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(U.S. Naval Base, Pearl Harbor, Naval Station)  
(Building 453K)  
North end of Kuahua Avenue  
Pearl Harbor  
Honolulu County  
Hawaii

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**PHOTOGRAPHS**

**WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA**

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San Francisco, California 94107**

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Location: Building 453K is located at the north end of Kuahua Avenue, Fleet Industrial Supply Center, Pearl Harbor, Honolulu County, Hawaii.

USGS Puuloa Quadrangle, Hawaii  
7.5 Minutes Series (Orthophotoquad)  
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates  
4.609365.2362830 (Scale 1:24,000)

Significance: The Naval Base at Pearl Harbor was designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1964, due to the crucial role it played in the Nation's defense during the twentieth century and the calamitous events which occurred on December 7, 1941. Building 453K is determined to be of minor importance to the historic character of the National Historic Landmark.

Description: Building 453K is a vacant, two-story, 21,460 square feet, irregular shaped structure on a concrete pier foundation with wood columns, beams, sidings, rafters and roof sheathing, and mineral surface roll roofing. The building is 112 feet wide, 233 feet long and 26 feet high. The interior and exterior elements of the building are not significant in terms of historical or architectural characteristic.

History: Building 453K was built in 1942 at a cost of \$282,759 as an office building. There were no drawings of the original building construction. The building had various renovations and repairs. In 1982, window air conditioners were installed to provide cooling comfort for the building personnel, and in 1988, fire sprinklers were installed to correct fire safety code violations. The building occupants had changed through the years. In circa 1944, the building was the Headquarters for Pacific Fleet Commander's for Cruisers, Destroyers, and Destroyer Escorts. Drawings for the Headquarters alternations showed a blackout louver detail for the radio, coding and communication rooms, and a note that all other rooms be provided with double blue denim draw

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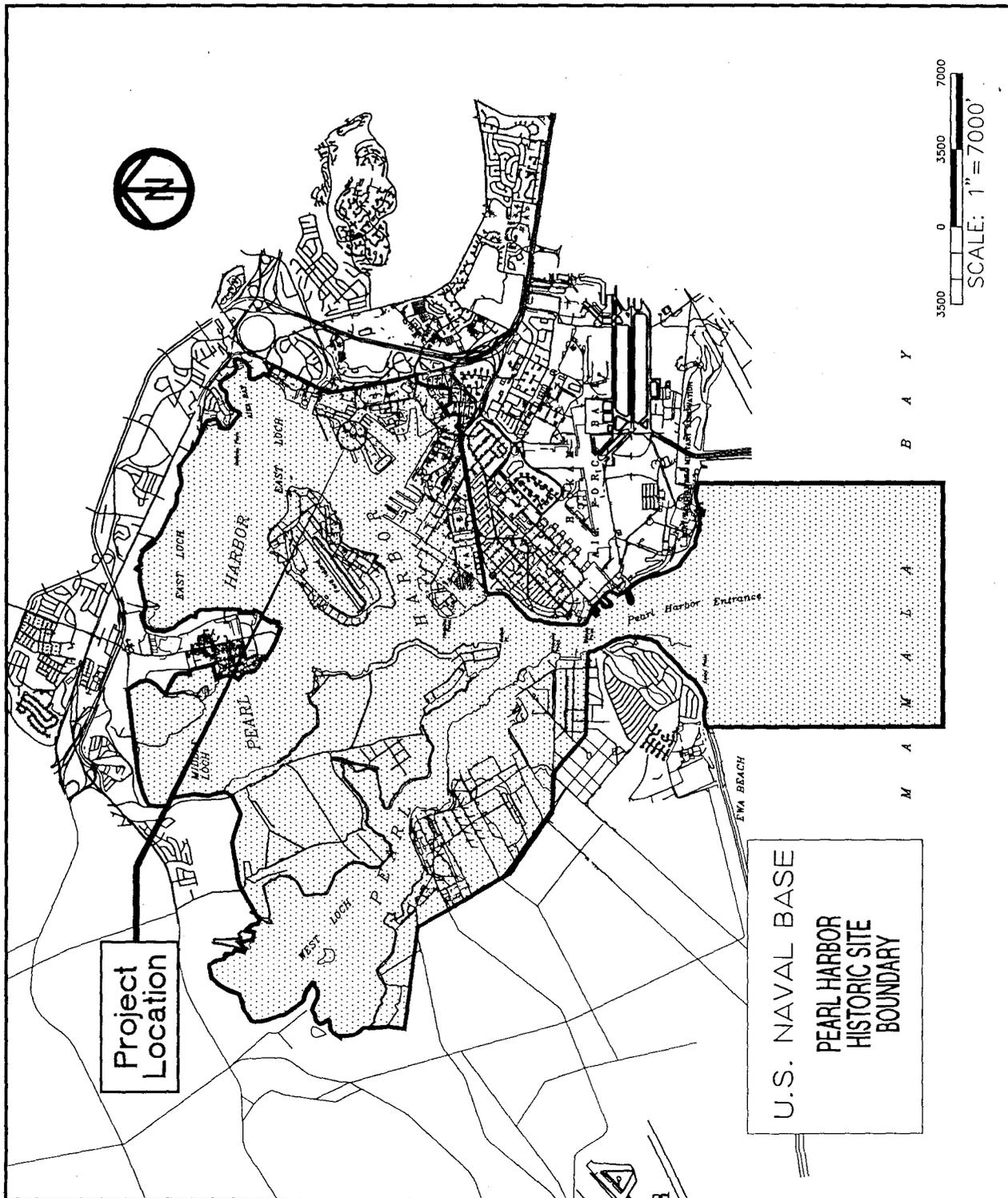
curtains as directed by the Officer in Charge. In circa 1953, the building was converted to Dispensary and offices, and in 1980, Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) used the building for administrative offices. There were also PSD's at Barbers Point, Wahiawa and Subase but in 1995 to 1997, the four PSD's were combined into one central organization (PSD Pearl Harbor) to more efficiently provide administrative support for transient military personnel. This established the largest Personnel Support Detachment in the Navy, and its mission was to effectively provide service for 13,500 service members. In 1998, PSD Pearl Harbor, the last occupant, moved out of Building 453K. Currently, the building is vacant due to deteriorated conditions beyond economical repair.

Sources: Pacific Division Drawings Nos. M-N03-109 through M-N03-112, 515964, 7026971, 7086571 (on microfilm at Pacific Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command Plan File room);  
Navy Public Works Center Drawing No. 7463233 (on microfilm at Navy Public Works Center Engineering Plan File room);  
NAVFAC P-164, Detailed Inventory of Naval Shore Facilities;  
Personnel Support Detachment Pearl Harbor;  
U.S. Naval Base, Pearl Harbor, National Historical Landmark, Historic Preservation Plan, 1978.

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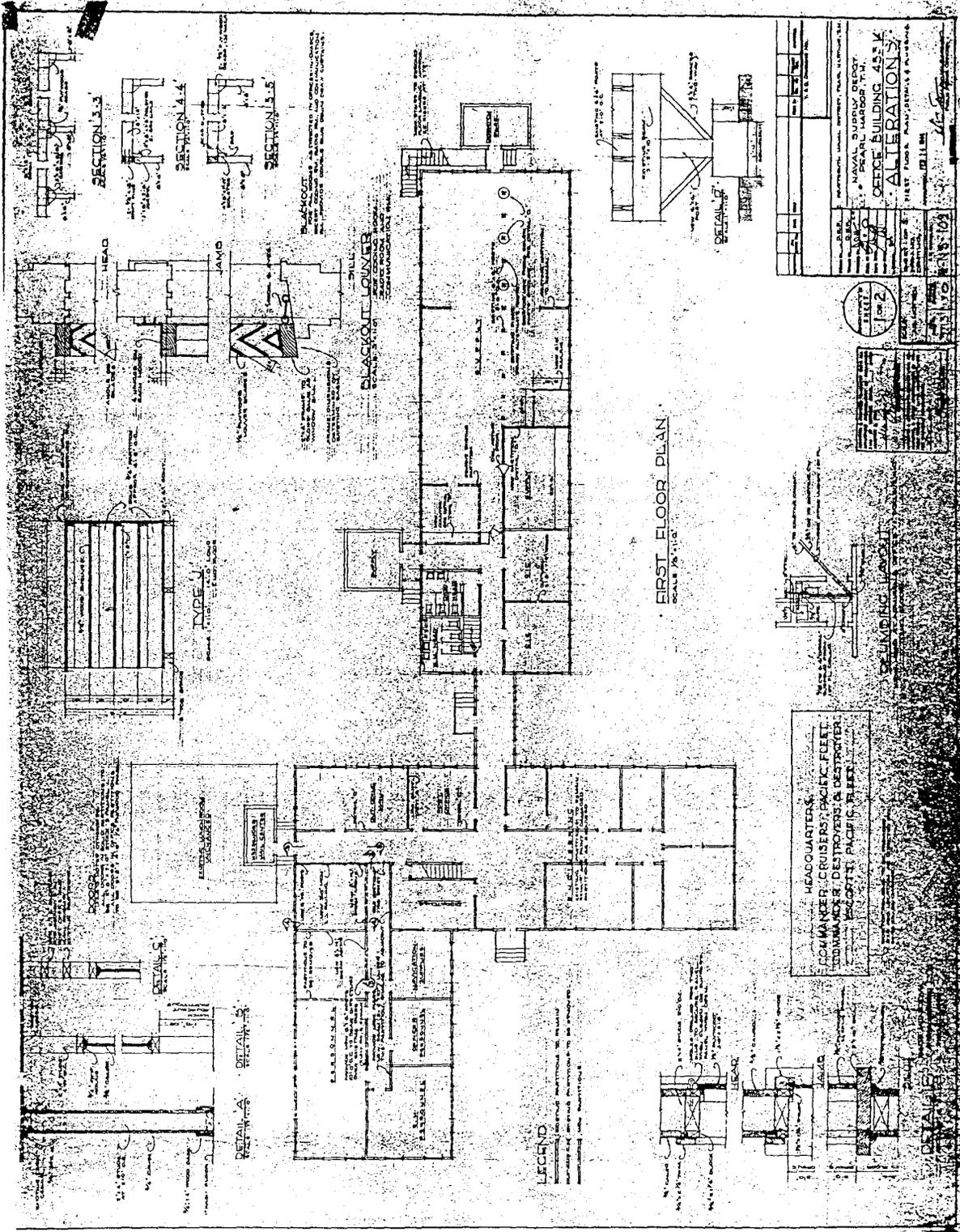


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Pacific Division Drawing No. M-N03-109, Office Building 453K, Alterations,  
 February 14, 1944 (Reduced). Shows first floor plan, details with blackout louver and plumbing.



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