

## EACP Committee

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Aloha Council

I'm writing in strong support of the RFI from Hawaii Taro Farm.

Citizens of Maui realize that the people of Hawaii are Food Insecure. This proposal when developed will be a big step for creating diversified agriculture on Maui. This plan is a bright light in a declining sector of our economy.

Bobby Pahia is a proven grower who has grown food for decades both conventionally and regeneratively. Bobby Pahia is that rare bridge that has experienced the spectrum of today's agricultural industry.

Planning is critical for success. Scaling up in agriculture is the most challenging step for creating a vibrant sector. In this plan, Bobby Pahia comprehensively lists and describes the action steps and the needs to successfully produce food for Maui County.

Bobby's year's of experience in Agriculture has empowered him to boldly plan for the next step in Food Security for Maui County. Within 5 years of this plans enactment, Maui County will benefit in multiple ways. Of course fresh food will be the #1 benefit and of equal benefit will be the metrics gained from the learning process of enacting this plan. Future initiatives for food production will stand on the shoulders of this project.

Food Security is a possibility for Maui County and all of Hawaii. This plan is realistic and a wonderful opportunity.

Mahalo  
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