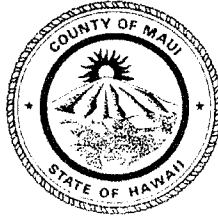


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For Transmittal to:

Michael P. Victorino 5/10/19
Mayor Date

Honorable Tamara Paltin, Chair
Planning and Sustainable Land Use Committee
Maui County Council
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Paltin:

SUBJECT: WAIKAPU COUNTRY TOWN PROJECT (PSLU-30)

Thank you for your May 2, 2019, letter regarding the above-referenced subject. The Department of Water Supply (Department) offers the following responses to your questions:

Wells for the proposed projects would extract groundwater from the Waikapu aquifer. The Department does not draw water or have any current plans to develop wells in this aquifer. However, in 2015 DWS entered a joint funding agreement with the U.S Geological Survey to study groundwater availability in the Waikapu, Iao and Waihee aquifers to assist in well development and pumping decisions. When available, the results of this study can guide future sustainable withdrawals from the Waikapu aquifer. Water supply from the Waikapu aquifer will supplement, rather than negatively impact the County's ability to provide water in Central Maui for planned growth.

We hope you find this information useful. Should further clarification be necessary, please contact me at Ext. 7834.

Sincerely,

JEFFREY T. PEARSON, P.E.
Director

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