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F R O M: Shane M. Sinenci, Chair   
Environmental, Agricultural, and Cultural Preservation Committee

SUBJECT: **TRANSMITTAL OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL RELATING TO  
PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF EAST MAUI STREAMS**  
(EACP-22)

The attached legislative proposal pertains to Item 22 on the Committee's agenda.

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Attachment

# Resolution

No. \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZING THE COUNCIL CHAIR TO  
PROVIDE COMMENTS ON A DRAFT  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR  
THE EAST MAUI WATER LEASE

WHEREAS, the Office of Environmental Quality Control is charged with enforcing Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to Environmental Impact Statements; and

WHEREAS, the regulations for disposition of water rights by long-term leases, including the preparation of Environmental Impact Statements, ensure public accountability; and

WHEREAS, Alexander & Baldwin Inc. and East Maui Irrigation Company, Limited submitted a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the East Maui Water Lease, as referenced in "The Environmental Notice," published by the OEQC on September 23, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Sections 11-200-3 and 11-200-15, Hawaii Administrative Rules, require public notice of the Draft EIS to allow the public to submit comments on the Draft EIS during the 45-day public comment period; and

WHEREAS, if granted, the proposed lease will likely have widespread impacts across Maui; and,

WHEREAS, to fulfill its duty to represent the people of the County of Maui, the Council would like to provide comments on the Draft EIS, reflecting or including questions, concerns, and affirmations of its constituents as expressed in public testimony; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it hereby authorizes the Council Chair to provide comments to the Office of Environmental Quality Control on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the East Maui Water Lease on behalf of, and reflecting or including the testimony received by, the Maui County Council; and

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2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Michael P. Victorino, Mayor, County of Maui.

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