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Lieutenant Colonel Adrian Biggerstaff, Ph.D., P.E., PMP
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Via Email: Adrian.O.Biggerstaff@usace.army.mil

Dear Lieutenant Colonel Biggerstaff:

**SUBJECT: TRANSPORT OF NONHAZARDOUS LAHAINA
WILDFIRE DEBRIS FROM OLOWALU TO CENTRAL
MAUI LANDFILL (WAI-1(3))**

Thank you for participating in the Maui County Council's Water and Infrastructure Committee's meeting of June 4, 2025.

May I please request your response to the following:

1. Please confirm the specific wind speed and duration thresholds that would trigger a halt in transport operations (e.g., sustained winds of 25 mph for 15 minutes). How are those thresholds determined, and will the public be notified in real time, both when operations pause and when they resume?
2. In the event of a hurricane or other natural hazard, what protocols would determine the shutdown of operations? How will coordination with the Maui County Emergency Management Agency and other County, State, or Federal agencies take place?

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3. Will the temporary improvements made to roads, crossings, and baseyard infrastructure be retained after operations conclude or will they be removed and returned to pre-operation conditions? Please explain.
4. Has USACE considered integrating environmental factors, such as King Tides and surf conditions, and localized cultural factors, such as rainbow viewing and marine wildlife viewing, into the daily assessment of operational feasibility? Please explain.

May I further request you transmit your response to wai.committee@mauicounty.us by **July 1, 2025**. To ensure efficient processing, please include WAI-1(3) in the subject line.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Keone J. Hurdle at 808-270-7659, or Lori Ann M. Tengan at 808-270-7147).

Sincerely,



TOM COOK, Chair
Water and Infrastructure Committee

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