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February 25, 2026

Tom Cook, Chair  
Water and Infrastructure Committee  
County of Maui  
200 S. High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Cook,

**SUBJECT: BILL 1 (2026), AMENDING THE WATER AVAILABILITY POLICY  
ON SUBDIVISION CONSTRUCTION PLANS (WAI-21)**

The Board of Water Supply reviewed the proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WATER AVAILABILITY POLICY AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE ON SUBDIVISION CONSTRUCTION PLANS".

During its discussion at the February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Board determined that it was not prepared to vote on the measure, as members were not clear on what the bill is intended to accomplish. The Board voted to defer action and requested that the maker of the bill present to the Board an explanation of how the proposed measure would save time without altering or creating any legal obligation of the County to developers during the review process.

Please advise our Board Secretary by March 9, 2026, whether you will be able to attend the Board of Water Supply's March 19, 2026 meeting at 1:30 p.m. to provide an explanation and address the Board's questions.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donna D. Sterling".  
Donna D. Sterling, Chair  
Board of Water Supply

cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr  
Director John Stufflebean

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## WAI Committee

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**From:** Sherilyn C. Otsubo <Sherilyn.Otsubo@co.maui.hi.us>  
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Chair Cook,

Attached is the Board of Water Supply's comments on Bill 1, as requested.

Thank you,  
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