



**STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE  
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION  
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D**

**TO:** Chief Procurement Officer

**FROM:** OHA PROCUREMENT UNIT  
*Name of Requesting Department*

*Pursuant to HRS § 103D-102(b)(4) and HAR chapter 3-120, the Department requests a procurement exemption for the following:*

**1. Describe the goods and/or services:**  
THE PERPETUATION OF TRADITIONAL HAWAIIAN PRACTICES AND IDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE IS BOUND IN SPECIALIZED TRAINING ABOARD THE VESSEL SSV MAKANI OLU FOR THE BETTERMENT & PRESERVATIONS OF PAPA HANAUMOKUAKEA. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION 8031 & 9478 OF THE MANAGEMENT OF NIHOA, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT CONTINUED TRAINING OF STUDENTS AND WORK IS CARRIED OUT FOR THE FUTURE. TO DO SO, THE VESSEL VIA MARIMED PROVIDES THE NECESSARY ACCESS, RESEARCH FACILITY & TRAINING ENVIRONMENT UNIQUE TO ACCESS THE ISLAND & COMPLETE THE NECESSARY WORK FOR THE RELATED MANAGEMETN GOALS OF THE ISLAND & MONUMENT.

<b>2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider:</b> MARIMED FOUNDATION FOR ISLAND HEALTH CARE TRAINING	<b>3. Amount of Request:</b> \$ 50,400.00
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<b>4. Term of Contract From:</b> 5/14/2018 <b>To:</b> 5/25/2018	<b>5. Prior SPO-007, Procurement Exemption (PE):</b>
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**6. Explain in detail, why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the department to procure by competitive means:**  
SEE ATTACHED

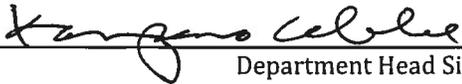
**7. Explain in detail, the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the vendor/contractor/service provider:**  
BASED ON RESEARCH CONDUCTED, NO OTHER VESSEL IS ABLE TO PROVIDE THE TYPE OF SERVICES NECESSARY TO ENTER PAPA HANAUMOKUAKEA MONUMENT AREA. THE VESSEL IS REQUIRED TO FOLLOW THE PROTOCOLS NECESSARY TO SAIL, DOCK AND PRESERVE THE SANCTIONED AREA.

8. Identify the primary responsible staff person(s) conducting and managing this procurement. (Appropriate delegated procurement authority and completion of mandatory training required).

\*Point of contact (Place asterisk after name of person to contact for additional information).

Name	Division/Agency	Phone Number	e-mail address
PHYLLIS ONO-EVANGELISTA	PROCUREMENT/OHA	(808) 594-1833	phylliso@oha.org

*All requirements/approvals and internal controls for this expenditure is the responsibility of the department. I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.*



Department Head Signature

3/2/18  
Date

**For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only**

Date Notice Posted: \_\_\_\_\_

Inquiries about this request shall be directed to the contact named in No. 8. Submit written objection to this notice to issue an exempt contract within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from date notice posted to:

[state.procurement.office@hawaii.gov](mailto:state.procurement.office@hawaii.gov)

Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

Approved

Disapproved

No Action Required

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Chief Procurement Officer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Access to the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument (hereinafter PMNM) is the largest marine conservation area in the world. All access is restricted and is limited to management activities by jurisdictional agencies, research, education, Native Hawaiian practices, and a small number of recreational trips and visits to historical sites at Midway Atoll. General visitation purposes are no longer offered.

Papahānaumokuākea significance to the Native Hawaiians assigns to ancestral and environmental resources is on equal platform with all other interest. Based on this kuleana (responsibility) the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Papahānaumokuākea Program (hereinafter Papahānaumokuākea Program) oversees management responsibility in the PMM and fosters effective inter-governmental relationship and community partnerships to support collaborative cultural and natural resource advocacy activities.

At a minimal the Papahānaumokuākea Programs coordinates an annual cultural and research project. This year's cultural practice and research will transport a team of 10 to 12 individuals to Nihoa island to participate in: 1) cultural protocol and practice; 2) assist with archaeology research; 3), plant/animal surveys on island; and 4) invasive species removal.

Conducting the yearly expedition requires a sailing vessel such as Marimed Foundation's SSV Makani Olu which is a sailing research and training vessel. It specifically provides experimental hands-on maritime training, while has low impact venues for conducting scientific, cultural research, and observations to the protected Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument. At the minimal the vessel must be able to: 1) accommodate a crew along with 10 to 12 researchers and students; 2) transport all provisions, including equipment for the field work; 3) ability to comply with policies applicable within the PMNM; and the vessel Captain possesses prior experience sailing and anchoring in the PMNM and the island of Nihoa.

Based on the requirements the Marimed Foundation's SSV Makani Olu is the only vessel that provides the ability for students to be trained with professional researchers and an experienced Captain and crew. It also has the ability to sail and anchor in the PMNM, specifically the island of Nihoa