

EACP Committee

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To: EACP Committee
Subject: Support the IPM. Stop the use of toxic pesticides. Prioritize the health of children, families, water, soils, air, land, and reefs.

Aloha mai kākou,

As a kanaka maoli resident of Hawai'i, the health of the 'āina and the kaiāulu are at the forefront of my concern. I am writing to ask that you please support the IPM in order to end the adverse effects of toxic synthetic pesticides in parks and parkways in Maui. Pesticides have shown to be linked to birth defects, cancer, developmental problems, neurological issues, among a host of other health concerns.

More concerning, children are more susceptible to these adverse effects than adults. As such, Maui must prioritize children, families, and other community members above the use of pesticides.

The use of pesticides in public spaces, such as parks and parkways, WILL continue to negatively impact the local community.

Public health needs to become more important than private interests.

Mahalo nō a mālama pono,
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