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May 16, 2024

Ms. Kate Blystone, Director Department of Planning County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. Blystone:

## SUBJECT: WETLANDS OVERLAY MAP (ADEPT-1(18))

Thank you for your Department's participation in the Agriculture, Diversification, Environment, and Public Transportation Committee meeting of May 13, 2024.

May I please request your response to the following:

- 1. Please indicate whether there is a process for a property owner to request to be included or removed from the draft Wetlands Overlay Map. If so, what is it? Please include a list of property owners who have made this request.
- 2. Please explain the criteria used to designate a property as a wetland. What type of field work is done at the property to make that designation? Were all properties visited in person?
- 3. Was an economic impact survey conducted in relation to the draft Wetlands Overlay Map? Please explain.
- 4. What work has been done with the Department of Public Works to acquire land in the drainage area, as indicated in the South Maui Drainage Master Plan?
- 5. Please explain whether historical and cultural resources are used to identify wetlands areas, including historic wetlands that may require restoration. Please also share whether any significant sites

proposed by the community were excluded and the reason for their exclusion.

- 6. Please explain why the subdivision drainage infrastructure referenced in the attachment is included within the boundaries of the wetland areas.
- 7. How will the Wetlands Overlay Map help create the Wetlands Overlay District?
- 8. Does the Department intend to submit legislation for a change in zoning following the finalization of the Wetlands Overlay Map? If so, what is the anticipated timeline for submitting this legislation?
- 9. Please share a copy of the flyer indicating the Department's meeting dates on the Wetlands Overlay Map.

Please submit your written response to adept.committee@mauicounty.us by **May 29, 2024.** To ensure efficient processing, please include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Sam Tanck at ext. 7140, or Maria Leon at ext. 7866).

Sincerely,

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GABE JOHNSON, Chair Agriculture, Diversification, Environment, and Public Transportation Committee

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Attachment

cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr.

