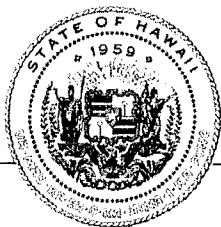


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May 11, 2016

Ms. Colleen Suyama
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Dear Ms. Suyama:

Subject: Proposed Central Maui Landfill Facilities Project
Environmental Assessment Pre-Consultation
State Special Permit
TMK: (2) 3-8-003: 019 (por.)
Puunene, Maui

The Office of Planning (OP) has reviewed the subject preparation notice for an Environmental Assessment (EA) by letter dated August 12, 2015. The comments from this letter remain applicable to the forthcoming draft EA. We note that the site is also within Important Agricultural Lands (IAL), and OP offers the following comments.

1. The County of Maui Department of Environmental Management (DEM) proposes to expand and consolidate maintenance and landfill activities adjacent to the Central Maui Landfill on an approximately 40-acre site.
2. The Draft EA should include detailed information regarding the previous IAL designation approval (DR09-38 Alexander & Baldwin, Inc.), and supporting information on the request for a State Special Permit to allow landfill activities on IAL designated lands.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Lorene Maki of our Land Use Division, at (808) 587-2888.

Sincerely,

Leo R. Asuncion
Director

c: Elaine Baker, Department of Environmental Management
Land Use Commission