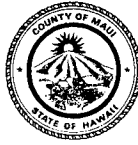


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August 15, 2017

Mr. William Spence, Director
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County of Maui
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Dear Mr. Spence:

**SUBJECT: MORATORIUM ON EXPORTING SAND, THE MAUI
INLAND SAND RESOURCE QUANTIFICATION STUDY
AND SAND MINING REGULATION (IEM-33)**

At its meeting of August 14, 2017, the Council's Infrastructure and Environmental Management Committee discussed declaring a moratorium on sand mining within Central Maui.

The Committee noted that the affected area of the moratorium should include such areas that are environmentally, historically, and culturally significant.

Therefore, in an effort to identify and clarify sensitive areas that should be included in the moratorium, may I respectfully request that you respond to the following:

1. The "Implementing Actions" within the Cultural Resources section of the Wailuku-Kahului Community Plan states: "Implement a historic and cultural overlay ordinance to provide protection for areas with significant archaeological, historical, and cultural resources." Has this overlay been completed? If not, what is its status? If it has been completed, please provide the overlay and related documentation.

2. The "Implementing Actions" also state: "The Cultural Resources Commission shall update, and the Council shall adopt, the County Cultural Resources Management Plan to further identify specific and

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significant cultural resources in the region and provide strategies for preservation and enhancement.” The information included in such an analysis is essential to our efforts in preserving cultural sites and resources. Has the Department assessed the significant cultural resources and developed strategies in the Wailuku-Kahului region for preservation and enhancement of these resources?

3. The Cultural Resources section of the Community Plan also states: “The Department of Planning has (or will obtain from the State Historic Preservation Division) maps indicating the general location of Wailuku-Kahului region sites.” The sites the Community Plan is referencing include: Waihee Dunes and Archaeology Complex, burial sites along Lower Main, Pu`u One Sand Formation, and coastal dunes from the airport to the Baldwin Park; the mapping of these sites would be valuable to regulating sand mining in Central Maui. Have these maps been obtained or completed? If not, provide the status of completion for this project. If the maps have been completed, please transmit them to the Committee along with other related material and information.

Thank you for your consideration of this request, may I also request that you provide your written response by **Tuesday, August 29, 2017**.

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 (Gary Saldana at ext. 7137, or Stacey Vinoray at ext. 8006).

Sincerely



ELLE COCHRAN, Chair
Infrastructure and Environmental
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cc: Mayor Alan M. Arakawa