## **WIT.Committee**

From: County Clerk

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**To:** WIT.Committee

**Subject:** FW: Proposed Ha'ikū water well drilling.

From: Barbara Barry <begoniabarry@gmail.com><br/>
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Subject: Proposed Ha'ikū water well drilling.

Aloha Chair Lee and Maui County Council members,

- 1) Don't pass the WUDP as-is on Sept 11. It's not ready yet.
- 2). Have a community outreach online to Haiku-Paia community BEFORE any vote on WUDP. The main "strategy" in WUDP for future water is to drill 16 wells and pump 8-10 mgd from Haiku. No one in Haiku-Paia knows about this WUDP says that "studies will be done", but it kind of assumes there will be no affect on streams, traditional fishing; other peoples wells and springs etc.

This is as unrealistic as it seems to everyone who has been watching the water thieving that continues from the N shore.

Meanwhile, If I need a water meter, the county plan is to get more water from East Maui streams for Haiku residents and farmers (without mentioning about the restoration of Haiku stream flow) and send Haiku water to South Maui.

## This is unacceptable.

We are currently being asked to conserve water. Why does anyone think it's a good idea to drill more wells so we can send it to Kihei and Wailea?

If the "excuse" is: "Iao Aqufer is being over pumped" Wow, wonder who's been doing that and why aren't they using waste water from the Kihei waste facility? Waste that they produce and use the water for already to treat it? Lastly, a more sincere and honest outreach needs to start to happen with the Hawaiian community. The County Council, needs to listen to the Hawaiians and the affected community not the water lords.

Let's slow down and do this right.

No more throwing water on fires, try prevent the fires in the 1 st place.

Mahalo,

Ms. Barbara Barry

Farming and living in Ha'ikū.