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August 7, 2024

Mr. Josiah Nishita, Director
Office of Recovery
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Nishita:

SUBJECT: **MAUI WILDFIRE EXPOSURE COHORT STUDY**
(WASSP-1(14))

Thank you for sending a representative to participate in the Water Authority, Social Services, and Parks Committee's discussion of August 5, 2024, on this important matter.

As part of the discussion, a need to build trust with those impacted by the August 2023 wildfires was mentioned. Organizations have found success in building trust through community partnerships, one-on-one interactions, and increased transparency.

May I please request you outline the steps the Recovery Support Functions within the Office of Recovery have taken in their work to increase trust between constituents and Maui County following the August 2023 wildfires?

May I further request you transmit your response to wassp.committee@mauicounty.us by **August 20, 2024**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the Committee item number in the subject line.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Clarissa MacDonald at ext. 7135, or Criselda Paranada at ext. 7668).

Mr. Josiah Nishita
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shane M. Sinenci". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Shane" being more prominent.

SHANE M. SINENCI, Chair
Water Authority, Social Services, and
Parks Committee

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cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr.

WASSP Committee

From: WASSP Committee
Sent: Wednesday, August 7, 2024 9:21 AM
To: Josiah Nishita
Cc: 'Michelle Santos'; 'Zeke Kalua'; Cynthia Sasada
Subject: Maui Wildfire Exposure Cohort Study (WASSP-1(14))
Attachments: 001(14)aor01.pdf

Managing Director: Please refer to the attached letter from WASSP Committee Chair Sinenci, dated August 7, 2024. Please respond by August 20, 2024.

Mayor's Office: FYI

Mahalo,
WASSP Committee