

IEM Committee

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To the IEM Committee:

I am Michael Atwood from the Wailea Golf Courses. I am also the Vice President of the Hawaii Chapter of the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of America. I am here today on behalf of all the Maui golf courses that use the Maui dune sand to maintain our courses. I surveyed all our Maui courses and we came up with an annual tonnage use of 2,000 tons or about 90 semi-truck loads resulting in \$135,000 in local commerce. The Maui dune sand fits our needs and is affordable for us. The alternative sands must be imported and will cost an additional \$170/ton driving our costs up by \$340,000 which we cannot afford. We are hoping you will allow the mining to resume for local use and there are immediate needs as the courses are all aerating their greens at this point in our season.

Yours truly,

Michael Atwood