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Daniel Orodener, Executive Officer
State Land Use Commission
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Dear Mr. Orodener,

I am writing to express my opposition to the following proposed development:
Makila Rural Community
Docket Number A15-799

I live right next to the proposed development and am extremely concerned about the potential impacts that will result from such an increase in population density. I am particularly concerned about the impact it will have on traffic. The Launiupoko area is already gridlocked for much of the day with the existing population. To add 225 more lots (or potentially twice as many dwellings if each lot is allowed to build an ohana) would have a devastating impact on traffic.

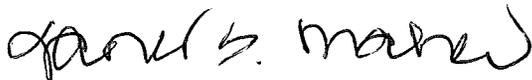
It is not only traffic that would be impacted by this project. Our local beach parks are already bursting at the seams and our surf breaks are over-crowded as it is. To add close to five hundred additional families using these resources would be unsustainable.

I am also very concerned about the potential impact on our coral reefs as a result of both the construction and the proposed wastewater treatment facility. Just two weeks ago the ocean from Lanuiupoko to Puamana was completely brown for several days after it rained. This was due to the run off from the current construction project (Makila Ranches phase 2), which is located makai of the proposed Makila Rural project. Makila Rural is a much larger project and the impact due to run off would be that much worse.

I am also opposed to the prospect of losing fertile agricultural land to more urban sprawl. In the interest of a self-sustainable island this land should be used for farming.

I urge you to deny the applicants request to change the zoning of this land from agricultural to rural and urban in light of the many negative impacts that would certainly result from this project going forward. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Janet Maher

cc: Heidi Bigelow, Makila Land Co.
Tom Schnell, PBR & Associates