August 2, 2019

Mr. Sam Lemmo  
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Subject: Suspension of Invasive Species Control Program for CDUP HA-3568, Thirty Meter Telescope

Dear Mr. Lemmo:

This is to inform you that due to circumstances on Maunakea where access to UH's managed lands has been blocked by protest activities, there will be a delay or suspension in the implementation of the following condition under CDUP HA-3568, Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT).

   Special Condition #4: Implementing an invasive species control program; CDUA Exhibit B, Appendix E, Monitoring of arthropods in the area of the TMT Access Way prior to, during, and for two years after construction of the Access Way;

Arthropod monitoring contractors are being denied access to the TMT site by protestors controlling the road block on the Maunakea Access Road. This road block began on July 15, 2019 and is still currently in effect. Scheduled arthropod monitoring, therefore, cannot be carried out until access is secured.

Once safe, reliable access can again be guaranteed, monitoring and reporting will resume. Long-term repercussions for permit requirements are anticipated and will be communicated once these repercussions can be assessed. OMKM will provide you with an update if, and when, safe access is restored and arthropod monitoring resumes.

Please do not hesitate to contact Fritz Klasner, Natural Resource Program Manager, at 933-0742, or by email at fklasner@hawaii.edu if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Nagata  
Director

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