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Subject: A10-786 Olowalu Town-Testimony of the Final EIS
Date: 11/18/2015 07:52 AM

State of Hawaii Department of Land Use Comission,
I am writing to ask you to reject the current EIS for the Olowalu town development. The water that is currently being diverted by the sugar cane ditch should be allowed to flow to the ocean, not used for development. I find it completely asinine that this development project puts so much emphasis on "following the ahupua'a model" when they completely disregard the most integral component of such a system. The water needs to be allowed to flow from mountain to ocean, only when that is restored should we be allowed to discuss further "progress"! Thank you for your time,

Sanna Kauhane
Honokohau Valley

Sent from my iPad

From: [Stephanie Lawless](mailto:Stephanie.Lawless@dbedt.hawaii.gov)
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Subject: OPPOSED - A10-786 Olowalu Town - Testimony of the Final-EIS, Reject the EIS
Date: 11/17/2015 07:18 PM

Aloha Members of the Land Use Commission,

I Stephanie Lawless was born and raised in Lahaina and I 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, just to name a few.

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Mahalo for your time,

Stephanie Kitana Lawless

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From: [Benae Basurto, Little Honu Swim](mailto:Benae.Basurto.Little.Honu.Swim)
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I _____ Benae Basurto _____ live in _____ Kaanapali _____ 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, just to name a few.

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Benae Basurto

From: [Jaclyn Mae Santos](mailto:Jaclyn.Mae.Santos@dbedt.hawaii.gov)
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Date: 11/17/2015 10:04 PM

Aloha Members of the Land Use Commission,

I, Jaclyn Mae Santos, was born and raised in Olowalu and I 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, just to name a few.

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Jaclyn Mae Santos

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Subject: OPPOSED - A10-786 Olowalu Town - Testimony of the Final-EIS, Reject the EIS
Date: 11/18/2015 07:35 AM

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I Christine Lamb live in Kihie 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, just to name a few.

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Mahalo for your time,
Christine Lamb

From: [Kevin Hagan](#)
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Subject: OPPOSED - A10-786 Olowalu Town - Testimony of the Final-EIS, Reject the EIS
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Aloha Members of the Land Use Commission,

My name is Kevin Hagan and I live in Paia 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, just to name a few.

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Aloha Members of the Land Use Commission,

I, Kendrick Wright live in Kihei 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, just to name a few.

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Aloha Members of the Land Use Commission,

We SARAH BUMPUS AND PETER GROSSMAN live in Kuau, Maui 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, just to name a few.

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Please accept our testimony in the attached pdf.

From: [Jodel Edwards](mailto:Jodel.Edwards@dbedt.hawaii.gov)
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Subject: Please protect our ecosystem
Date: 11/18/2015 05:46 AM

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To: luc@dbedt.hawaii.gov
Subject: Please protect our precious ecosystem!
Date: 11/17/2015 07:38 PM

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To: luc@dbedt.hawaii.gov
Subject: Subject: OPPOSED - A10-786 Olowalu Town - Testimony of the Final-EIS, Reject the EIS
Date: 11/18/2015 08:28 AM

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Subject: Testimony regarding A10-786 Olowalu Town Master Plan EIS
Date: 11/17/2015 10:17 PM

I will also be submitting testimony in person on Thursday morning here on Maui at the MACC regarding this matters hen you reconvene, but also wanted to email you my testimony for your records. I look forward to seeing you Thursday morning and mahalo you for your time.

State of Hawai'i Land Use Commission
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
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**RE: A10-786 Olowalu Town LLC (Master Plan) & Olowalu Ekolu LLC
Proposed Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)**

Aloha Mai Kakou, Chair and Commissioners.

'O Trinette Furtado ko'u inoa. No Lahaina mai au, aka, i keia manawa, noho wau ma Ha'iku. My name is Trinette Furtado and though I currently live in Ha'iku, I am from Lahaina. My 'ohana is pili to this ahupua'a such that at least 4 generations of us have had their ashes spread just off Olowalu Landing. I have been the one to offer many of them back into the arms of the kai, offering oli to announce their arrival into Po.

My tutuman used to poke tako at several spots in the area known only to him and a few of his best friends. After spearfishing, he would sit out in front of the Olowalu General Store and drink an Orange Crush and a Thunderbolt before heading back into Lahaina with his catch.

My cousins still fish this area as they've done since I was a little girl growing up in West Maui. My brothers and I have surfed here and they've brought their keiki to surf here. We have history here.

This wahi; this place, deserves more than vague pleasantries and profane misuse of 'olelo Hawai'i to make a sale. It deserves a FULL AND COMPLETE EIS that specifically addresses several important issues that the current EIS doesn't.

I strongly urge you to reject the EIS as it has been presented to you for consideration, on the grounds that it does not adequately and accurately describe impacts and mitigation measures for key concerns. It will irretrievably and permanently impact shoreline, cultural and archaeological resources and create further traffic congestion and burden on an already strained transportation corridor between West Maui and the Central Maui area where important services are located. Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR11-200) outline basic requirements of an EIS, which states that an EIS "**shall fully declare the environmental implications of the proposed action and shall discuss all relevant and feasible consequences of the action.**"

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Who places visitors and foreigners above those who come from and 'auamo the kuleana of caring for this 'aina? -Those who have no concept of, nor respect for, na po'e 'o ka 'aina! I find nothing in this EIS that displays true understanding of Hawaiian or ahupua'a concepts and relationships.

Olowalu Town project partners would like you to believe that they understand the concepts of ahupua'a design and management and even throw in 8 hua 'olelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian words) so everyone will feel good about the project as a whole. HOWEVER, make no mistake: just because it looks like they know what it means doesn't mean that they know what it means.

Visually, this project does not gather 'ike from what ahupua'a have been and how they function. Ma uka a i kai! From the mountains to the sea... NOT spread out along the shoreline like a kihei to form a funnel, siphoning off the wai from our wao nahele: from conservation land where water is a public trust resource. This project is yet another perfect example of corporations profiting off of public trust

resources that should be returned, rather than used to supply new development fueled by private interests.

Agriculturally, it resembles nothing like an ahupua'a. To remove over 121 acres of prime agriculture land of importance to the state of Hawai'i and re-zone it for urban and rural use without any detailed and identified mitigation for that loss, is another example of the incompleteness of the EIS. The proposed Waste Water Treatment Plant location and the vague plans offered regarding mitigation for excess treated water and run-off aren't complete enough for an EIS that impacts more than just the community in the new development. They ask for prime ag land and want to replace it with a wetland (which has not been a historic feature of the area) and a WWTP to be situated mauka from a popular surf spot enjoyed by people of all ages. They ask that the State, County and Community Plans be amended and promise little to no impact, but can give no examples of how it intends on being of little impact to the surrounding areas and the already strained resources and infrastructure of our island.

Structurally, the Olowalu Town plan takes no inspiration from ahupua'a design and management. There are designated areas in the plan for hotel use! How can you justify a hotel within an affordable and residential community 'inspired' by ahupua'a design and living? Have those transient unit figures been included in the data they've presented regarding the daily demands on infrastructure and resources? Shouldn't details such as these be outlined as they greatly impact the environment? Additionally, it is unclear what areas are designated for senior living and whether they are easily accessible to main transportation arteries out of the development area and doesn't address whether optional ohana units that people will inevitably build, will be subject to affordable housing rental rules/regulations. Does the EIS address the additional impacts those additional units will have on the greater community.? It does not.

Further, there is mention of 10-15 acres to be provided for an educational facility, but no details regarding if that facility will be an actual school facility or an 'educational cultural preserve' for visitors, where one can take occasional workshops and view Kanaka 'doing their thing'. At the very least, there should be some identification on the master plan map where those 10-15 acres might end up being located. There should be some description of the proposed educational facility. Unfortunately, there are not. Nor are there plans outlined to address that.

For these issues I have described above and many,many more, I strongly urge you to reject the EIS for the Olowalu Town development before you today, until they can properly, adequately and completely address all of these issues myself and others have brought to your attention. Mahalo nui for your time. I am available for further clarification or further mana'o.

Me ke aloha,

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