comments on M 26
proposed lease for the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) at the Port Allen Harbor on Kaua’i
for Board of Land and Natural Resources
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Please delay a vote until the public has been provided with enough information to make meaningful comments on whether segmentation is occurring.

If past and/or future activities on the lease area are related to the proposed Homeland Defense Radar, the Port Allen lease may need to be evaluated under the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the radar, to avoid segmentation.

As you know, the radar EIS is evaluating PMRF as one possible site. The radar is a $1.9 billion, 85-foot tall structure that will occupy up to 150 acres during construction, and 50 acres when completed. Concerns have been raised about native seabirds, cultural resources, agricultural land, toxic waste, and local infrastructure.

Please delay your vote, and call for this information to be on the staff submittal when the vote is again agendized:

1 - Does the Navy currently have a lease for the area?

2 – If so, when was it issued?

3 - Was an Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Study done for that lease?

4 - What activities have occurred and/or will occur in the lease area related to the Homeland Defense Radar?

5 – Should the Port Allen lease be evaluated under the radar EIS?