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APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

May 8, 2025

Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr. Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair and Members of the Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET (APPENDIX A, PART I, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION)

On behalf of the Office of the Mayor and the Department of Environmental Management, I am transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI, APPENDIX A, PART I, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget, Appendix A, Part I, Grants and Restricted Use Revenues – Schedule of Grants and Restricted Use Revenues by Departments and Programs for Fiscal Year 2025, Office of the Mayor, to delete the appropriation for United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation in the amount of \$1,180,224

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and to add a new grant appropriation under the Department of Environmental Management entitled United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, in the amount of \$16,802,237.

These funds were initially included under the Office of the Mayor as the Office of Economic Development was responsible for the SAM.gov account that was used to submit the application. Since that time, the County has consolidated all applications to one SAM.gov account and there are no longer Department specific accounts. This amendment will place the funding under the Department who will be receiving the reimbursements.

The additional funds were initially included in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, but the Administration received notice from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation that additional funding for this project would be available sooner than anticipated. As this grant has a retroactive period of performance, the County will be able to draw on these funds as soon as they are added to the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget.

Finally, the Administration would request the Council's consideration of an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget, Appendix A, Part I, Department of Environmental Management, to reduce the amount to \$3,000,000 and change the name from "Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART: Title XVI Authorized Grant" to "United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation" for consistency.

As the funder has advised the Administration that it should draw on these funds as soon as possible, floor action is requested. Should you have any questions, please contact me at ext. 8239.

Sincerely

LESLEY MILNER
Budget Director

Attachment

cc: Cynthia Lallo, Chief of Staff
Shayne Agawa, Director of Environmental Management