



EISPN Makila Rural Community Docket # A15-799
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Aloha,

I am writing in objection to the Makila Rural Community project. My opposition is due to the following reasons:

- Increased noise, and physical pollution,
- Light pollution during the night.
- Overwhelm our water supply,
- Increased traffic on our already busy roads,
- Harm our beaches and coral reefs with increased runoff
- Reduce habitat for animals in the air, land, and water

and most importantly decrease the beauty of west Maui.

Thank you for your consideration. Mahalo,

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I object to the Makila Rural Community because it will increase pollution, overwhelm our water supply, strangle our roads, harm our beaches, reduce habitat for animals in the air, land, and water, and decrease the beauty of west Maui.

This is zoned Ag land and any development should not be a density greater than that. Besides the environmental impact, the infrastructure can not support a higher density. Our roads are clogged now and this development will change the character and not add any meaningful advantage to our coastline.

Do not allow this development.

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Aloha,

I object to the Makila Rural Community because it will increase pollution, overwhelm our water supplies, create gridlock on our roads, pollute our beaches with silt and plastic, and local species reduce habitat.

There is no place more beautiful on the planet than Maui. Any development on the islands not only needs intensive research, utmost diligence, and an insightful global perspective regarding effect on the ecosystem, but has to look at the future viability of the vast ocean reefs, native plants and local animal species. The ecosystem is a number one priority. People come second.

Please vote this plan down. It is a terrible concept, and has no value to the island other than exemplifying to the world, as they visit the most beautiful island, that rampant and rushed development can forever leave nature permanently scathed.

Aloha,

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Oppose Makila Rural Community

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December 8, 2015

I am writing to oppose the Makila Village Development proposed plan. We were sent a letter from Management Consultants Hawaii and agree with all of the issues they have outlined in their letter.

1. Development Conforming Issues
2. Traffic Impact and Road Congestion
3. Water Impact
4. Endangered Species
5. Emergency Services/Evacuation
6. Noise Level of Development
7. Coral Reef Endangerment
8. Increase in Population
9. Safety
10. Sewage Treatment Plant

Sincerely,

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Mr. Daniel Orodener
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Mr. Tom Schnell
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Ms. Amy Bigelow
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December 7, 2015

Dear Mr. Orodener, Mr. Schnell, and Ms. Bigelow,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the EISPN for the Makila Rural Community. I share in the long list of valid concerns you have heard from other Makila residents. The conversion Makila Land Company seeks in rezoning some 270 acres of land (eleven agricultural lots) for a proposed 225 residential units and a forty-acre urban core is such a dramatic reversal of the original vision (still on a thumbnail map on the company website) that it calls into question almost any assumption one could currently make about the future of the area's infrastructure, livability and the environment.

I am not reassured by the limited communications I have received from Makila Land Company. I fear that they grossly undervalue these concerns – or the well being of those who bought into their original vision and purchased homes in Launiupoko - in favor of listing various amenities that “could” be included in the proposed development. I was not informed of this contemplated development when I purchased my home. It has perhaps been too easy since to become complacent, as even the current West Maui Land Co. website continues to extoll the value of Makila's agricultural land and large lots, noting that aside from the Makila land designated for conservation, “...the balance of the land (is) designated agriculture” (westmauiland.com) – as though we still share that value or even that intention. The sole

mention of this proposal on the website is simply “Makila continues to explore long range plans to establish a small village within the Makila lands to serve the existing and future community” (westmauiland.com). In an October 2015 letter from Makila Land Co. to the Makila Plantation Home Owners’ Association I learned the full extent of what this “small village” would entail and I no longer have any illusions. I learned that this proposal would require significant re-zoning, including what I believe is a misleading reference by Makila Land Co. of a proposed “pocket” of “urban”, that I understand is actually forty acres *and* is not included in the Maui Island Plan. I am further concerned that this proposal parts company with the Maui Island Plan yet again in that it does not conform to “open space” requirements but attempts to count portions of private lots as open space. This sort of accounting is as telling as it is disappointing.

I am not in favor of rezoning this land. However problematic it may sometimes be, good land use relies on zoning that supports the long-range community vision, and does not bend to the changing desires of developers or individuals. It is deeply discouraging to see Makila’s open land and agricultural character now threatened by those who once said they would protect it. I hold out hope for far better for Makila and for Maui.

Sincerely,

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Dear Ms. Bigelow, Mr. Orodener and Mr. Schnell,

We are writing in response to the EISPN for the Makila Rural Community.

We oppose any development other than what was shown on all previous Launiupoko Plat Maps as "Future Makila Ranches Phase I." The public and Launiupoko residents had always known these 271 acres to be eleven large agricultural lots.

On January 21 of this year Maui Now ran a story about Launiupoko. The article stated of Launiupoko: "This area is one of the only places left in West Maui with large acreage still available" and "as we all know, agricultural land in West Maui is very rare."

During April 2015 the Makila HOA held its annual meeting. No one knew of this planned community then. A lot of planning had to be done before this project was sprung on the residents. How ironic that West Maui Land chose September 11 to file the PETITION FOR LAND USE DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT.

Although shocking to many citizens, there are still many Launiupoko residents who have no knowledge of these proposed changes. We therefore ask the State of Hawai'i Land Use Commission to consider their statements at a later date.

My wife and I seem to have been duped like many other Launiupoko homebuyers. Our West Maui Realtor showed us the plans for Olowalu Town, and for that reason, we chose not to purchase there. I asked her specifically if such a development was contemplated for Launiupoko. She stated that there were no such plans. We examined the plat maps and she showed us that all the space was accounted for as Agricultural Land.

As a result of that declaration, and several other factors we believed favorable, we purchased our Launiupoko home during June 2012. As recently as July of 2014, our immediate neighbor was not apprised of the anticipated Makila Rural Community at the time of purchase and learned of it from us just weeks ago.

The West Maui Land Company wants to now remove 271 agricultural (good quality soil) acres from our island's inventory. This should not even be an issue. The Land Use Commission should reject this proposal merely because the developers wish to have an urban component, which is not allowed in the Maui Island Plan.

The proposed "Makila Rural" project will be a disaster waiting to happen. It is environmentally unsound for many reasons. The proposal of these 225 residential units creates a totally different environment mauka of the proposed bypass; an environment contrary to all previously recorded maps and plans. With such close proximity to the ocean and such density of home sites, inevitably, pesticides and lawn care products will permeate into the ocean.

John Denver once wrote "more people, more scars upon the land."

The estimated proposed new population will exceed that of current Greater Launiupoko (Makila Plantation & Mahanalua Nui combined). Greater Launiupoko is not fully sold out and many parcels have not been built out yet. Some are not fully occupied. More people will drain resources.

The developer must seek water from other sources than the three existing reservoirs as they are now strained to meet demands. Current demands are a fraction of what will be needed when the existing parcels are completed, occupied and saturation has been reached. One cannot even imagine how much water the proposed population dense community will consume.

Any other additional development beyond the eleven "Future Makila Ranches Phase I" is simply not prudent.

On November 2, 2015, the developers pitched their plan at the West Maui Senior Center to a mistrustful audience of homeowners and concerned citizens. There was only one person in favor of the project, a realtor, who, like the developers, stands to gain financially if the State of Hawai'i Land Use Commission approves this development.

The influx of people will alter the very nature of our peaceful community. Crime is extremely low and once the roads are opened, crime, litter and quality of life issues will arise. Public Safety is paramount.

I remember visiting Maui, noting how the hotel representatives bragged of the wisdom of the forefathers, both in the distant past and in the environmentally sound practices of civic leaders of the modern era. Even lights were not to pollute the night sky. If this development is permitted the dark serenity we now enjoy will end.

Experts on both sides of this issue will speak about endangered wildlife. The hired guns will try to convince the Commission that the wildlife on land and in the sea is not in jeopardy. This we all know in our hearts to be false.

Nothing is so sad as seeing a Pueo Owl struck by a vehicle. The number of vehicles will increase greatly in proportion to the population growth.

The Nene Geese, our State Bird, are known to frequent this beautiful hillside. There are many other protected creatures that will suffer if the developer's plan is enacted.

The idea of a sewage treatment plant makes me think of the recent overflow of sewage in Waikiki. The beaches were closed and tourism hurt. If the Commission compromises prudent thinking in favor of the developers, there is a distinct chance of such negative publicity appearing on national news.

Developers are people who neither live with, nor even near you, who claim that they are acting in your best interests. Thanks caring developers!

This project holds nothing of benefit to the residents of Launiupoko or even Greater West Maui; nothing that is in anyone's interest but the developers own.

Traffic will be forever altered with this spot urbanization. We cannot sustain such radical increases in population on this side of our island. The current infrastructure is not capable of withstanding the onslaught of development.

Increased congestion on our roadways is hazardous and poses a safety risk we should not ignore.

The Commission is empowered to become the steward of this land. The developers cannot be trusted. Residents here know that nothing good can come from altering this land forever.

The developers would do best for all if they were to develop a conscience.

While writing this letter, we learned that the State Land Use Commission overwhelmingly rejected the Olowalu Town EIS. The factors, which influenced that logical outcome, are equally applicable here.

Thank you for hearing our concerns,

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