



BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY
COUNTY OF MAUI
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February 23, 2021

Honorable Michael P. Victorino
Mayor, County of Maui
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mayor Victorino:

**SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY'S PROPOSED FISCAL
YEAR 2022 BUDGET**

On February 18, 2021, the Board of Water Supply approved submitting the following comments regarding the FY 2022 budget prepared by the Department of Water Supply to the Mayor:

As we wrote to you on February 5, 2020 about the FY 2021 Department of Water Supply's budget, as a Board, we continue to strongly support the restructuring of domestic and agricultural water rates in the FY 2022 budget in order to support appropriate water usage and to increase resources for funding of conservation, including, but not limited to, addressing infrastructure leaks as well as encouraging individual conservation behavior.

Therefore, if any restructuring of the rates can be integrated into the FY 2022 budget, we would strongly support that process. Please note as well, that the Board is currently researching domestic and agricultural rates and may be presenting recommendations regarding new rates in the near future.

"By Water All Things Find Life"

As we noted last year, we continue to support broader adaptations at the Water Department for climate crisis planning, increasing the engineering budget to address clearing the water meter list at a faster rate and studies for alternatives to the use of potable water for agriculture.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Chan Hodges', written in a cursive style.

Shay Chan Hodges
Chair, Maui County Board of Water Supply

cc: Jeffrey T. Pearson, Director
Helene Kau, Deputy Director
Councilmember Shane Sinenci, Chair, Agriculture and the Public Trust Committee
Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, Chair, Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee

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BFED Committee

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Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 2:21 PM
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Subject: FY 2022 Budget
Attachments: FY2022 Budget Letter.pdf

Please see the attached letter from Chair Shay Chan Hodges, Board of Water Supply.

Thank you,
Sherilyn

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