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From: Norman Yamashita Jr <yamashitanurseryllc@gmail.com>
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Dear Chair Scheuer and member of the commission,

My name is Norman Yamashita Jr and iam a landowner/ farmer in Waimanalo and own 1 acre. I recently received a letter from land use commission informing me that my property has been designated by city and county of Honolulu as important agricultural lands.I was informed that the land use commission may be taking action to accept the city and county of Honolulu's important agricultural lands designation which includes my property in Waimanalo. I object to the designation of my property as IAL for the following reasons the process for the IAL designation was flawed and did not fully inform landowners of the designation impact. The LUC process did not provide adequate information as to how the acceptance of these maps would impact our property. There was not clear guidance on how I could opt out of IAL designation and lastly the process was rushed and has left my family and I confused and perplexed.

Please consider my concerns and reject the city and county of Honolulu's representation that it has followed all procedures with respect to state statute. The IAL designation process needs more vetting and land owners must be better informed about there options how such a designation will impact their lands and whether or not the have the ability to opt out of such designation.

Thank You for you Consideration

Sincerely,
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