From: <u>Santo Giorgio</u>

To: <u>DLNR.BLNR.Testimony</u>

Cc: Hayley Ham Young Giorgio (hayleyhamyoung@mac.com)

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Approve Agenda Item E-1!!

Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 1:02:53 PM

Aloha Chair Case and Board Members of DLNR

I'm writing to you as Ha'ena resident and Member of the Hui Maka'ainana o Makana. I have been volunteering with the Hui for over 7 years along with my wife Hayley and two boys. When the Master Plan was approved by your Board in 2018 a paradigm shift started in our community. The park improvements and implementation of shuttle service was a benefit to everyone. Ha'ena Residents saw less traffic, Island residents came back to Ke'e and the visitor (and everyone's) park experience was enhanced by a beautiful walking path and having less people on the trail and beach.

Approval of Agenda Item E-1 is **Critical** to continue the successes we have made despite Floods, Covid and Landslides.

I know the people involved in the partnership between the Hui and Hanalei Initiative. These are committed, intelligent and talented individuals who have experience and expertise to complete what was started. By having the shuttle and parking lot managed by one entity (instead of two as currently) will allow for more specialized reservations getting more people out of their cars and onto the shuttle and that benefits the local environment and anyone who shares it.

Thank you for your consideration.

Santo Giorgio

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www.dchawaii.com O: 808 828-0160 C: 808 634-0637 From: Peter Morimoto
To: DLNR.BLNR.Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Revocable Permit for Hā'ena State Park

Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 1:22:49 PM

Dear Chairperson Case and Board Members,

I support the application for a Revocable Permit for Management of a Reservation System for the Collection of Parking and Entry Fees, Shuttle Services and Resource Enhancement at Hā'ena State Park, Kaua'i, Hawai'i, Tax Map Keys: (4) 5-9-001: Portion of 022 and (4) 5-9-008:001.

The State, in partnership with Hui Maka'ãinana o Makana, has done a great job of preserving and restoring important archaeological features within the park, enhancing the visitor's experience in the process.

Allowing the Hui to manage the parking and the shuttle service will make accessing the park more efficient and the shuttle sustainable.

Thank you for your consideration.

Peter Morimoto

From: Colleen Wann
To: DLNR.BLNR.Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Approval of BLNR agenda item E-1

Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:07:24 PM

> On Jun 23, 2021, at 9:57 PM, Colleen Wann < this wann@yahoo.com > wrote: > Aloha BLNR and Chair Case, > Thank you for this opportunity to submit this testimony in supporting the approval of agenda item E-1. As a lineal descendant of Ha'ena and the > NaPali coast, we are very protective of our place and it's natural resources. With this board's approval, I feel, that this will be another step and > good example for the State of Hawaii and for community based management collaboration, especially for Ha'ena and other Hawaii communities. > Management of the parking lot / shuttle will fulfill one of the vision and goals of the Ha'ena State Park Master plan and for our non-profit Hui Maka' > Ainana O Makana, which formed twenty two years ago. With the potential generated revenue, we could fund the Hui's operational budget, youth > programs and provide employment opportunities for our isolated community. I, also, feel that the potential parking lot/shuttle revenue will benefit > the County of Kaua'i and the State of Hawaii by keeping generated monies locally. In a recent presentation to the Hui Maka'ainana O Makana, we > felt that the parking lot / shuttle operational data and projections compiled by The Hanalei Initiative were viable and solid. Through out the > recent series of disruptive events like 2018 flooding and landslides, Hanalei landslide, and the Covid 19 pandemic, The Hanalei Initiative has > Proven it's dedication to the Hanalei, Wainiha, and the Ha'ena communities. We are confident that with this approval, it will demonstrate benefits > on many levels for governmental and community collaboration yet unseen. We are asking for your confidence, courage, and trust in this matter. > Thank you again for this opportunity to comment on this important issue. > > Mahalo Nui Loa, Presley Wann (current President for the Hui Maka'ainana O Makana)

From: <u>Hayley K. Giorgio</u>
To: <u>DLNR.BLNR.Testimony</u>

Cc: Santo Giorgio; Chipper Wichman; Kirsten Hermstad; Presley Wann

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Approve Agenda Item E-1, mahalo nui.

Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:17:31 PM

Aloha Chair Case and Board Members of DLNR,

I'm writing to you today as a Ha'ena native-resident and 'Ohana Council Member of Hui Maka'ainana o Makana. My father and grandmother were part of the formation of the Hui back in the 90's... now my sons, husband and I have become a part of the Hui and caring for the land at Ke'e.

Since the 2018 flood, it gave the Hui the time needed to implement our master plan for the park. It has been a HUGE positive for many reasons:

- local employment
- the beginning of traffic solutions integrating the shuttle system and establishing park capacity
- better access for local use
- less impact on the natural environment

Approval of Agenda Item E-1 is necessary in continuing the success and progress we've had, despite the pandemic and recent natural disasters. And with allowing the Hui to manage the park as a whole, we're able to efficiently run the shuttle and parking system... essential to the continuing improvement of the park and our community.

Mahalo nui for your time and consideration!

Malama pono,

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