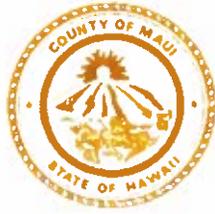


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Richard T. Bissen, Jr. 8-5-24
Mayor **Date**

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Tom Cook, Chair
Water and Infrastructure Committee
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

SUBJECT: COUNTY PERMIT PROCESSING EFFICIENCIES
(WAI 1-1(16))

Dear Chair Cook:

The Department of Housing is in receipt of your letter dated July 31, 2024, requesting a response to questions raised by WAI Committee members during the July 25 committee meeting. The Department of Housing's responses are as follows:

1. Please outline your Department's progress on preapproved permitting for modular homes.

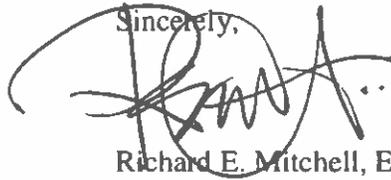
It is the Department of Housing's understanding that the Department of Public Works is working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to pre-approve its modular home units for permanent use. The Department of Housing does not have a program to work on the pre-approved permitting of modular homes. May the Department of Housing recommend that the Department of Public Works be invited to respond to this inquiry?

2. Has the Department considered developing a list of preapproved design plans that could be used as template for accessory dwelling units or modular homes? If yes, please provide a status update. If no, please explain why not.

It is the Department of Housing's understanding that the Department of Public Works is considering pre-approved permitted designs for dwelling units. The Department of Housing does not have a program to develop pre-approved designs for accessory dwelling units or modular homes. May the Department of Housing recommend that the Department of Public Works be invited to respond to this inquiry?

Should you have further questions, please contact me or the Department at (808) 270-7153 or email me at richard.e.mitchell@co.maui.hi.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Mitchell', with a large, sweeping flourish on the left side.

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