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Here is testimony from Napili re: CAR-9.

CAR Committee Meeting 8.17.20

- Thank you Committee Chair Kelly King and all Council members for opportunity to address CAR -9 issues. Let me start by saying thank you for establishing this Committee to implement positive changes in how Maui County coastal communities handle very real and present threats to our shorelines.
- Let me introduce myself: I am Pat Lindquist, Founder and President of Napili Bay and Beach Foundation. Our community non-profit was formed in late 2006, due to concerns about changes to beach and bay health that may have been early manifestations of coastal erosion due to climate change and rising sea levels.
- Why did I get involved? My family ties to Napili span almost 50 years and 4 generations. My academic credentials are a Master's Degree in Cell and Molecular Biology, and my professional credentials are more than 30 years of Project planning and management. Further I had recently retired, so I had the time, skills and interest to get this environmentally focused foundation going.
- Since about 2015, we have become aware of the impacts to coastal resources/ coastline health in many areas of West Maui. We have shared information/learnings with other coastal communities on Maui, but have also shared the immense frustration due to lack of clarity about how to mitigate damage to these precious resources: State Lands, but County responsible for issuing SMA permits, then local residents and businesses trying to do their best to care for precious resources and protect their property. Whose Kuleana is it? Who pays for mitigation projects at shoreline? How do appropriate actions get done in a timely manner?
- Napili Beach has a particular project involving necessary managed retreat and replacement of a public shoreline access structure with one more resilient to erosion. This is a good example of the confusion and frustration of the current jurisdictional situation: county road, with public beach access signage to hui road, to State headland and beach. Lots of layers. I am happy to share more about it, if it would help Council establish clearer policies and procedures for all of Maui County shorelines under increasing assault due to rising sea levels.

Thank you for your consideration, hope to learn how to get on more easily next time. #

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