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> I am Bill Sager, Environmental Committee Chair for the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board, submitting my personal testimony. The KNB has received several briefings from the consultant and very emotional and heartfelt testimony from the community.
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> At their May 16 Board meeting the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board rejected a motion to support the Hawaii Memorial Park Final Environmental Impact Statement. Testimony from the community raised many objections and concerns. Board Members could not ignore these concerns and therefore rejected the motion to support the FEIS.
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> Personally, I have serious concerns with the design of the retention basins. We have seen to many tragedies when reservoirs hav failed resulting in flash floods. The retention basins are designed to contain a 100 year flood. That standard is based on historic data. Historic data is no longer valid. Climate change scientists predict storms affecting Hawaii will be more intense. The level of rainfall that flood Houston will become the norm rather than the exception.
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> The FEIS states that overflow will be piped into the County Storm Drain System which is all ready inadequate to handle current severe storm runoff. I believe in the future it will be common for these retention basins to overflow during intense storms. I must know that the retention basins will be designed to handle overflow with out washing out and causimg a flash flood into adjacent homes.
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> I do not believe the FEIS adequately addresses the potential for retention basin failure. I cannot support the FEIS until the retention basins are designed to withstand precipitation predicted to occur in the future. Planning must be based on current climate science and not on historic records.
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> Bill, 808-375-1114, Working2gthr is best
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