

APT Committee

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Aloha Chair Sinenci and Councilmembers,

This is Mavis Oliveira-Medeiros, Staff for Chair Sinenci and I wanted to write in support of this bill. We are currently dealing with a new Buyer purchasing a piece of land in Hana and using a machine to push rocks, pull tall trees, then using a chipper to chip the trees covering the area very near or on top of an area with three “complexes.” One of them could be a heiau called Kaluanui.

We had to call the Archaeologist and file an rfs in order to have someone come and investigate, so this is highly necessary as the person doing the work noted to us that he: “did all the research and according to what he found, he doesn’t need a permit and is not near any sacred sites.” Two days later, the Archaeologist and DOCARE Officer was there to investigate and a stop work order was issued. We’re very appreciative of this Cultural Overlay map so these kinds of Development gets stopped in its tracks before any damage is done.

If there is one thing I could ask, it is that more research is done besides what’s already recorded with SHPD. Doing research with KIPUKA, one can easily pull up most or all of this information, although the average person may not be able to detect whether it’s a medium or high cultural sensitivity area. Once the Lidar is available, it would be nice to do the Overlay and discover new sites not found before or yet and to see more details.

Keep up the good work!

Mahalo nui,

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