



East Hawaii Cultural Council

Regional Director Pacific West Region
National Park Service
111 Jackson Street. Suite 700
Oakland, CA. 94607
Attention: Concession Program Manager

Dear Concession Program Manager,

The East Hawai`i Cultural Council (EHCC) would like to express our support for The Volcano Project (TVP) for the Volcano House concession contract. EHCC is impressed with the innovative approach of this nonprofit agency to run the Volcano House.

EHCC provides a variety of art programs for East Hawai`i including the Volcano area. In the past, we even had some projects with Ken Fujiyama, the past concession operator. Also in January 2012, we will be helping the Hawai`i Volcano Observatory (HVO) celebrate their 100th Anniversary by presenting a historical exhibit of HVO at EHCC.

EHCC would be most interested in further discussing the possibility of putting together some exhibits for display in the Volcano House and other collaborative projects, should TVP become operators there. We have original art that would be most suited to displays highlighting the cultural heritage of the islands and the innumerable ways in which heritage relates to the volcanoes themselves.

Sincerely,

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