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October 2, 2025

Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr.  
Mayor, County of Maui  
200 South High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

 10-2-25  
Mayor Date

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair  
and Members of the Maui County Council  
200 South High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET  
(INCREASING ESTIMATED REVENUES, OTHER  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL BY \$64,469,830, CAPITAL  
IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, DEPARTMENT OF WATER  
SUPPLY, COUNTYWIDE, AND APPENDIX C, DEPARTMENT  
OF WATER SUPPLY, COUNTYWIDE, NEW APPROPRIATION  
FOR \$64,469,830)**

On behalf of the Department of Water Supply, I am transmitting the following:

- 1) A proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET, INCREASING ESTIMATED REVENUES, OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL BY \$64,469,830, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, COUNTYWIDE, AND APPENDIX C, DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, COUNTYWIDE, NEW APPROPRIATION FOR \$64,469,830 FOR COUNTYWIDE WILDFIRE DISASTER RELIEF PROJECTS."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Budget to 1) increase Estimated Revenues, Other Intergovernmental by \$64,469,830; 2) amend Capital Improvement Projects for Department of Water Supply, Countywide, State Revolving Loan Fund to add an appropriation for Countywide Wildfire Disaster Relief Projects in the amount of \$64,469,830; 3) increase the Total Capital Improvement Project Appropriations and Total Appropriations by the same amount; and 4) add a new project and project description to Appendix C, Department of Water Supply, Countywide, for Countywide Wildfire Disaster Relief Projects in the amount of \$64,469,830.

- 2) A proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR A LOAN FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII'S DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND FOR COUNTYWIDE WILDFIRE DISASTER RELIEF PROJECTS, FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET ORDINANCE."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to authorize the Mayor to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to finance Countywide wildfire disaster relief projects, with funds not to exceed \$64,469,830.

These funds will be used for design and construction for projects including: Waipuka and Kanaha Wells MCC and Electrical Upgrades with Emergency Generator, Lahaina Water Line Improvement Project, Launiupoko L1 and L3 exploratory and development phase, Mahinahina backup well development, and Honolua H1 and H2 exploratory and development phase. The Department of Water Supply has stated that they can encumber the funds by December of 2026.

The Administration is requesting final action on these bills by December 31, 2025 in order to have 90 percent principal forgiveness on the loan.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at ext. 8239.

Sincerely,



LESLEY MILNER  
Budget Director

Attachments

cc: John Stuffiebean, Director of Water Supply