

## AH Committee

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Aloha pumehana,

I am a student in the Sustainable Science Management program at UHMC. I am writing to humbly ask you to please deny the proposal for the Makila Farms Housing project. This 201-H mechanism is just a way for these developers to fast track their projects and bypass the normal process that respects zoning and community plans. This is a slap in the face for our community, and it is the last thing Maui needs right now. This is not the right type of housing project we need, and this is just a money-making scheme.

This project does not conform with the West Maui Community Plan, and does not align with what the West Maui community wants. This is NOT an affordable housing project, residents who earn a low-income wage would not be able to afford a home here.

This project will only increase traffic in an already heavily trafficked area. This project will reduce groundwater recharge and quality, and reduce the amount of freshwater our island has. This project will also increase run-off, negatively affecting our stream and ocean ecosystems. This project depletes the native habitat when we should be restoring it. This project will use more fossil fuels, and not contribute to fixing climate change.

This project will add more septic tanks, adding even more pollution to our groundwater. We need more forward-thinking solutions like compost toilets and recycled wastewater systems. We need to address REAL farming and TRUE local food security. But this project does not address any of these, and therefore should be DENIED.

This area is already prone to fires, and creating more housing and traffic here would be extremely dangerous for our community. Should we wait before someone dies in their home before we stop building in these disaster-prone areas? Or are you actually going to listen to the community instead of developers? This project is not even walkable to schools, work, and necessities.

All of the examples stated above are clear reasons why we need to deny this project. Maui deserves a well thought out project that will TRULY benefit our local community, not just a select few wealthy people and developers.

Please do the right thing, and fight for a better Maui with your vote.

Mahalo nui loa for all your work and for reading my email.

Sincerely,

Paula