

**LETTER TO DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURE DATED
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APPENDIX

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1428 South King Street
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SUBJECT: Proposed Central Maui Landfill Facilities Project at TMK (2)3-8-003:019 (por.), Puunēnē, Maui, Hawai'i

Dear Mr. Enright:

On behalf of the County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management (DEM), please be advised that State Land Use Commission (LUC) Special Use Permit requirements will be addressed for the subject project, a portion of which involves lands designated as Important Agricultural Lands (IAL). See **Exhibit "A"** and **Exhibit "B"**. The proposed project will expand maintenance and landfill related activities adjacent to the existing Central Maui Landfill and will include offices, a refuse collection baseyard, a maintenance facility, a household hazardous and electronic waste collection facility, a construction and demolition material recovery facility, metals processing facility, warehousing and storage facility, and an abandoned vehicle yard. An updated conceptual site plan for the project is provided in **Exhibit "C"**.

Given the use of County lands and funds, a Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes Environmental Assessment (EA) is being prepared to evaluate the proposed project. On July 10, 2015 the DEM requested early consultation comments from your department but did not receive a response. As mentioned above, this project involves IAL lands designated for agricultural use. Pursuant to §15.15.127(b), LUC Rules, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) as noted below, we are writing to you today to respectfully request your comments and/or recommendations on the proposed project.

§15-15-127 Standards and criteria for the reclassification or rezoning of important agricultural lands.

(b) An application for a special permit involving important agricultural lands shall include evidence that the request has been referred to the state department of agriculture and the state office of planning for review and comment and contain as part of the petition any comments or recommendations made by both the state department of agriculture and the state office of planning.

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I would appreciate if you could please provide any early consultation comments or recommendations you may have on the proposed project by May 20, 2016. Please address your written comments to the following:

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Thank you for your assistance with this request. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (808) 244-2015.

Very truly yours,



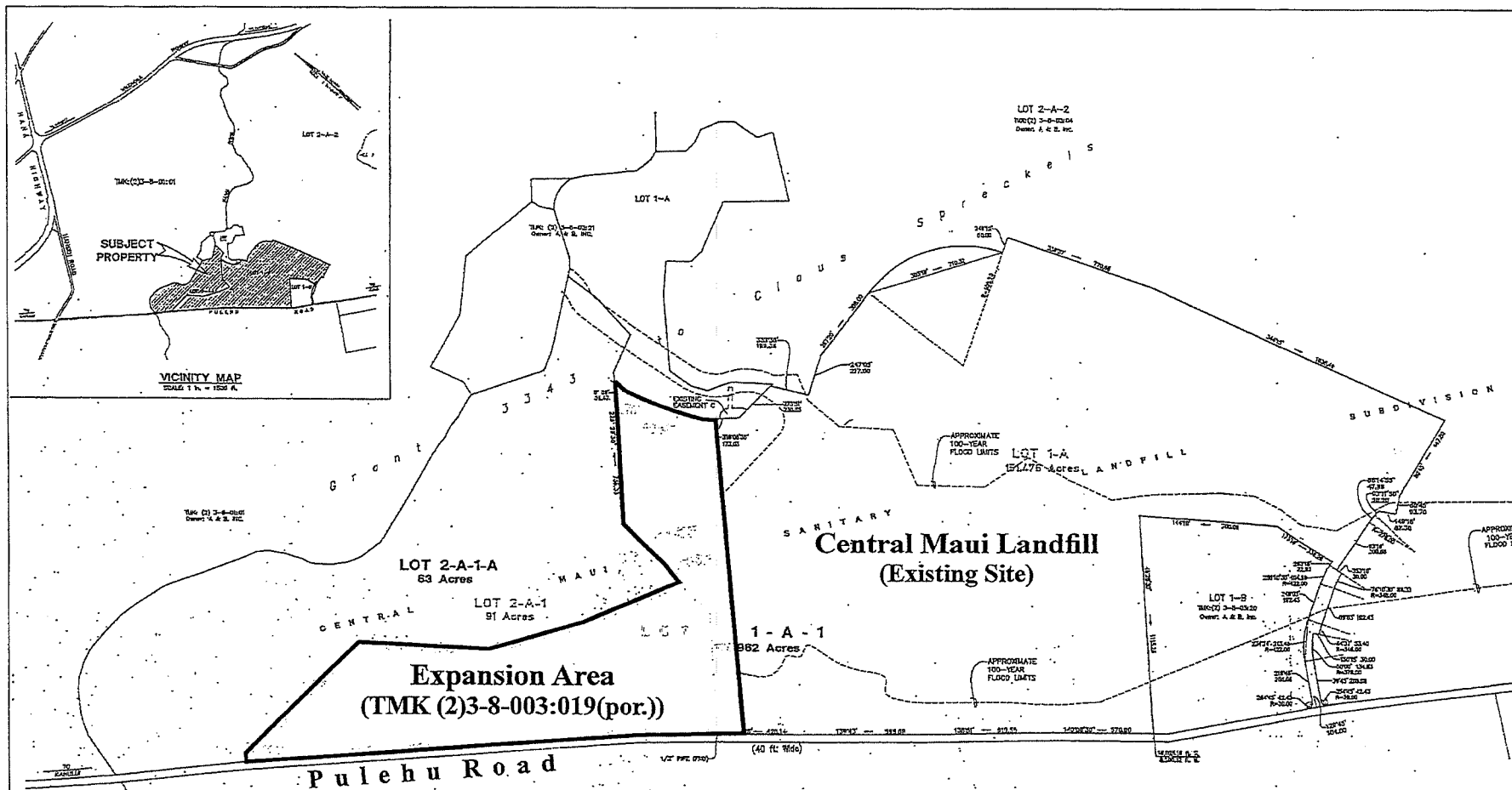
Colleen Suyama
Senior Associate

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Attachments

Cc: Elaine Baker, Department of Environmental Management (w/attachment)

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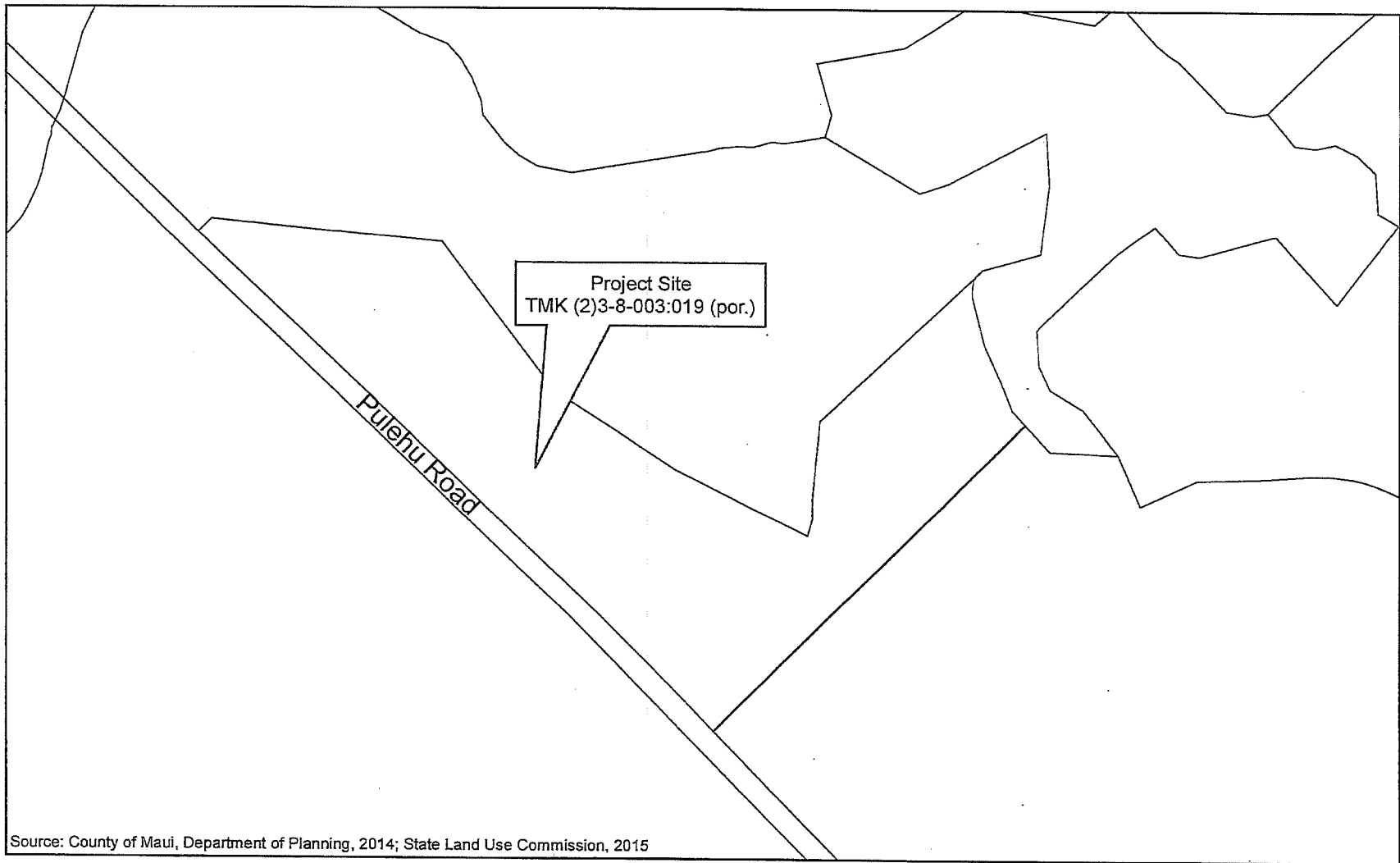
Exhibit "A" Proposed Central Maui Landfill Facilities Project

Project Location Map

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Prepared for: County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management



Source: County of Maui, Department of Planning, 2014; State Land Use Commission, 2015



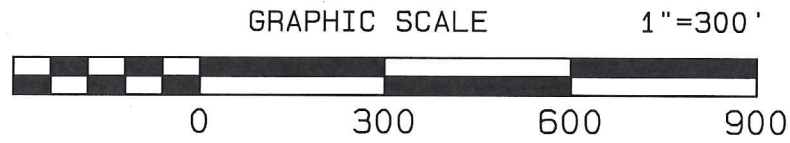
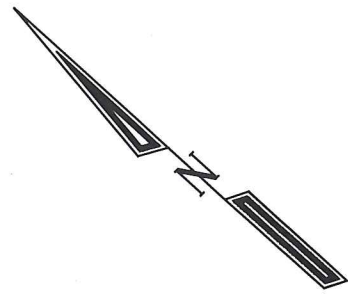
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Central Maui Landfill Facilities Project Important Agricultural Lands Map

Legend

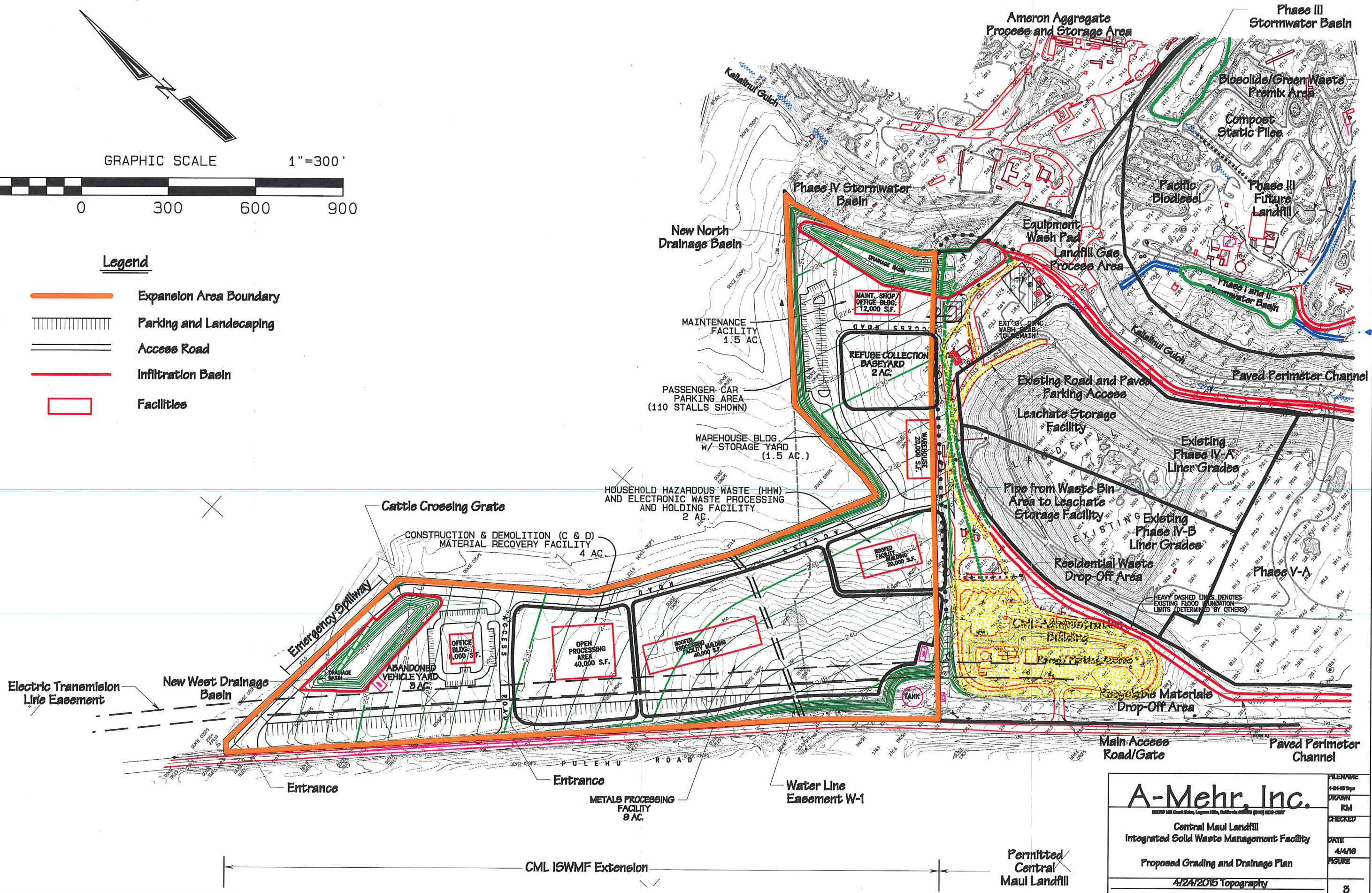
Important Agricultural Lands

EXHIBIT "B"



Legend

- Expansion Area Boundary
- Parking and Landscaping
- Access Road
- Infiltration Basin
- Facilities



A-Mehr, Inc.		FILENAME 4-04-15 Topo
Central Maui Landfill Integrated Solid Waste Management Facility		DRAWN RM
Proposed Grading and Drainage Plan		CHECKED
4/24/2015 Topography		DATE 4/4/16
Permitted Central Maui Landfill		FIGURE 3