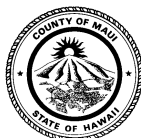


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January 25, 2022

The Honorable Brian Schatz
United States Senate
300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 7-212
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96850

Via E-mail: Diane_Miyasato@schatz.senate.gov

Dear Senator Schatz:

SUBJECT: **INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT**
(IT-1(5))

Thank you for your virtual participation in the Maui County Council's Infrastructure and Transportation Committee meeting of January 27, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

As requested, please see the following questions received from Committee members in preparation for Thursday's discussion on the Infrastructure Bill:

1. Please confirm how much funding Maui County is anticipated to receive.
2. Please explain how funding will be received. Will funding be directly allocated to Maui County or will funding be required to pass through the State?
3. Please clarify whether funding will be available for:
 - i. Public-private infrastructure projects, such as wastewater reclamation and reuse projects.
 - ii. Private entities seeking to do infrastructure projects.

4. Please provide an overview of how the Bill will impact the State's Revolving Funds.
 - i. Please explain how funds will increase for wastewater and environmental projects.
 - ii. Please explain what type of projects will be eligible for forgivable loans and how organizations may apply.
5. Please explain if there will be a category of funding for agricultural infrastructure, such as slaughterhouses or rendering operations.
6. Please clarify whether funding can be used to:
 - i. Build infrastructure on the island of Lānaʻi for a County affordable housing project.
 - ii. Build electric vehicle charging stations.
 - iii. Construct road pull-outs for bicycles.
 - iv. Control shoreline erosion and managed retreat projects.
7. It is my understanding that this Bill aims to ensure everyone has access to reliable high-speed internet.
 - i. Can funding be used to build out fiber-optic connections?
8. The U.S. Department of Transportation recently awarded Hawaiʻi \$22 million in funding to support the realignment of Honoapiʻilani Highway.
 - i. Please clarify whether this project is eligible to receive additional funding from this Bill.
9. Please provide any general suggestions to help Maui County maximize use of this funding.

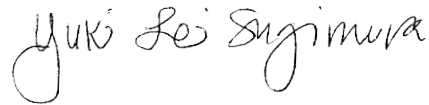
If you are unable to address these questions at Thursday's meeting and would still like to respond, may I further request your written response no later than **February 11, 2022**. To ensure efficient processing, please transmit your

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response to it.committee@mauicounty.us and include the relevant Committee item number in your response's subject line.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Laksmi Abraham at (808) 270-7659, or Clarita Balala at (808) 270-7668).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Yuki Lei Sugimura". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair
Infrastructure and Transportation
Committee

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cc: Edwin Sniffen, Deputy Director for Highways, State Department of Transportation