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Mr. Scott Derrickson
State of Hawaii, Land Use Commission
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 406
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804

Dear Mr. Derrickson:

Subject: LUC Docket No. A03-739, Proposed Kanaha Hotel DEIS, Kahului, Maui TMK (2) 3-8-103:014 por., 015 por., 016, 017, and 018

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the subject Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the proposed Kanaha Hotel.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Division of Forestry and Wildlife operates out of the DNLR Maui Base Yard, situate on government lands identified as Tax Map Key (2) 3-8-079-018 directly adjacent to the subject premises (see map below). Various other State and County agencies (DAGS, HDOT, DOD, DWS) also have offices and base yards located within the 22-acre parcel of land. All agencies use a series of internal access routes to carry out essential government functions, including ingress and egress of workers, vehicles, and heavy and light equipment. At this time, access routes thru the government property are open and accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Those internal access routes have not been improved to current County of Maui roadway standards and therefore are not suitable for public vehicular traffic. We are concerned that the proposed intersection being planned directly across our southern entry way may result in overuse and traffic congestion resulting from the proposed development. We anticipate motorists attempting to cross through the government parcel as a short cut between Haleakala Highway and Keolani Place.

We did not find an assessment of those potential impacts in the DEIS and Traffic Impact Analysis Report and are requesting that the DEIS address those potential impacts, with identification of proposed mitigative measures as appropriate.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (808) 984-8107 if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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