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November 3, 2023

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**APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL**

11.6.23  
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Mayor Date

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Yuki Lei K. Sugimura  
Chair, Budget, Finance and Economic Development Committee  
Maui County Council  
200 South High Street  
Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Chair Sugimura,

**SUBJECT: BILL 98 (2023), AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET:  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT  
(CENTRAL MAUI LANDFILL LAND PURCHASE) (BFED-42)**

In response to your request for information dated October 27, 2023, your request and the corresponding answers are provided below by the Department of Environmental Management (DEM).

1. **Please provide a copy of the appraisal report for the new property the Department is proposing to purchase.**

DEM is currently working with the Dept. of Finance to obtain an appraisal report for the property that we are planning to purchase for the next portion of the Central

Maui Landfill (CML) expansion. Our understanding is that the Dept. of Finance has already procured the services of a land appraisal consultant and anticipates to have the final appraisal report provided to them in approx. 2-3 weeks.

**2. Please provide your anticipated timeline for the development of the new property from acquisition to the parcel becoming an operational landfill site.**

DEM is currently working through a complex process for the land acquisition. We are in discussion with the private land owner of 48.820 acres with a proposal to purchase that piece of property. The land owner requested the County to provide an appraisal report for the 48.820 acre prior to continuing discussions. As mentioned above, we anticipate to have the final appraisal report in approx. 2-3 weeks. If the land owner agrees to sell the property to the County, the County will first need to subdivide the 48.820 acres from a larger parcel. DEM would then go through the steps of land acquisition which includes approval from the County Council.

Once the 48.820 acres has been purchased from the land owner, the County would then subdivide the 48.820 acres into two (2) smaller parcels of approx. 25.0 acres and 23.8 acres.

DEM has also currently been in discussion with the private land owners of CML Phase VI regarding a land swap between a portion of the recently acquired 48.820 acres (approx. 23.8 acres) for the CML Phase VI parcel (19.633 acres).

If both of these proposals succeed, the County would ultimately own CML Phase VI via a land swap along with approx. 25.0 acres directly adjacent to CML Phase VI. The remaining 23.8 acres out of the 48.820 acres will then be owned by the previous land owner of CML Ph VI via the land swap.

Assuming all of this is completed, the following is the anticipated timeline to have CML Ph VI in operation:

Best Case = Approx. 2 years  
Worst Case = Approx. 5 years

**In addition, Section 3.44.015(C), Maui County Code, requires that the Council authorize by resolution the acquisition of real property with a purchase price that exceeds \$250,000. Please transmit the necessary resolution for the acquisition of the new property to the Council.**

Resolution will be submitted later.

Honorable Yuki Lei K. Sugimura  
November 3, 2023  
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Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with information on this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to transmit them to the Department of Environmental Management via transmittal through the Office of the Mayor.

Sincerely,



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**From:** Lesley Milner <Lesley.J.Milner@co.maui.hi.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 6, 2023 11:23 AM  
**To:** BFED Committee  
**Cc:** Josiah Nishita; Keanu LauHee; Kekuhaupio Akana; Maria Zielinski; Michelle Santos; Shayne Agawa; James G. Krueger; Yvette Bouthillier  
**Subject:** BFED-42 Response from DEM  
**Attachments:** BFED-42 DEM Response.pdf

Aloha,

I am transmitting the attached correspondence on behalf of the Department of Environmental Management. Thank you very much!

-Lesley

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