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Aloha mai kāua e Riley,

My name is Bronson "Kainoa" Azama and I am a youth advocate on the windward side of O'ahu in particular the moku of Ko'olaupoko. I see the LUC has taken the City's Important Agricultural Lands recommendations. I am in deep support of the expansion of these land recommendations, however, I have some concern for Windward O'ahu.

Much has changed in the last few decades and there has been quite the resurgence of returning to agriculture as a viable way of life on the windward side. I would like to see more IAL recommendations in Ko'olaupoko to help with the preservation of these lands and associated rural lifestyle. I would like to see the He'eia Ahupua'a and more areas in Kailua, Hakipu'u, and Waikāne, designated as IAL. Due to their past, current, and future use for Taro cultivation and other forms of traditional agriculture and aquaculture, I find these lands should be designated as IAL to further help in the preservation of rural lifestyle and ancestral abundance. I would like the LUC to further research into Windward O'ahu's land recommendations and include more of our precious agricultural lands.

Would this be something you could help with? As I said I am only a youth advocate and am still learning, so I am unsure who else to turn to, to implement this change.

Aloha nō,
Kainoa