

MT Committee

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Aloha, council

Thank you for the opportunity to voice our comments by written testimony. I am a resident of Hāna Maui who now reside in Kipahulu. Over the past 5 + years I have seen more tourists, tour vans and residents traveling on the Hana Highway that has brought some safety concerns to the table. Thank you for allowing us to address our comments.

First, I am in strong support of the 5 car pullout. I wish it was 3 because the vehicle in front driving on the road with many curves may not see 5 cars they are holding up behind them. Non the less the law is 5 and I should be glad it's not 6.

Should this pass how does it get relayed to the community/drivers to pull over on the pullout locations. Especially the tourist and tour vans.

I hope as you hear the testimony's before you that you can also reflect on the thousands of vehicles that drive daily on the Hana Highway and how this has taken a toll on the road condition.

Safety is a big issue and I hope this pullout will help the flow of traffic especially for those who are traveling for work, school, business or recreational events but also for those who come to see the beauty of scenery.

I would also like to suggests the pullout areas be more visual with signs posted ahead for vehicles to be aware of these spots.

As a mother who drives her children too and from school(Child under age 5 not allowed on public school bus) for 12 miles each way this would help prevent hazardous road traffic when visitors want to stop on the bridge to take photos and not have respect or consideration for other drivers.

I would also like to address while we are on the topic of roadway safety, that road signs be cleaned from mold/dirt so it is visible, Replace old or damage signs. More Speed limit signs posted and pullout signs placed on roadway.

Thank you for you time in address this and for hearing the voice of the people.

Respectfully,
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