

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

BUDGET, FINANCE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

March 21, 2025

**Committee
Report No.** _____

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee, having met on March 11, 2025, makes reference to Bill 35 (2025), entitled “A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI, APPENDIX A, PART II, GENERAL EXCISE TAX FUND, WILDFIRE PERMANENT DISPOSAL SITE, AND APPENDIX C, DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT.”

Bill 35’s purpose is to amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget, to:

1) amend Appendix A, Part II, Special Purpose Revenues - Schedule of Revolving/Special Funds for Fiscal Year 2025, General Excise Tax Fund, by

a) increasing the amount in condition 2 for design, construction, and permitting of the Wildfire Permanent Disposal Site from \$16,000,000 to \$24,000,000; and

b) decreasing the amount in condition 3 for operations and maintenance of the Wildfire Permanent Disposal Site from \$17,400,000 to \$9,400,000; and

2) amend Appendix C - Capital Improvement Projects, Department of Management, Countywide, Wildfire Permanent Disposal Site, by increasing the appropriation from \$16,000,000 to \$24,000,000.

The Director of Environmental Management noted construction of the Wildfire Permanent Disposal Site is being planned in two phases—earthwork and liner installation—and is scheduled for completion by June

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2025. However, because bids exceeded budget projections, the Department is requesting a reallocation of operational funds to cover the shortfall.

The Director also noted that earthwork is ongoing with existing funding and that a separate vendor will install the liner, which would be funded with the reallocated funds. An environmental consultant will evaluate the work of both vendors to ensure the safety of employees at the site and the public.

The Director added that the site is expected to begin receiving wildfire debris in early June 2025, with the Federal Emergency Management Agency anticipated to cover tipping fees and the Army Corps of Engineers is managing debris transfer. Debris must be transferred from the Olowalu temporary disposal site to the permanent site by the end of 2025.

The Director said the transfer process will affect traffic patterns and that plans are underway to minimize community impact and address potential roadway incidents.

Your Committee emphasized the importance of including transportation routes in discussions, highlighting the County's collaboration with Mahi Pono to use certain cane haul roads.

Your Committee also emphasized the importance of safety and air quality at the permanent site. The Director said that environmental consultants will monitor and ensure compliance with federal and state guidelines.

Your Committee voted 7-0 to recommend passage of Bill 35 (2025), on first reading. Committee Chair Sugimura and members Cook, Johnson, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and U'u-Hodgins voted "aye." Committee Vice-Chair Kama and member Rawlins-Fernandez were excused.

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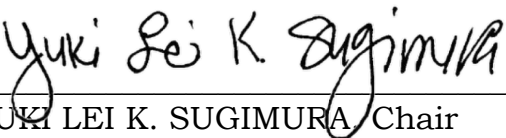
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Your Committee is in receipt of Bill 35, CD1 (2025), approved as to form and legality by the Department of the Corporation Counsel, incorporating nonsubstantive revisions.

Your Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee RECOMMENDS that Bill 35, CD1 (2025), attached, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI, APPENDIX A, PART II, GENERAL EXCISE TAX FUND, WILDFIRE PERMANENT DISPOSAL SITE, AND APPENDIX C, DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT," be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO PRINT.

This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 3 of the Rules of the Council.



YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair

ORDINANCE NO. _____

BILL NO. 35_CD1 (2025)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI,
APPENDIX A, PART II, GENERAL EXCISE TAX FUND,
WILDFIRE PERMANENT DISPOSAL SITE AND APPENDIX C,
DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 5657, Bill No. 60, CD1, FD2 (2024), as amended "Fiscal Year 2025 Budget", Appendix A, Part II, Special Purpose Revenues – Schedule of Revolving/Special Funds for Fiscal Year 2025, General Excise Tax Fund, is amended to increase the second condition by \$8,000,000 and decrease the third condition by the same amount, to read as follows:

	<u>"ESTIMATED BALANCE AS OF 6/30/2024</u>	<u>ANTICIPATED REVENUES FOR FY 2025</u>	<u>TOTAL FOR FY 2025</u>
CC. General Excise Tax Fund (Chapter 3.100, Maui County Code)	23,068,593	48,000,000	71,068,693"
(1) Up to \$5,000,000 must be for the Kamole Weir Water Treatment Facility in Makawao, Maui, Hawai'i.			
(2) Up to [\$16,000,000] <u>\$24,000,000</u> must be for land acquisition, design, construction, and permitting of the wildfire permanent disposal site.			
(3) Up to [\$17,400,000] <u>\$9,400,000</u> must be for operations and maintenance of the wildfire permanent disposal site.			
(4) Up to \$2,000,000 must be for wildfire debris removal.			
(5) Up to \$16,668,000 must be for water infrastructure repairs and replacement, and wastewater repairs related to the August 2023 Wildfires.			
(6) Up to \$2,000,000 must be for the Kahului Wastewater Treatment Plant 4th Aeration Basin.			

(7) Up to \$10,000,000 must be for funding for the acquisition of private water systems and wells to align with the Department of Water Supply's vision to integrate public and private water systems and develop a municipal water system.

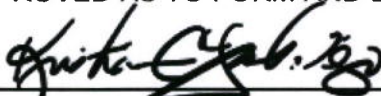
SECTION 2. Fiscal Year 2025 Budget, Appendix C – Capital Improvement Projects, Department of Management, Countywide, Wildfire Permanent Disposal Site, is amended to increase the appropriation by \$8,000,000, to read as follows:

"APPENDIX C – Capital Improvement Projects		
CBS NO.	PROJECT TITLE/DESCRIPTION	APPROPRIATION
	<u>Department of Management</u>	
	<u>1. Countywide</u>	
CBS-XXXX	<u>g. Wildfire Permanent Disposal Site</u> Land acquisition, design, construction, and permitting of the wildfire permanent disposal site.	[16,000,000] <u>24,000,000</u> "

SECTION 3. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

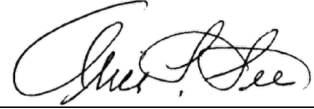
SECTION 4. This Ordinance takes effect on approval.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



KRISTINA C. TOSHIKIYO
Deputy Corporation Counsel

INTRODUCED BY:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alice L. Lee".

ALICE L. LEE

Upon the request of the Mayor.