

The purpose of the proposed bill is to authorize the Mayor to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with DLNR for a ROE to a parcel situated in Olowalu to be used for the Lahaina Wildfire Final Disposition project.

On Friday, October 27, 2023, the Board of Land and Natural Resources (“BLNR”) approved the issuance of an Immediate ROE to the County of Maui for wildfire debris landfill and ancillary purposes.

The County of Maui was granted a ROE permit to utilize parcels identified as Tax Map Key (2) 4-8-003:007 and (2) 4-8-003:008 (por.) consisting of 52 acres and 0.7 acre, respectively. The ROE shall be effective upon the County’s execution of this BLNR approved immediate management ROE and shall expire in one year or upon execution of the set-aside of government lands by Governor’s Executive Order for the Proposed Lahaina Wildfire Final Disposition Project site, whichever occurs first. The BLNR Chairperson is authorized to continue the ROE for additional one-year periods for good cause shown by the County.

May I request that you expedite your review and action of the proposed bill at your Council meeting on November 20, 2023. This would allow the Department to continue its process in securing and developing the site with its partner agencies. Further, I will be available at the meeting to answer any questions that the Council may have on this matter.

Thank you for your consideration of my request and should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at ext. 8230.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shayne R. Agawa". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

SHAYNE R. AGAWA, P.E.
Director of Environmental Management

Attachments