

## AH Committee

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**Cc:** Mary Jane  
**Subject:** We support Makila Farms!

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RE: Support Makila Farms

Dear Chair,

We have rented in Launiupoko for several years. We have been waiting for a chance to own our own home in Launiupoko. We support workforce housing. Makila Farms will give us and others such as teachers a chance to live in this beautiful agricultural community. This development is an innovative, affordable, well designed project. We have reviewed the issues for the past two years since Makila Kai was introduced. We feel that water, wastewater, traffic, fire and zoning have been addressed in the Makila Farms proposal.

I do not want the West Maui Community Action Committee( CPAC) to delay this or any other project that has any affordable housing in West Maui.

There is a dwindling to non-existent middle class here on Maui. We are a professional, highly-educated middle-aged married mother and father of 2 who cannot find a place to live. We cannot afford to buy a house in this market, nor can we afford to rent any longer. We don't need more condominiums with expensive HOA's. We need homes with space to raise our families and grow a garden and enjoy what little time we have after working to be outside. Look around at the state of housing here. Multiple families are living together to make ends meet; Mothers and fathers are having to work multiple jobs; large families are squeezing into 1 and 2 bedrooms. Renters have the added expenses of having to move every year to chase an affordable home.

You should approve Makila Farms for so many reasons, among them:

Greg Brown is a trusted builder with years of experience on the island and can get the project done and done right.

Makila Farms has addressed the following community concerns:

### All Agricultural lots (2+ acres)

- **No changes or exemptions to the existing land use designations;**

- o No State Land Use District Boundary Amendment
- o No exemption to the West Maui Community Plan
- o Conforms with Agricultural Zoning development standards (expect for minimum lot width)

- **Preserves the character of the area**, allows for small-scale agricultural uses, homeowner gardens, and other agricultural uses to enable self-sufficiency and promote sustainability
- **No stream water from Kaua’ula or Launiupoko Streams used**—Makila Farms will drill its own non-potable well for irrigation water
- **No conventional septic tanks:**

- o Aerobic treatment unit (ATU) technology used to provide a higher level of wastewater treatment than standard septic-type wastewater Systems
- o ATUs treat water using the same processes as a municipal treatment plant
- o In compliance with all State of Hawai’i Department of Health standards

- **Fire Safety and good Egress routes.**

- o Fire hydrants placed every 350 feet, closer than the required 500’
- o 5 asphalt fire breaks (roads) around and within Makila Farms
- o Multiple existing emergency egress routes

- **Drainage and protection of ocean waters:**

- o Two new oversized retention basins will greatly exceed County requirements
- o The basins will retain runoff from Makila Farms and upstream mauka properties to improve downstream drainage conditions:
  - Existing flows from mauka lands and the site will be reduced by approximately 60% (based on a “10-year” storm), decreasing the amount of storm water flowing downstream toward the ocean and decreasing the risk of downstream flooding
  - By capturing and holding stormwater storm water flows, the basins will reduce the amount of sediment and pollutants flowing downstream toward the ocean

The Makila Farms Community is 80% open space.

Makila Farms is ready to begin. Last I heard, there were over 225 of us on the waiting list for these 19 homes. Unfortunately, we will have to leave the island if more homes do not become available for the people (us) supporting this economy.

If there is no affordable housing nor the opportunity for home ownership, who will work at the hotels, stores, restaurants, schools, banks and provide the other services on this island? The island cannot survive on retirees and tourists alone.

We highly recommend that this project be approved based upon all factors as it is an overwhelming benefit to our island, it's people and our community.

Thank you for giving your consideration to this well thought out affordable development.

Sincerely,--

🌺 Aloha pumehana,

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