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From:	Melissa Riverman <rivermaui@gmail.com></rivermaui@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, August 23, 2021 12:56 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

I strongly urge that this remain as a requirement and that hopefully the idea of a round-a-bout in the middle of a highway is NOT consider whatsoever. Please do not remove the requirement for a grade-separated crossing before the opening of the new Kihei High School.

 Safety for the students has to be the highest concern. Having them cross the highway will result in kids running across and potentially being injured or killed.

 There is an appropriate underpass at the Waipuilani Gulch that can be improved with a raised walkway to completely insulate the students from highway traffic.

Melissa Rivereman Kihei Resident Sent from my iPad

From:	annm.garwood@gmail.com
Sent:	Monday, August 23, 2021 2:28 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

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No roundabout! Ann M Garwood

From: Sent: To: Subject: Barbara Wallace <citanmaui@gmail.com> Monday, August 23, 2021 3:12 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Underpass

Please allow the underpass for our high school kids to cross a busy road safest way to go. Please do what's right so our kids can be safe Barb Wallace South Maui Tennis Sent from my iPhone

From:	Larry Stevens <lfstevens@earthlink.net></lfstevens@earthlink.net>
Sent:	Monday, August 23, 2021 6:12 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

Please keep the essential requirement for a grade-separated crossing before the opening of the new Kihei High School.

Safety for the students is critical. Having them walk across the highway will put them in harm's way every morning and every afternoon.

An appropriate underpass is available at Waipuilani Gulch that can be improved with a raised walkway to completely insulate the students from highway traffic.

Larry Stevens Kihei

From:	Nancy Moors <nancy.moorssd@gmail.com></nancy.moorssd@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, August 23, 2021 6:46 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

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There is an appropriate underpass at the Waipuilani Gulch that can be improved with a raised walkway to completely insulate the students from highway traffic.

Please listen to the people!

Nancy Moors 2777 South Kihei Rd. L-104 Kihei, HI 96753

From:	John Naylor <johnnaylor@kula.us></johnnaylor@kula.us>
Sent:	Monday, August 23, 2021 8:11 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

Aloha,

Of course we need an underpass. With the by partisan infrastructure bill passing Congress, there should be money available. The safety of our children should be top priority ! JN Makawao

Please do not remove the requirement for a grade-separated crossing before the opening of the new Kihei High School.

Safety for the students has to be the highest concern. Having them cross the highway will result in kids running across and potentially being injured or killed.

There is an appropriate underpass at the Waipuilani Gulch that can be improved with a raised walkway to completely insulate the students from highway traffic.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kristin Wise <kristinmwise@gmail.com> Monday, August 23, 2021 9:41 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Bridge

I support the walkway under Pilianii bridge to save children's lives .

Sent from my iPhone

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Quinones, Natasha A

From:	DBEDT LUC
Sent:	Tuesday, August 24, 2021 9:03 AM
То:	Quinones, Natasha A
Subject:	FW: [EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei High School) (Maui)
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From: Daryl Hansen <daryl@maui-solar.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 7:51 AM
To: DBEDT LUC <dbedt.luc.web@hawaii.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

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Aloha,

Daryl Hansen Pacific Energy 340 Ohukai Road #207 • Kihei, HI 96753 <u>http://www.Maui-Solar.com</u> Office: 808-280-8135 Sales: 808-818-8995 Direct Mobile: 808-280-1709 Contractor License#: CT-35197

Energy Saving Tips: https://www.maui-solar.com/energy-saving-tips

Tesla Powerwall Comparison Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5SQbJ4PbT-k

Quinones, Natasha A

From: Sent: To: Subject: DBEDT LUC Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:31 AM Quinones, Natasha A FW: [EXTERNAL] Piilani Bridges

-----Original Message-----From: Lola Milani <lolamilani07@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:29 AM To: DBEDT LUC <dbedt.luc.web@hawaii.gov> Subject: [EXTERNAL] Piilani Bridges

I support the walkway under the Piilani bridges, to save the lives of children.

Let's get done NOW before another disaster!

Lola Milani

Quinones, Natasha A

From: Sent: To: Subject: DBEDT LUC Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:32 AM Quinones, Natasha A FW: Stop killing kids

From: Oleg Galushko <homelyn@hotmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 10:31 AM To: DBEDT LUC <dbedt.luc.web@hawaii.gov> Subject: [EXTERNAL] Stop killing kids

I support the walkway under the Piilani bridges, to save the lives of children.

From: Sent: To: Subject: stationaloha (null) <stationaloha@aol.com> Tuesday, August 24, 2021 10:12 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Keep our HS students safe!!

Aloha!

Please stand strong on the agreement already made for the Kihei HS keiki safe route to school - underpass is a must!!

Mahalo,

Michelle Almeida

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Natalia Hussey-Burdick <n.hussey@capitol.hawaii.gov> on behalf of Rep. Tina Wildberger <repwildberger@capitol.hawaii.gov></repwildberger@capitol.hawaii.gov></n.hussey@capitol.hawaii.gov>
Sent:	Tuesday, August 24, 2021 1:47 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	Testimony for tomorrow's LUC hearing
Attachments:	2021.08 Testimony Re KHS Underpass.pdf
Attachments.	

Aloha LUC Administrators,

Apologies for the tardiness of the attached testimony, Rep Wildberger was told this item was being taken off the agenda so we weren't going to submit it, but seeing as the agenda has still not yet been amended, we are submitting this testimony just in case.

Mahalo nui,

Natalia Hussey-Burdick

Office Manager Office of Representative Tina Wildberger, 11th District Hawaii State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street, Room 327 Honolulu, HI 96813 (808) 586-8525 n.hussey@capitol.hawaii.gov

From: Sent: To: Subject: Pat Noto <mauinoto@hotmail.com> Thursday, August 26, 2021 7:48 AM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] kihei high school

i support the walkway under the piilani bridges to save the lives of children Sent from my iPhone

From:	DBEDT LUC
То:	Quinones, Natasha A; Orodenker, Daniel E; Derrickson, Scott A
Subject:	FW: LUC Agenda Item # A11-794 - Grade Separated Crossing to Kihei High School
Date:	Tuesday, August 31, 2021 7:46:40 AM
Attachments:	image001.png
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Kihei HS testimony

From: Chad Goodfellow <chadg@goodfellowbros.com>
Sent: Monday, August 30, 2021 9:10 AM
To: DBEDT LUC <dbedt.luc.web@hawaii.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] LUC Agenda Item # A11-794 - Grade Separated Crossing to Kihei High School

My name is Chad Goodfellow and I am the CEO of Goodfellow Bros. a heavy civil construction company that works in the west coast and Hawaii. While I do not know all the specifics in regards to this project, our company has built many pedestrian underpasses throughout the west coast. When designed correctly, underpasses are an affordable and viable way to help improve pedestrian safety and help traffic flows.

In the case of the Kihei High School, I believe that an underpass should be studied as a possible solution to help our keiki travel to and from school. As a parent, the associated risk of an underpass compared to crossing the highway seems far less when good controls are put in place. I am confident that HDOT, the DOE, and the south Maui community are trying their best to mitigate a very difficult problem, and I hope that they can come to an agreeable solution that will ensure our children's safety and a timely opening of the Kihei High School.

Aloha, Chad

Chad Goodfellow

Chief Executive Officer

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From:	Tim Hailey <mauihail@gmail.com></mauihail@gmail.com>
Sent:	Saturday, September 4, 2021 12:56 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] OPPOSING Agenda Item #5: ACTION - A11-794 State of Hawai'i, Dept. of Education – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

Aloha,

Being a full-time resident of Kihei/Wailea, I am very concerned about the safety of not having an overpass or underpass by Kihei High School on Piilani Highway.

How are the hundreds of students going to cross this road safely without safe passage? Also, the traffic in this region is already so bad without the High School there.

Without an overpass or underpass, students will be risking their lives to cross the road and traffic will become even more unbearable.

Please consider doing the right thing by adding this safe passage to the students who will attend Kihei High School.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Tim Hailey Full time Resident

From: Sent: To: Subject:

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Michelle Lazuka <michellelazuka@gmail.com> Saturday, September 4, 2021 4:36 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Kihei High School Underpass

I am a resident of Kihei and feel strongly that the DOE requirement to create an off grade crossing be retained and that an underpass is the most logical way to achieve this. There will be far too many accidents involving pedestrian students and a traffic nightmare everyday if the requirement is dropped.

Michelle Lazuka Maui Tutoring 809-500-8881 mauitutoring.com

From:	Nancy Sparks <nmsparks@gmail.com></nmsparks@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, September 5, 2021 1:44 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] OPPOSING Agenda Item #5: ACTION - A11-794 State of Hawai'i, Dept. of
	Education – (Kihei High School) (Maui)

Dear LUC Members:

It is my understanding that as part of the approval for the new Kihei High School, approved plans included the requirement that either an overpass or underpass be constructed to provide safe passage for the high school students to cross the Pi'ilani Highway on their way to and from school. This approach has the benefit of both the safest passage for the students as well as minimal impact on the highway traffic.

I also understand that the DOE is now petitioning - again- to remove this requirement. They have proposed, instead, some other form of "at grade crossing," specifically installation of a roundabout traffic circle.

I respectfully request that the LUC uphold the original approval conditions and require a pedestrian overpass (or underpass, although I have a strong preference for the overpass approach).

Adding a roundabout is an approach fraught with peril: Local drivers as well as the vast majority of tourists are not confident in proper use of a roundabout, particularly if it is a four lane roundabout. Add a steady stream of high school students navigating the circle twice a day to the drivers' uncertainty of who has what right of way, and I fear you have a recipe for a choked line of cars at best and a disastrous accident at worst.

Having direct experience with additional burdens on traffic resulting from the Kihei Charter School at the top of Lipoa Street (as one example of continued development that has a direct impact on traffic patterns), there is no question in my mind that any sort of "at grade crossing" a few blocks up the road will only serve to exacerbate already challenging traffic issues.

If you are able to take a step back and consider the big picture, is there any question in your mind that the safest approach is one where pedestrians need not interact with the vehicles at all? Whether it's a cross walk with a stop light, or the riskier roundabout approach, there is high potential risk of danger to pedestrian's crossing. With an over (or under) pass, that risk is zero. (And the minimal / non-existent effect on vehicular traffic is an added bonus.)

It is my sincere hope that the LUC will prioritize the safety of the students, as well as consider the negative traffic impacts, and hold fast on the requirement for an overpass (or underpass). How, in good conscience, could you decide otherwise?

- Nancy Sparks 1667-A So Kihei Rd Kihe HI 96753

From: Sent: To: Subject: Robert Wintner <robertw@snorkelbob.com> Sunday, September 5, 2021 3:40 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Overpass/Underpass near the new Kihei High School

Aloha LUC,

Please facilitate construction of an underpass or overpass for kids to cross Piilani Highway safely on their way to Kihei High School—for traffic into and out of Kihei to proceed at current efficiency—for life in Kihei to stabilize instead of compress one more time because of a job half done.

Please do the responsible thing.

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Robert Wintner, Kihei

From: Sent: To: Subject: Nick Drance <nick@themauimiracle.org> Sunday, September 5, 2021 4:24 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] 2020A11-794 Kihei HS

I do not support the removal of the requirement for an overpass/underpass near the new Kihei High School. I personally support an underpass. Requirements are placed for a reason, without the expectation that they will be undone. The safety of our Children should be a paramount concern. Creating a cross way at road level stops traffic at rush hour for the many hotel workers in Wailiea during their peak times.

The Community has spoken often and loudly about this. It's not fair that we should have to work so hard and long to make our voices heard. We live here, these are our children and this is our community. Please do not waive this requirement.

Mahalo,

Nick Drance

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Nick Drance Kihei, Hi 96753

From: Sent: To: Subject: antonia <wholisticchoices@yahoo.com> Sunday, September 5, 2021 5:37 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] 2020 A11-794 Kihei HS

This email serves as written testimony against granting the removal of the requirement for an overpass or underpass under Piilani Highway for the future Kihei High School. The LUC required the DOE to construct a proper safe crossing for children and all pedestrians to get from one side of the highway to the other. However, they want to save money, back up traffic, and ultimately risk children's lives crossing a busy highway. In no other state that I can think of would this even be considered. The DOE has provided no safety data to backup the request for the removal for the overpass or underpass. Do not grant their request. Antonia Debevec

1874 Kaahele Pl, Kihei

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Sent: To: Subject: Chad Paranto <chadparanto@gmail.com> Sunday, September 5, 2021 8:33 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Idea

Aloha

Thank you for taking the time to hear me out.

While I think both options have dangers... the reality is that unless there will be security at the underpass... there is a major issue that I have not seen addressed. Let me explain... for decades troubled teens have sought out areas like under bridges to gather and hang out, smoke weed and graffiti walls and even fight. Imagine being a timid Freshman or sophomore and having to walk a narrow path under highway where there could be a group of seniors hanging out harassing and hazing the younger kids. Fighting will occur there where it's out of sight and kids fight. Not to mention the thought of flash flood concerns.

Bridge ... some of the same issues but less as it's in plain sight. But the bridge has its own issues of elevation and wind.

The best solution is 3 timed police escorted crossings. ... similar to Kihei charter on lipoa. The light would be stopped no longer than the current light at Safeway, with the officers safely escorting 300+ kids per crossing. Let's face it, not all kids walk across... some bus and many drive or get dropped off. The reality is about three crossings of 300 kids each ... every 10 min would get the same results and not back up traffic any more than the Safeway light. Should only take about 90 seconds to herd 300 people across the highway.

But if my last idea cannot be grasped then the overpass is the only option. You cannot send kids safely thru a tunnel that is out of sight unless it's supervised by an adult official. There is just way too much that could happen. High schools have kids who have rival clicks and expecting them to behave after school while on a path where nobody can see them is crazy... kids will definitely be getting beat up, hazed, harassed, physically and mentally assaulted.

Speaking from a parent who's child will be attending soon... You all need to think about the reality of high school kids and their tension between each other... boyfriend and girlfriend and another boy, rival gangs, and just bullies. I know if I were a child I would never feel safe walking under there not knowing each day what I would encounter there.

I hope you all put some serious thoughts to my objections as these are more serious than any other objections I have heard for either option.

Thank you for your time

Aloha, Chad Paranto 808-222-3055

From:	Leslie Wilson < lwilson@centaurproducts.com>
Sent:	Monday, September 6, 2021 5:08 AM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Kihei High School Crossing Opposing Agenda #5

We are property owners in the Wailea Fairway Villas complex and oppose the DOE proposal to eliminate an overpass or underpass for students to safely cross Piilani Highway. We are very concerned about the safety of the students.

Thank you,

David & Leslie Wilson Wailea Fairway Villas 3950 KalaiWaa Street #Q103 Kihei, HA 96753

From:	Kay Carlyle <kaycarlyle@earthlink.net></kaycarlyle@earthlink.net>
Sent:	Monday, September 6, 2021 6:31 AM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Please make an underpass for new Kihei High school

I live in Kihei and I want an underpass for the new Kihei high school, not a roundabout. Let's do the right thing and make it safe for drivers and pedestrians.

Kay Carlyle

From:Lee Cone <lgcone@me.com>Sent:Monday, September 6, 2021 8:18 AMTo:DBEDT LUCSubject:[EXTERNAL] I support an overpass or an underpass for the new high school

I am writing in support of an overpass or an underpass crossing Pi'ilani Highway for the new high school. It is the only way to keep students safe. Any other option is too risky and too dangerous.

Lee Cone 1090 Kupulau Drive Kihei, HI 96753

From:	S del George <sdg4vfx@yahoo.com></sdg4vfx@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Monday, September 6, 2021 9:18 AM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Cc:	sdg
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Ref: 2020 A11-794 Kihei HS

Re: 2020 A11-794 Kihei HS

Topic - The requirement for an overpass or underpass should not be waived.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Annette Schmidt <annettejpschmidt@gmail.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 11:24 AM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Hearing input

Dear team,

As a Kihei citizen, I would like add my strong support that the requirement for an overpass or underpass be maintained.

Thank you so much for listening to community input !!

with much aloha and many mahalos,

♡ Annette

Annette Julia Pearson Schmidt 74 Laukahi Street Kihei, HI 96753 925-216-0381

annettejpschmidt@gmail.com

Let love be my legacy...

From:	Rob Weltman <robw@worldspot.com></robw@worldspot.com>
Sent:	Monday, September 6, 2021 11:37 AM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Testimony on A11-794 STATE OF HAWAII, DEPT. OF EDUCATION – (Kihei
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There is an appropriate underpass at the Waipuilani Gulch that can be improved with a raised walkway to completely insulate the students from highway traffic.

The underpass is needed also from a traffic perspective. Flow shuts down already on Piilani Highway when kids cross at the Lipoa intersection on their way to/from Kihei Charter School. Adding flashing lights or a traffic light for the many more students of the new High School to cross the road just two blocks away will make the road unusable for residents and for the many hospitality industry workers who rely on it.

Me ke aloha, Rob

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From:Janine Masaki <janinemasaki@hotmail.com>Sent:Monday, September 6, 2021 11:41 AMTo:DBEDT LUCSubject:[EXTERNAL] KEEP Requirement for Kihei HS's (Under) PASS

Now, there is a question of even "keeping this requirement?"

PLEASE KEEP THIS REQUIREMENT. I am not yelling; this is is lieu of BOLD or Underlined text for EMPHASIS Only.

An underpass would most definitely be the better solution please.

Thank you, Janine Masaki Linko Maui Meadows

Sent from my iPhone

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From:	ross cromwell < cromwell.ross@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, September 6, 2021 12:00 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Kihei high school under/over pass

support building and under or an overpass for the Kihei High School 100%. any other solution is very short sighted. I am a property owner in South Kihei and travel that road daily ,having seen traffic at the other high schools at the beginning and end of the day it would be bedlam and dangerous for people to try to cross the street under that condition. Ross Cromwell

cromwell.ross@gmail.com

From: Sent: To: Subject: Karin Carlson <karinonmaui@gmail.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 1:33 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] 2020 A11 - 794 Kihei HS

Aloha State Land Use Commission:

Please keep the July 2013 conditions in place for a grade separated crossing to the Kihei High School and make it the underpass crossing along the top portion of the gulch.

Thanks, Karin



Karin S. Carlson, REALTOR[®]/Broker, ABR, AHWD, BPOR, CRS, e-PRO, GRI, RSPS, SFR, SRS State of Hawaii License: RB-19739



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From: Sent: To: Subject: Steve Freid <freidonmaui@gmail.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 2:11 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Ref: 2020 A11-794 Kihei HS

I support an overpass or underpass for the high school in Kihei!!

Aloha and Sawadee Kap,

Steve Freid

http://lifeonmaui.com/ 213-293-5043

From:	Thomas Mellin <tmellin@yahoo.com></tmellin@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Monday, September 6, 2021 1:44 PM
То:	DBEDT LUC
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Ref: 2020 A11-794 Kihei HS

It is hard to believe that they are still fighting to endanger children. The requirement was always there. Remember: if this requirement is waived, when a child is killed, you will remember this vote. I cannot imagine that you would want that to happen.

Also, an overpass is a really bad idea. Besides the facts that fewer people would use it and that it is more expensive, unthinking people throw rocks from overpasses. A quick Google search had this as the top item: <u>https://www.wsp.wa.gov/2021/06/21/wsp-chief-batiste-asks-for-publics-help-in-rock-throwing-incidents/</u>.

I don't know why these people are so attached to forcing children to cross a busy highway, but I have hope that you will continue to see this issue as you have.

Aloha, Tom Mellin 40 Halili Ln, Kihei

From: Sent: To: Subject: Craig Haueisen <Craig.Haueisen@movement.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 2:45 PM DBEDT LUC; Craig Haueisen [EXTERNAL] Ref: 2020 A11-794 Kihei HS

Aloha,

Anything but a roundabout!

Underpass, overpass, streetlights, just not a roundabout.

Craig

Sent from Mail for Windows

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Greg Brown <gjbrown337@gmail.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 3:19 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] High school

I vote for a underpass.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Julie Ferenci <julieferenci@gmail.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 4:10 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Ref: 2020 A11-794 Kihei HS

Should the requirement for an overpass or underpass we waived?

Absolutely not.

Julie Ferenci

3500 Malina Place

Kihei, HI 96753

323-449-9967

From: Sent: To: Subject: Matthew Gurewitsch <matthew@alohaheights.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 6:32 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] Overpass of underpass for Maui High School

Aloha!

I'm writing to urge the State Land Use Commission, in the strongest possible terms, to preserve the requirement for an overpass or underpass—and to invalidate the waiver that is currently in effect. Access to the school via a crosswalk on the highway is a recipe for tragedy upon tragedy. We cannot allow our keiki to be exposed to this kind of danger every day on their way to and from school. And let's not forget that vehicular accidents have impact on drivers and their ohana, too. For the sake of the whole community, please let reason prevail, invalidate the ill-advised waiver, and reinstate the life-saving requirement of an overpass or underpass.

Mahalo for your attention and consideration.

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Matthew Gurewitsch 3415 Kuaua Pl. Kihei (Maui) HI 96753

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From: Sent: To: Subject: aerie waters <aeriewaters@gmail.com> Monday, September 6, 2021 7:03 PM DBEDT LUC [EXTERNAL] overpass or underpass

Do one or the other...protect our keoni

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[EXTERNAL] Please deny DOE's petition for grade-level school crossing

Aloha Land Use Commission,

I'm testifying to urge the Commission to deny DOE's petition to change the above- or below-grade requirement for students to cross Pi'ilani Highway to the new high school. I live off KalaniHakoi in the subdivision directly across the highway from the new school. Although this subdivision is in a sheltered enclosure, the highway noise sounds like we are living just below a major freeway. Driving from South Kihei to make my left turnoff onto KalaniHakoi, I'm stuck there sometimes for many minutes in the turn lane while the ongoing traffic whips past at terrifying speeds. My car is heavy and built close to the ground. Even so, it gets jostled alarmingly in the high winds caused in large part by vehicles racing 20+ miles above the speed limit, most in the left lane between 50 and 65 but plenty at 70 and above. Until I can get safely wedged into the left turn section, other cars ride up my bumper, pressuring me to speed up too. All it would take is a split-second attention lapse of an oncoming car for me to get knocked across the road and cause a multiple wreck in both directions. But I'd be inside my car. Imagine what it could do to a child on foot or skateboard? Or 3 or 4 adolescents walking abreast? They are under pressure to get to class on time. Or practice. Or rehearsal. Or meetings. When 2 minutes can make the difference in a lowered grade or some form of demerit, it's easy to see how some students under duress might be tempted to run across against a stoplight.

A walkway under the Waipuilani and KalaniHakoi Bridges would provide access mauka and makai to high school students and charter school students up the hill on Lipoa. Engineering information and responses to concerns about homeless encampment in the gulch and possible flooding have both been clearly addressed by Buck Joiner and others who have examined the situation in detail. Neither is an actual problem. By contrast, building an overpass would be challenging, hugely expensive, dangerous, a problem for ADA access, and unnecessary. A natural walkway under the bridge exists that some keiki already use in its unfinished rough state. Even so, it's much safer than walking along the highway where it's narrowed at the bridges.

This is a very dangerous stretch of road. Despite police issuing tickets up and down the highway, cars speed and traffic is heavy. A grade-level crossing would inevitably translate to sacrificed keiki lives. In the face of that inevitability, how important is it to persist in pressing for grade-level pedestrian crossing? What could possibly be justify doing so? Community members have provided ample evidence with photos and maps of precisely how the below-grade walkway would work, at a cost of almost nothing, and be completed in a few weeks. What's not to like about this solution?

Community members do not understand why DOE persists in these repeated efforts to subvert what is legally required and what is clearly the will of the people. I have seen no argument advanced for why DOE would even want to set aside the requirement for safe passage.

I urge the LUC to deny DOE's request and to stipulate that no future requests will be entertained, period. It's been a hard couple of years for students kept out of the classroom and off the playing fields during the pandemic. Let the Keiki get across safely and get back to school without further unnecessary delay!

Mahalo for your consideration,

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I am a resident of south Maui and strongly oppose the DOE being let out of its requirement to build an off grade crossing.

It will inevitably result in a pedestrian-vehicular accident and will exacerbate the already gridlocked traffic at heavy traffic times. This makes no sense when there is the inexpensive and simple step of creating underpasses in the dry gulches on either side of the high school.

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Re: KIHEI HIGH SCHOOL meeting 9/8/21.

Aloha

On Piilani Hwy, near the new Kihei High School, there are dangerous sidewalks for hundreds of students who will need to walk, bike, or skate to school, who live less than 1.5 miles away, and are ineligible for a school bus ride.

Either the cement bridges at Waipuilani and Kulanihakoi need to be widened, or safe walkways, bike paths, above, below or beside the bridges need to be built to provide safe access for students coming to and from school. Take the 3 foot wide spaces between the edge of the Piilani Hwy and the cement bridges, add groups of youth and fast moving cars and cyclist or two and we have got the scene set for fatal injuries.

Mahalo for your attention to this matter. Please save our youth! Sincerely,

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