

Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument
Native Hawaiian Practices Permit Application

NOTE: *This Permit Application (and associated Instructions) are to propose activities to be conducted in the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument. The Co-Trustees are required to determine that issuing the requested permit is compatible with the findings of Presidential Proclamation 8031. Within this Application, provide all information that you believe will assist the Co-Trustees in determining how your proposed activities are compatible with the conservation and management of the natural, historic, and cultural resources of the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument (Monument).*

ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Any or all of the information within this application may be posted to the Monument website informing the public on projects proposed to occur in the Monument.
- In addition to the permit application, the Applicant must either download the Monument Compliance Information Sheet from the Monument website OR request a hard copy from the Monument Permit Coordinator (contact information below). The Monument Compliance Information Sheet must be submitted to the Monument Permit Coordinator after initial application consultation.
- Issuance of a Monument permit is dependent upon the completion and review of the application and Compliance Information Sheet.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

Send Permit Applications to:

Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument Permit Coordinator

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Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument Permit Application Cover Sheet

This Permit Application Cover Sheet is intended to provide summary information and status to the public on permit applications for activities proposed to be conducted in the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument. While a permit application has been received, it has not been fully reviewed nor approved by the Monument Management Board to date. The Monument permit process also ensures that all environmental reviews are conducted prior to the issuance of a Monument permit.

Summary Information

Applicant Name: Nainoa Thompson

Affiliation: Polynesian Voyaging Society

Permit Category: Native Hawaiian Practices

Proposed Activity Dates: Aug. 1 - Sep. 30, 2013

Proposed Method of Entry (Vessel/Plane): Vessel

Proposed Locations: Nihoa and Moku Manamana

Estimated number of individuals (including Applicant) to be covered under this permit: 33

Estimated number of days in the Monument: 6

Description of proposed activities: (complete these sentences):

a.) The proposed activity would...
serve multiple purposes. Hōkūleʻa and Hikianalia, two Hawaiian voyaging canoes, are beginning a voyage around the world starting July 1, 2013 by sailing around the Hawaiian Archipelago. The name of the voyage is Mālama Honua, which translates to care for the earth. Starting with Hawai•i shows our commitment and dedication to Hawai•i and allows for her people to connect with the vision and mission of the voyage which is to raise awareness of the status of our oceans. While traveling around the world, the canoes will visit 23 Marine Protected Areas (including Papahānaumokuākea) to highlight their importance and significance as safe holds for the future, so we would like to start with our home Papahānaumokuākea. Coupled with these important reasons stated above, is the location of Nihoa and Mokumanamana which provides excellent training to apprentice navigators to practice the traditional Hawaiian/Polynesian skills of wayfinding (non-instrumental navigation). The main Hawaiian Islands are relatively too close to each other for this type of long-range navigational experience.

b.) To accomplish this activity we would

sail to Nihoa on two double-hulled, 18-meter voyaging canoes Hōkūle‘a and Hikianalia, the same two canoes that will be circumnavigating the world.

c.) This activity would help the Monument by ... meeting a priority within the Monument Management Plan, which includes an activity in support of regular access for Polynesian voyaging canoes for wayfinding, navigational and cultural protocol training. We also note that wayfinding training and traditional voyaging were components of Papahānaumokuākea's successful nomination as a natural and cultural World Heritage site. Having this living tradition continue should be a priority for managers of this Marine World Heritage site.

Other information or background: Hōkūle‘a has made previous, successful voyages into the kupuna islands before they were designated a Monument. This would be the first voyage Hōkūle‘a and Hikianalia would make into Papahānaumokuākea, and it would help to provide a stronger awareness that the entire Hawaiian Archipelago is connected, sacred and worth protecting.