Subject: OPPOSED - A10-786 Olowalu Town - Testimony of the Final-EIS, Reject the EIS

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Mahalo for your time, Dr. Charles (Rick) and Nansy Phleger, 322 Front St., Lahaina, Maui, 96761 - 808-662-8642
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Janna Farmer
186 Mehani Circle
Kihei HI 96753
Dear State Land Use Commission,

I started a petition to you titled #SaveOlowalu: Please Testify To The State Of Hawaii LUC, Reject The Olowalu EIS. So far, the petition has 1,515 total signers.

You can post a response for us to pass along to all petition signers by clicking here: http://petitions.moveon.org/target_talkback.html?tt=tt-102740-custom-64216-20251117-1WrynM

The petition states:

"On November 18th we need to let the Hawaii State Land Use Commission know that we reject the plan for an Olowalu town development and we reject the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that Frampton and Ward are presenting in order to build their 1700-home city at Olowalu. This city will increase the West Maui population by over 4,000 residents and 3,000 more cars on an already overcrowded infrastructure. In addition, marine biologists from around the world have said it will likely kill our largest, oldest and extremely priceless coral reef ecosystem that house 700+ year old coral colonies, endangered monk seals, sea turtles, fish, invertebrates and other endemic species. What's at stake? • Our ocean, reef eco-system (700 year old kupuna coral), limu and fish • Existing roads and traffic are already horrible; imagine 3,000 more cars • Our streams and aquifers • Over-crowded schools • Loss of prime agricultural land • Public access to the coastline • Traditional and customary use of Olowalu lands and waters Please sign the petition and, if possible, show up to testify on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2015 at 9:30 AM. We only have seven days to get the word out. #saveolowalu facebook event to get instructions. https://www.facebook.com/events/1517489378544315/"

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Thank you.

--John Fitzpatrick

If you have any other questions, please email petitions@moveon.org.

The links to download the petition as a PDF and to respond to all of your constituents will remain available for the next 14 days.
This email was sent through MoveOn's petition website, a free service that allows anyone to set up their own online petition and share it with friends. MoveOn does not endorse the contents of petitions posted on our public petition website. If you don't want to receive further emails updating you on how many people have signed this petition, click here: http://petitions.moveon.org/delivery_unsub.html?e=soBXfUW3mlZGl5GGesCKzSBsdWNAZGjIZHQuaGF3YWlpLmdvdg--&petition_id=102740.
I have lived in Lahaina for some 30 years now and have witnessed the continued degradation of our Communities ocean front environment. This proposed development will only hasten the degradation of all we hold of vital importance ----- our way of life It will have heavy impact on our traffic, ocean activities, etc.

Please reject the EIS you have been provided by this developer.

Aloha, Jim Peck
Members of the State Land Use Commission -

My name is Jay Wisthoff. My family and I have lived in Launiupoko for 12 years and on Maui for over 15 years. I have great concerns about the Olowalu Town development and the inadequacies of the developers EIS currently being reviewed by your commission. Here are my concerns.

1. I have seen traffic to the west side become more of an issue every year. There are many times when the traffic is stop and go from Maalea all the way to Lahaina with no visible accidents or obstructions. The bypass may relieve some of this congestion, but continuing to allow uncontrolled growth means our road systems will always be 10-20 years behind our needs.

2. The land in questions is zoned Agricultural and is among some of the best Ag land on the island. My property is also zoned Ag and is classified as E, the worst possible classification for Ag land. We have invested thousands of dollars in making agriculture work on our land and have a variety of over 40 fruit trees. The commission needs to consider the impact of taking such a huge tract of prime agricultural land and losing it forever to agriculture and turning it into a dense urban area.

3. I do not believe the EIS adequately or correctly addresses the impact of this development on the ocean reef, the beach parks, or the sea life. Monk seals regularly sun bath on the beach near the proposed development. Are they likely to lose that option when the area is so developed? The run off from the development will have to increase. The developer can say that all that will be controlled, but who is there in 10-20 years to control it when the lots are owned by hundreds on individuals using pesticides and fertilizers on their lawns?

4. Sewage treatment. Sewage needs to be treated. It is criminal that we allowed one of the most beautiful resort areas in the world end up smelling like a toilet. The smell of the sewage treatment facility at Kaanapali is embarrassing and appalling. The developers have said that they will look at efficient and odor free treatment facilities and they will continue to say that throughout this process. When it comes time to actually purchase the facility, who will be there to make sure they don’t cut corners and allow Olowalu to smell like an unflushed toilet? In five to ten years I can see being stuck in traffic and smelling poop while driving past Olowalu.

The commission should reject the EIS in a first step to rejecting the request to rezone this land. The developer should develop the area as large ag lots with low density.

Thank you for your time.

Jay Wisthoff
138 Awaiku Street
Lahaina, HI 96761
My name is Richard Roshon, and resident on West Maui for the past 6 decades. I am in sincere opposition to A10-786 Olowalu Town development.

It just does not make sense. If you were to live on West Maui, or commute from the other side to West Maui - EVERY early morning work day, and late afternoons, traffic now comes to a stand-still both ways. Infrastructure is so far behind, this would be a disaster. At times coming back from Kahului to Lahaina traffic will stop at Olowalu, that's 8 miles from Lahaina.

We are years behind in a proposed hospital for the West Side.

For more than 4 decades I have kayaked the pristine reefs of Olowalu, as there are not to many pristine reefs left. In the mid 90's Maalaea and Honolua Bay were estimated to be around 85% healthy, they are now estimated to be around 12%.

Off shore run-off and I cannot imagine storms which will wash land into the sea. Cut off sunlight you eliminate oxygen in the seas. This is already happening when we have heavy rains.

This is too much for me to handle and I must close for now.

Me Ke Aloha Pumehana
With Warmest Aloha
Richard Roshon
www.hawaiwhalesrus.com
-------- Forwarded message --------
From: Sarah <aloha.sterling@gmail.com>
Date: Tuesday, November 17, 2015
Subject: OPPOSED - A10-786 Olowalu Town - Testimony of the Final-EIS, Reject the EIS
To: Kevin Williams <kevatga@gmail.com>, Kelly Burke <kellyburke11@gmail.com>, Donna Williams <mauimom13@gmail.com>, Shelly <sterlingsas@gmail.com>

If you guys are interested in opposing the new olowalu development...copy and fill in your name, where u live, and sign the bottom and send to luc@dbedt.hawaii.gov

Meeting is tomorrow at 9:30am

Hope everyone's having a great start to your week!

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Lothar Eiserloh and Carole de Angelis Eiserloh
carolede@gmail.com 808-879-6056
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Kelcy Durbin
39465 Proctor Boulevard
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Launiupoko
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Lois Crozer
Kailua Hawaii
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Kihei, Hawaii 96753

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Robert Applegate
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Mariah Chisom
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Sent from my iPhone
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Sarah Anderson  
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Stephen Luksic, Fusayo Luksic, Keolahou Luksic.
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We, Susan & Robert Casper, live in Launiupoko, Maui, & we oppose the development of Olowalu. The EIS is inadequate at best. The project increases density, pollution, traffic & ignores Hawaiian culture. Susan & Robert Casper

Sent from my iPad
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aloha please see attached
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Aloha land use commission,

My name is Frank Caprioni. I'm 28 and I'm a resident and home owner in Kapa Iki village in Olowalu and have been a resident here since I was 11. Olowalu is a very sacred and special place to me as is for a lot of people on this island and even in Hawaii. There are many things that make Olowalu special, unique, and fragile. After the daunting task of reviewing the E.I.S. I was able to see how it fails to mention some of the key parts of Olowalu. 1 being the fragile mother reef system that's estimated to be @ 700 years old that's responsible for spawning yearly and sending babies to not only create new reefs on Maui but also the other islands. In this time of a lot of change and reefs being majorly impacted, it's important that we protect and preserve this last of its kind reef system that has already been showing signs of stress. Also, West Maui Land has the audacity to say that the development of the scale there proposing will actually benefited the reef and have so no proof to show that it has been down anywhere else. West Maui Land has been fined for dust violations in the past and is also getting cited for another one just recently. If West Maui Land can't even take care of the dust now and protect the reefs how are we to believe that they will do this in the future? Also in the E.I.S. they state the nene bird which are federally protected fly over Olowalu but don't nest here which is a total lie. The D.N.R Wildlife and forestry has been keeping records of nene meeting in Olowalu since 2012 and also the pig farmers in the valley have been keeping records for longer. So for them to blatantly disregard that easy to get knowledge makes me so under again about the creditability of this developers. D.N.R makes a monthly trip up to Olowalu to keep records on the birds and not once did anyone from West Maui Land try to contact D.N.R to see what's happening with the nene they just assumed there nest interest. My 3rd point I would like to bring up is the proposed change of zoning to be hotel by the ocean in Olowalu point where a lot of local families from not only Olowalu but all over including tourist to swim and enjoy the ocean and Olowalu beauty. This proposed hotel would not only majorly encroach on our local families being able to enjoy there weekends but would also have a major effect on the adjacent reef which has pretty much died in the last couple years since they have cleared the land and put up 2 houses only 2 house already made that much of an effect. Image what this whole development would do. We're talking major potentially irreversible damage to such a fragile eco system that would affect not only Olowalu but the rest of Maui and the outer islands coral supply. There's a reason why local families and tourist alike come to play in Olowalu and when these changes happen there would be, no reason for people to come to a dead reef no fish algae blooms and then the potential of fecal water from the waste water treatment plant infecting the water. I pray that you the land use commission can do your due diligence and see that this E.I.S. is completely flawed and fails to mention and address key point that would forever change Olowalu, and ask West Maui Land to come up with an alternate plan that can be worked throughout community planning. Mahalo for your time!

Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE Smartphone
From: Caitlin Brady
To: luc@dbedt.hawaii.gov
Subject: Please save Olowalu
Date: 11/17/2015 07:19 AM

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Sent from my iPhone
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I, Stephanie Swift until recently lived in Lahaina, Hawaii and oppose the proposed Olowalu town development because the Environmental Impact Statement is inadequate and fails to address the community's concerns about the preservation of Native Hawaiian cultural practices, traffic, fires, tsunamis and the degradation of vital terrestrial and marine habitat. In addition, the Olowalu coastline is one of the last refuges for locals and tourists alike who want a peaceful space away from the wall of hotels on the rest of the island. The sewage treatment facility is my greatest concern. The county of Maui has already demonstrated that it is incapable of treating sewage in a way that is compatible with marine life and human safety. The ongoing water quality problems at Kaanapali is the most obvious example. I am concerned that Olowalu will no longer be a safe place to swim and that the coral reef in Olowalu will face the same problems that the Kaanapali reef has: nutrient loaded water will cause the algae to grow and the reef to be smothered with algae. Rising ocean temperatures and acidification are already challenging the health of coral reefs and this development will possibly be the nail in the coffin for Olowalu.

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Mahalo for your consideration

Stephanie Swift, 64750 Saros Lane, Bend, Oregon
Dave & Sandy Kelso are residents of Launiupoko we cannot be at this meeting due to doctors apt. We do however oppose this project, A10-786 Olowalu Town

Sincerely,

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Sent from Windows Mail
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Lisa
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Aloha Kakou,

Mahalo you for your kokua and showing your support for a true ahupua’a at Olowalu that protects the culture and natural resources of the area. Please keep sharing this petition with your friends. We are close to our goal of 2000 people standing up for Olowalu by tomorrow night.

http://petitions.moveon.org/sign/saveolowalu-please-testify?mailing_id=31951&source=s.icn.em.cr&r_by=14543392

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First, mahalo for allowing the residents of Maui to present our thoughts on the final EIS for the proposed Olowalu Town project. It is with a humble heart I protest the insufficiency of this environmental impact study. I believe there needs to be greater understanding of the implications of such a large scale development so near to this vital coastline and coral reef. The initial build will lay waste to the reef and the surfing beach, leaving it mired in development run off much the same as we see at Honokahua/DT Flemings. And the waste treatment plant so close to the ocean is just an accident waiting to happen. We recently saw 5000 gallons of raw sewage in Ka'anapali from the Lahaina Pump Station which is situated further away from the proposed treatment plant in Olowalu. Traffic is another concern. Where is the infrastructure for the increase in cars going to and from Lahaina? The proposed relocation of the highway only moves the physical road but doesn't take into account how many more people will be using that road. There are so many flaws in the assessment of how this will affect the fragile Olowalu environment both on land and in the ocean. I believe the EIS should be rejected and the project be reviewed for plausibility.

Again, mahalo for your time and consideration. I hope the commission comes to the same conclusion that many residents of Maui have agreed upon: Olowalu Town will damage the environment.

Aloha 'Aina,
Jennifer Mather
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Lahaina, HI 96761
I hereby submit the attached written testimony regarding Olowalu Town’s FEIS, A10-786, set for hearing November 18, 2015.

Mark Hyde
Please see attached letter, mahalo.