## IAL comment

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Comment re IAL

Aloha Riley,

Dawn asked that I forward you the comment below, which was submitted to Ku'iwalu via our company website:

**Jeff Bloom** just submitted your form:

## Message Details:

Name: Jeff Bloom Email: jeffcta@hotmail.com Subject: LUC re IAL Phone: 808-371-6600 Address: Waimanalo, HI

Message: Aloha MS. Chang, I appreciate the time you have donated to sit on the LUC and your patience, especially with laws like IAL that create a very hostile relationship between our elected officials and the small landowner / farmer. I have lived in Waimanalo on a small farm for over 30 years and have belonged to the Waimanalo Agriculture Association for approx 20 years. Years ago we reached out to the State and C&C, with the help of our elected representatives to enforce the flagrant violators on AG lands in Waimanalo. We held meetings, took pictures and documented these flagrant violators, invited any of our elected officials and state employees from various Depts who had jurisdiction to come out and see for themselves. Bottom line, nothing was ever done and all we got was some legal / bureaucratic mumbo jumbo. Creating more laws to scare small landowners and farmers doesn't help anyone. Sorry to reach out through your business site but I know how the State wants to protect volunteers. (Years ago I sat on the Workforce Development Council, appointed by Gov Cayatano and re-apointed by Gov Lingle). I would hope people like you can represent small landowners and farmers. The big landowners (previous Big Five) have deep pockets but the small folks are barely able to survive in HI and certainly

don't have the time, knowledge, or resources to represent themselves in this process. Mahalo again for listening and hopefully keeping the State and County folks honest. They need to enforce the existing laws not just for the big guys but for the little folks too.

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