

IT Committee

From: Yukilei Sugimura
Sent: Wednesday, November 24, 2021 5:05 PM
To: IT Committee
Cc: Laksmi M. Abraham; Clarita Balala
Subject: Fw: Step-by-step plan for Makani Baseyard

Aloha IT Staff,

Forwarding the following email from Darlene Rayhill as testimony for IT-67.

Mahalo,

Jordan Helle
for Councilmember Sugimura

From: Darlene Rayhill <darlene@ohanafilms.com>
Sent: Friday, October 29, 2021 12:03 PM
To: Yukilei Sugimura <Yukilei.Sugimura@mauicounty.us>; Mike J. Molina <Mike.Molina@mauicounty.us>
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Subject: Step-by-step plan for Makani Baseyard

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Dear Councilmembers Mike Molina and Yuki Lei Sugimura,

As a followup to my other email laying out the reasons myself and our community would like to see these changes - here are the changes we are formally requesting:

1. Certify Post-Closure of the Makani Landfill:

Makani Landfill Post Closure Plan - http://oeqc2.doh.hawaii.gov/EA_EIS_Archive/1991-08-23-MA-FEA-Makani-Landfill-Closure.pdf

EPA Requirements:

<https://archive.epa.gov/epawaste/nonhaz/municipal/web/html/mswclose.html>

"At the end of the post-closure care period, the owner/operator must certify that the post-closure care has been completed in accordance with the official post-closure care plan. This certification must be signed by an independent, registered professional engineer or the state director. Once signed, the certification is placed in the facility's operating record."

2. Move the heavy construction activity, piles of gravel, and staging currently located in the open area of the Makawao Baseyard to the Makani Landfill:

Move this:



Over here, to this much more appropriate area, away from homes...surrounded by ag land:



3. Remove the dust barrier behind our homes, so we can fully enjoy the Makawao rainbows again.



Those three steps would make this neighborhood happy because it would relieve us of the most offending activity. This could all be put into motion quickly, as the post closure should be finalized as soon as possible to give the county the option to use the land. The fence budget could be moved from the Makawao Baseyard to the Makani Landfill before finalizing the budget as well.

After this happens, other steps should include:

1. Moving garbage trucks to the Makani Landfill so that they are more appropriately placed (not 20 feet from children's bedroom windows)
2. Building green energy (solar) truck-ports to house the trucks and create a free energy source for the new baseyard.
3. Turning the current Makawao Baseyard grassy area into an upcountry park, which would be a much better fit for this community and for the children of Makawao.
4. Perhaps the office area stays and could house other county departments in addition to Transportation in the fenced area of the Makawao Baseyard.

Thank you so much Yuki Lei, Mike, and Laura for all of your continued help.

Aloha,
Darlene

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