`uokalani Gardens.” Other Executive Orders by Governor Benjamin Cayetano in 2002 provided utility easements and added a nearby area known as Isles. Public sources describe Lili`uokalani Gardens as a 30-acre park. The portion old timers call *Nihon Koen* – Japan Park – including the original Waihonu through the bicentennial addition is more than 20 acres.

An entire garden refurbishment was accomplished by 2000 with a \$2 million bond issue secured by then Mayor Stephen Yamashiro, improving accessibility and many physical improvements.

An international design history

Well known garden designers and intense community effort have been the hallmarks of Lili`uokalani Gardens since the beginning. Some of the designers include Nagao Sakurai (1949 restoration), Kinsaku Nakane (1968 restoration plan), Katsuaki Nobukuni (1972 tea house garden), Kazuo Nakamura (1976 bicentennial garden), David Tamura and Fred Nonaka (1997 tea house garden), and Leonard Bisel (2000).

Now approaching a centennial, Lili`uokalani Gardens joins a select group of Japanese gardens outside Japan – gardens that have sustained public interest and endured the test of time. Of nearly 300 Japanese gardens in the United States, there are a handful that have reached or are about to reach 100 years.

Among Japanese gardens outside of Japan, Lili`uokalani Gardens is a leader in size and unique in ocean-side location. This jewel of Hilo, the Crescent City, is used daily by scores of residents and visitors. Walkers and runners, tai chi and yoga practitioners, tea ceremony classes, boxing practice, fishing, picnicking, weddings, and high school graduation photos, mingle with busloads of visitors touring the island.

Several annual events are held in the park from fund raising walks for the Heart Association and the Hawai`i Island HIV/AIDS Foundation, 50 years of hula activities related to the annual Merrie Monarch Festival in the spring, and a birthday celebration for Queen Lili`uokalani in early September with family entertainment, activities, hula, taiko, and tea ceremonies.

Preparing now for Centennial 2017

The time is now to prepare for the dual centennial in 2017 to mark the passing of Queen Lili`uokalani and to upgrade care of the cultural landscape so many have given to this island. An inventory of assets – including significant plants as well as artifacts and structures – is in the works. Translation of the Japanese character kanji on the lanterns will require the assistance of volunteers proficient in reading older styles. A comprehensive plan for repairs, maintenance and improvements is underway with the assistance of David Tamura, landscape architect. Replacement of the torii gates was completed in 2015.

Our community is so fortunate to have a living work of art adjacent to the ocean in view of majestic Mauna Kea. Let us join together to carry the past 100 years into the next century.

Join Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens

Organized as a State of Hawai`i non-profit corporation, Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens received tax-exempt status with a 501(c)(3) IRS designation.

Working in close cooperation with the County of Hawai`i Department of Parks and Recreation, funds will be used to improve park facilities, plantings, ponds, and services in preparation for the 2017 Centennial event.

For information on joining our efforts, please contact:

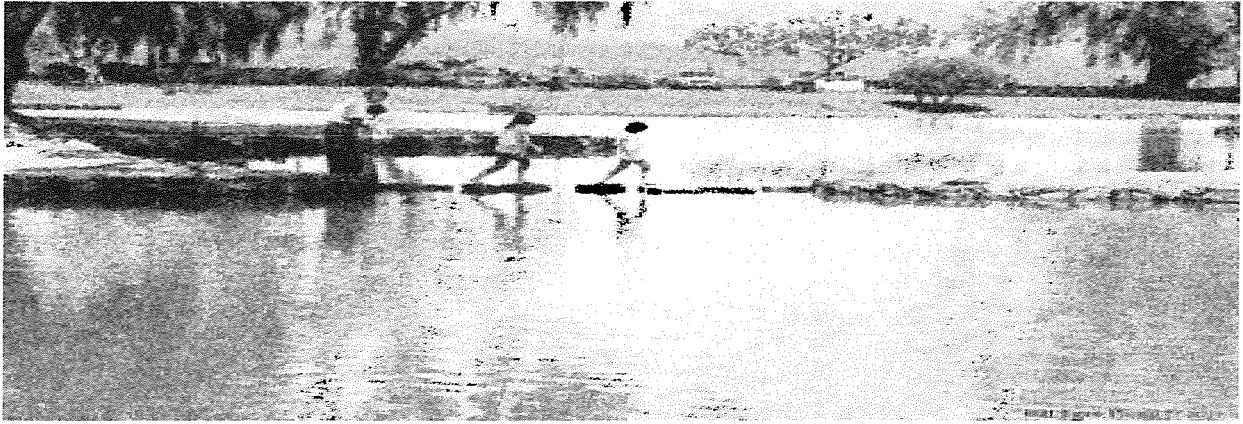
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Corporate Resolution

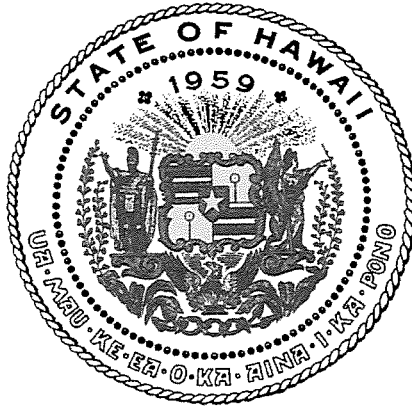
I, Harvey Tajiri, Vice President of Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens, do hereby certify that the following is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said Corporation, at its meeting duly called by conference call in Hilo, on the 12th day of October, 2015, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout; and that said resolution has not been modified, amended, or rescinded and continues in full force and effect.

RESOLVED that the persons holding positions of President and Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Corporation any bid, proposal, or contract for services performed by the Corporation, and to execute any bond required by any such bid, proposal, or contract with the State of Hawai`i or County or any department or sub-division of any of them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this 21 day of January, 2016.



Harvey Tajiri, Vice President



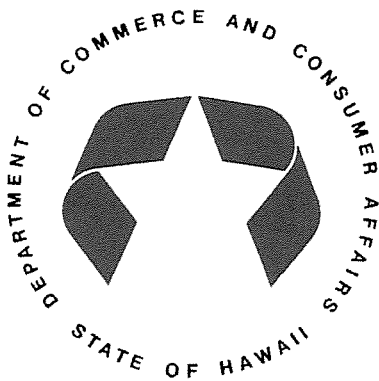
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CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

I, the undersigned Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs of the State of Hawaii, do hereby certify that

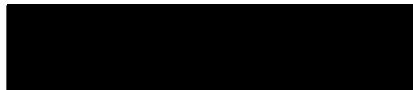
FRIENDS OF LILI'UOKALANI GARDENS

was incorporated under the laws of Hawaii on 01/18/2013 ;
that it is an existing nonprofit corporation; and that,
as far as the records of this Department reveal, has complied
with all of the provisions of the Hawaii Nonprofit Corporations
Act, regulating domestic nonprofit corporations.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed the seal of the
Department of Commerce and Consumer
Affairs, at Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dated: January 20, 2016

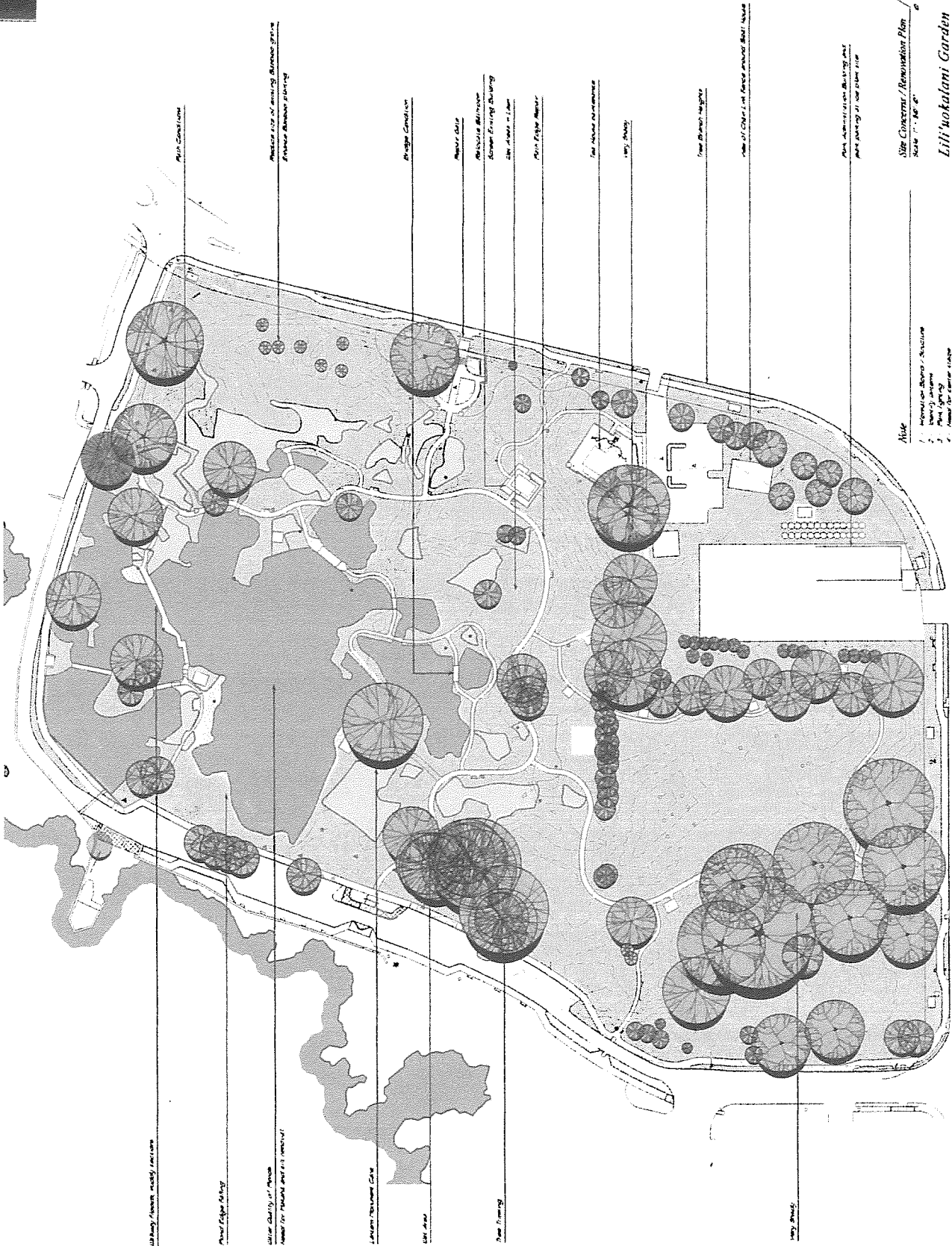


Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens

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- 1) Site plan by David Tamura, landscape architect
- 2) Google Earth
- 3) Pond remediation and rock edge repair plan and permits/approvals will lead to pond dredging and restoration
- 4) Family enjoying one of the many paths and bridges in the 24-acre public garden
- 5) Overview of pond and edge at low tide
- 6) Children walking on the grass, underwater at extreme high tide
- 7) Crumbling rock edge
- 8) Master Gardener a year earlier with the crumbled wall section still whole visible behind to his right; in the area of the arched stone bridge
- 9) Invasive, alien seaweed
- 10) Volunteers working to remove seaweed
- 11) He Halia Aloha No Lili`uokalani, the annual Queen's Birthday Festival across the pond



Wetland Areas - Study Areas

Planting Schedule

Water Quality of Pond
Need for Plants and Fish Removal

Planting Schedule

Site Area

Tree Planting

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Site Criteria / Renovation Plan
Scale 1" = 40' 0"

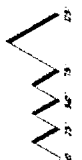
Lili'wakalani Garden

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Legend

- 1. Existing Structure
- 2. New Structure
- 3. Planting
- 4. Existing Planting
- 5. New Planting
- 6. Existing Path
- 7. New Path
- 8. Existing Pond
- 9. New Pond
- 10. Existing Wetland
- 11. New Wetland

North



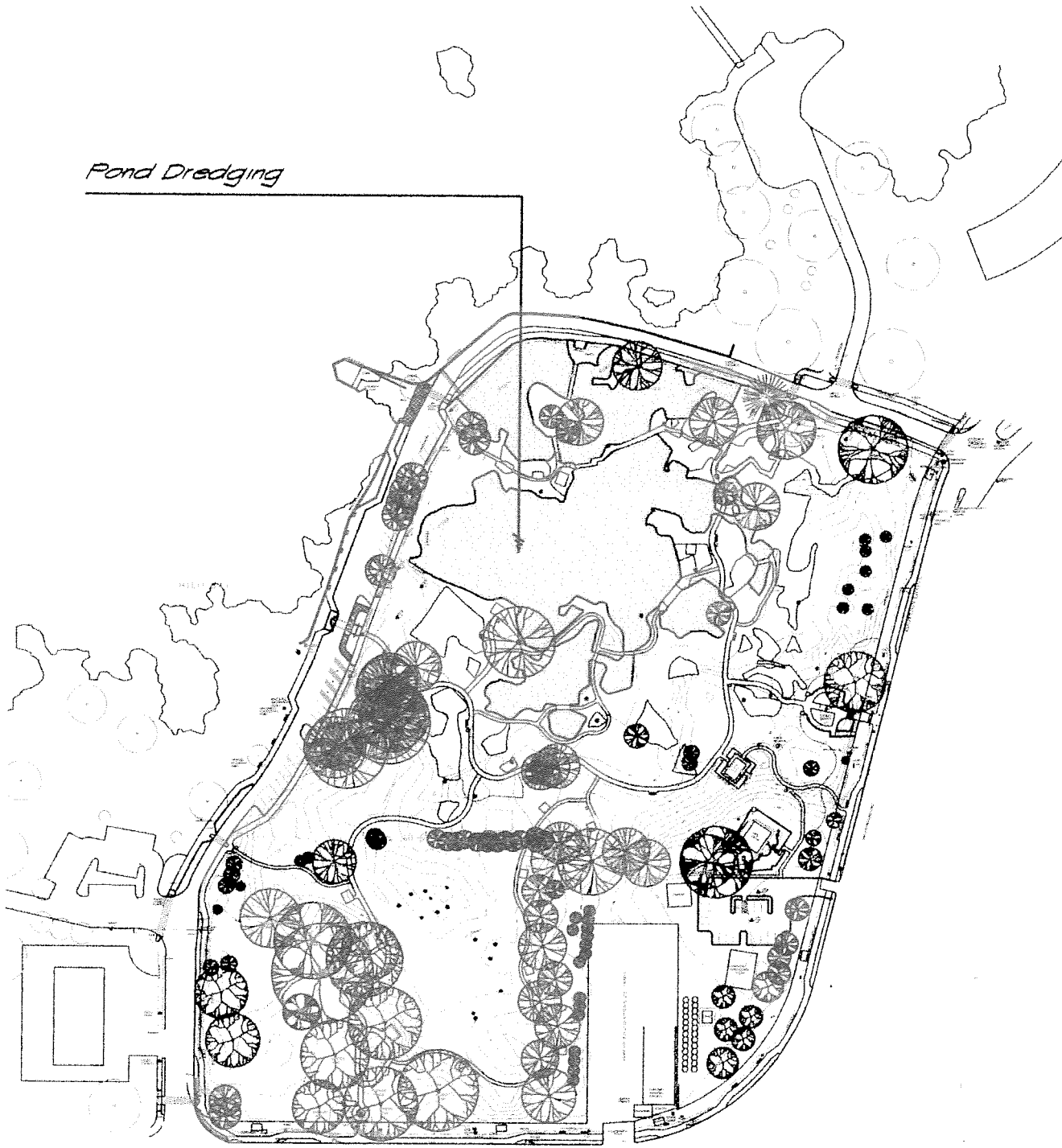
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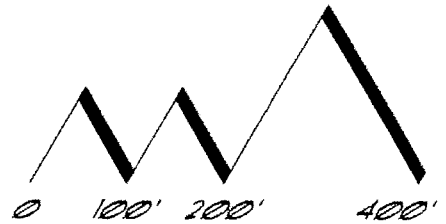
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Pond Dredging



Notes

*Dredge pond to remove silt and debris.
Retrieve stones and artifacts.*



Lili'uokalani Garden

Hilo, Hawaii

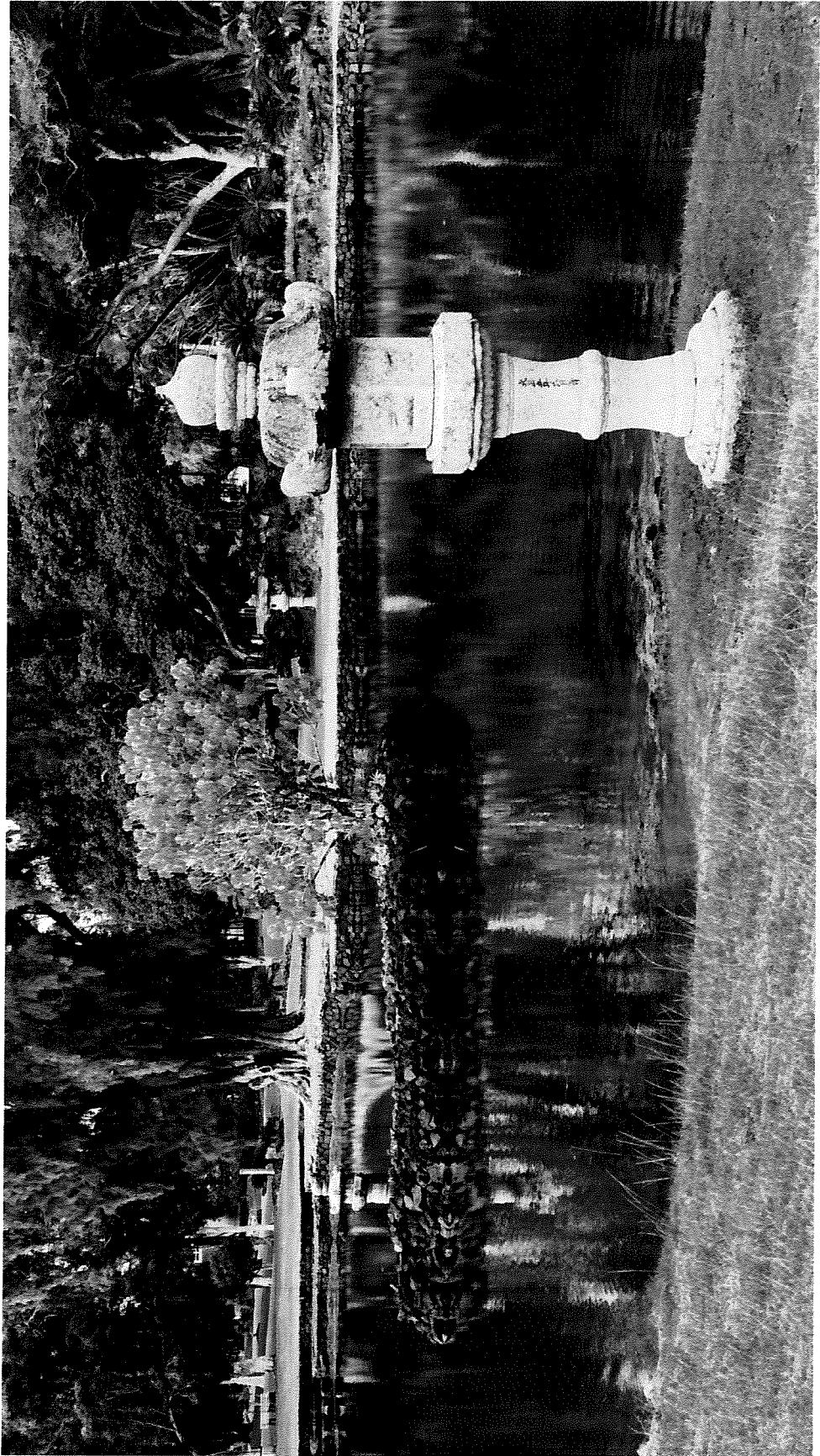
Pond Dredging

*Scale NTS
June 11, 2015*



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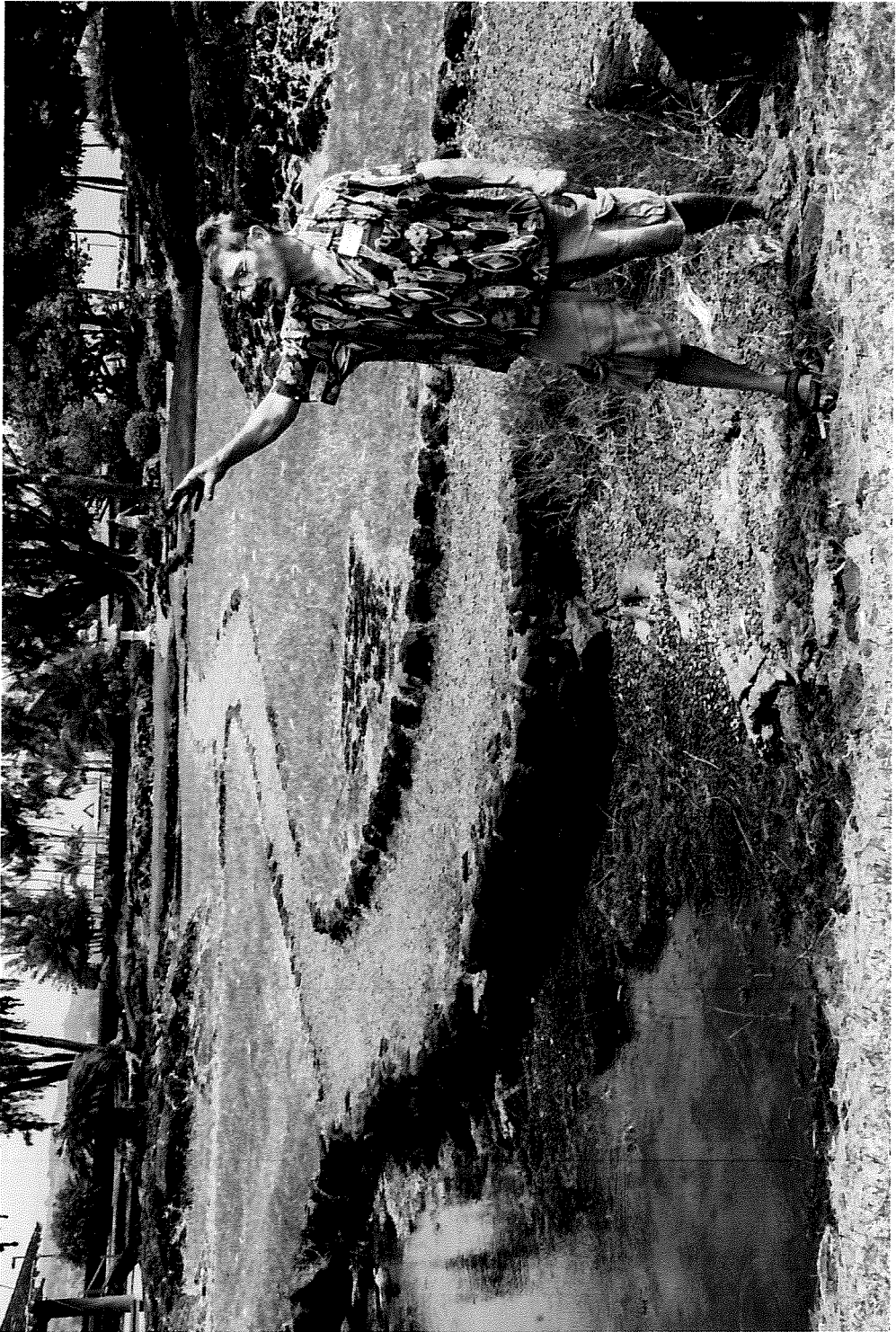


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