

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: Oscar Valenzuela

Affiliation: KGMB/KHNL/KFVE-TV (dba Hawaii News Now)

Permit Category: Education

Proposed Activity Dates: August-Sept. 2011

Proposed Method of Entry (Vessel/Plane): NOAA Ship Hi'ialakai

Proposed Locations: All points during the proposed activity dates

Estimated number of individuals (including Applicant) to be covered under this permit: 1

Estimated number of days in the Monument: 10

Description of proposed activities: (complete these sentences):

a.) The proposed activity would...

Increase knowledge of and appreciation of Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument by way of a series of news features and a 1/2 hour special, produced by Hawaii News Now (television stations, KGMB, KHNL, KFVE). The Monument entered into an informal partnership with the television stations to help bring attention to the 10th anniversary of the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Coral Reef Ecosystem Reserve as a protection milestone for the Monument.

b.) To accomplish this activity we would

Send one combination reporter/photographer on at least 1/2 of a 2011 research cruise. This person will produce a series of television reports and a special 1/2 hour long documentary featuring scenes from the monument, along with research activities, interviews with scientists, researchers and other key players.

c.) This activity would help the Monument by ...

Broadening knowledge and appreciation of the monument's natural and cultural resources and heritages with the constituency in closest physical proximity to Papahānaumokuākea. Hawaii

News Now is three television stations which combined produce 40 hours of news each week. A successful partnership at this juncture could mean a more formal working arrangement in the future to help the monument spread its stories even wider.

Other information or background: The assigned reporter/photographer would only focus on research that has been discussed in advance and pre-approved after discussion between the PI for this permit and the principal investigator for the research cruise and/or principals designated by Monument leadership.