

AH Committee

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To: AH Committee
Subject: Deny Makila Farms
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Aloha e Council,

Please see my attached letter for why I think you should not allow 201-H for Makila Farms.

Mahalo,
Charlie Palakiko

Aloha e council,

My name is Charlie Palakiko, I am a kuleana land owner and have been farming kalo in Kaua'ula valley. This year was the first year that the water stopped flowing in our steam, killing many native species. We've already been running into water issues for years and this development hasn't even started.

In 2018, CWRM decision set an IIFS for Kaua'ula steam to reach 3.36 million gallons per day within a few years. It's been over a year and we still haven't reached half of the requirements of CWRM yet, and they're still trying to develop more.

The developers are saying they are getting a well that will support this development. What is the purpose of us restoring the steam flow when they are digging wells and pumping water before we can fully restore our stream which recharges the aquifer? How is this going to help our water in the future, maintaining native life, steam flow and expanding our farming? There has to be a limit on how many wells are permitted in this area.

We've been farming for over 25 years and we still haven't found a solution. Water is still running low in the patches

we have now. Is there anyway this development is going to make this situation better? Allowing this 201-H most definitely won't improve these issues. Prove to us that your development is not going to mess up our environment. Show us an EIS report proving our environment won't be impacted.

I humbly ask you to deny fast tracking this development.

Thank you.