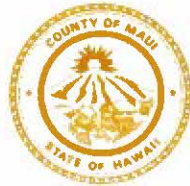


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August 20, 2024

Tamara Paltin, Chair
Disaster, Resilience, International Affairs and Planning Committee
Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Chair Paltin:

SUBJECT: Response to FIRE PREVENTION (DRIP-2(10))

Thank you for your inquiry and my sincere apology for not replying by your requested deadline. Please note that the Administration is open to discussing a collaborative approach on fire prevention for the County, as well as, a Budget amendment to provide the resources needed to implement.

In addition to COM Fire and Fire Prevention, the Mayor, Managing Director and the MEMA Administrator have prioritized hazard mitigation. As an example, the MEMA Administrator is working in coordination with the State on a total fire mitigation plan, including leveraging needed resources. Additional information will be shared with the Council as it becomes available.

The County departments will need to be included on the approach and implementation plan and we will need to consult the Unions as needed.

We look forward to the opportunity to discuss a collaborative approach.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard T. Bissen Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Richard T. Bissen Jr.
Mayor
County of Maui

DRIP Committee

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