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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:37:06 AM
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Doug Smith

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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
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To whom this may concern,

I am contacting you to support the Revised Final Environmental Impact Statement for the West Hawaii Aquarium Fishery, Published June 8 2021, in the environmental notice.

The Aquarium Fishery in West Hawaii is very well managed, and has been studied closely and shown over the past 20 years to be sustainable.

Additional limits on collectors, species, and catch numbers further safeguard potential over-exploitation of the States Marine Resources.

The Aquarium Fishery in Hawaii has enabled people the world over without the means to travel to Hawaii, to visit Public Aquariums, keep aquariums, and to appreciate the beauty and learn about the marine life of Hawaii.

Exposure to and appreciation for Hawaiian marine life creates an awareness and understanding of the importance of the health and viability of our oceans.

I encourage your support for the Revised FEIS and the Revised whitelist and limited Permit issuance, which will further ensure the ongoing sustainability of the Aquarium Fishery in West Hawaii.

Best Regards,
Jose M. Avila | General Manager
Tel: 956-682-7333
Reef Valley
101 N. Mccoll Rd. Unit 4 Mcallen, TX. 78501

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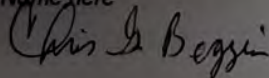
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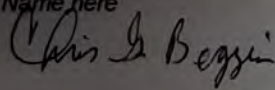
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Howerd Berkowitz
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East Brunswick, NJ 08816

June 22, 2021

Dear Hawaii Board of Land and Natural Resources,

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The Proposed Action is an overall reduction in take over the Pre-Aquarium Collection Ban alternative. Although I felt the fishery was sustainable in the past, a common critique is that there are no limits. Reducing catches by approving only the seven proposed permits is a practical approach to address this concern. This will ensure the vitality and sustainability of the West Hawaii Fishery while addressing the critics.

Enforcement has always been another talking point of those opposed to any fishery. By issuing seven permits, the fishermen can easily self-police as they know who is permitted to legally fish. The limitation on the number of permits also assists DOCARE/enforcement as they will easily know who is legally allowed to fish by the limited number of boats which are registered.

Sincerely,
Howard Berkowitz

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The Board of Land and Natural Resources

RE: Support for the West Hawaii Environmental Impact Statement published 8th June 2021 --- Supportive Testimony

Dear Chair and Board members:

We contact you today to support the Revised Final Environmental Impact Statement (RFEIS) for the West Hawai'i Aquarium Fishery published June 8, 2021, in The Environmental Notice. The Ornamental Aquatic Trade Association (OATA) is a representative body for the UK ornamental aquatic trade, setting standards for animal welfare, health, biosecurity and sustainability. As an organization we regularly feed into consultations associated with the trade in ornamental fish at both national and international levels, utilizing expert advice from the trade and academia to promote a trade that works for both people and animals.

Pursuant to the best available science of the RFEIS, the *REVISED WHITE LIST AND LIMITED PERMIT ISSUANCE (PREFERRED) ALTERNATIVE* was developed that addresses the stated reason for denial of the previous FEIS submittal.

We have assessed the associated material and make the following conclusions:

This is the result of a highly rigorous study, utilizing a high resolution of data over twenty plus years of monitoring. The preferred alternative is sustainable, only allowing take of species proven stable and increasing in local population sizes.

The total allowable catch set out in the table below represents a relatively low impact on local populations according to the data in the EIS. The use of slot limits for harvesting is welcome, as this protects large fecund individuals in the population (of which there is no market demand for) to preserve high levels of recruitment which is essential to the resilience of fish stocks. The use of this method of size regulation is well documented in other fisheries as a more sustainable alternative of fisheries management (Arlinghaus, Matsumura and Dieckmann, 2010; Gwinn *et al.*, 2015). It is also worth noting that the allowable take is an overall reduction from historic averages to ensure a buffer for climate change. In addition, the provision of nearby no-take-zones will also preserve recruitment and local migration to increase the resilience of the ornamental fishery in Hawaii (Roberts, Hawkins and Gell, 2015).

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OATA encourages you to support to this program. This well-regulated artisanal fishery has great potential to empower local people to conserve their local marine environments through the provision of sustainable livelihoods. The trade in ornamental fish is dependent on low-impact fisheries that protects native flora and fauna, and this fishery has the potential to be a model example of effective fisheries regulation for ornamental fisheries around the world.

Kind Regards,

Dr Matthew Bond
Ornamental Aquatic Trade Association

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Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 10:23:12 AM

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Mary F. Trufant
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From: [Robert Bray](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Cc: [Nick Jones](#); [Fisher Bray](#); [Peter Izzo](#); [Joe Orrico](#); [Danny Williams](#); [Cameron Provost](#); [Kevin Finegood](#); [Helen Bray](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Aquarium Fishery in Hawaii
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:38:01 AM
Attachments: [Hawaiiin Aquarium Fishes Plea.pdf](#)

Dear Chair Case and Boardmembers,

My name is Robert Bray, and I am the owner of House of Fins in Greenwich, CT where I employ 19 full-time employees in the retail aquarium trade.

I am contacting you to support the Revised Final Environmental Impact Statement for the West Hawaii Aquarium Fishery, Published June 8 2021, in the environmental notice. My experience is that the Aquarium Fishery in West Hawaii is very well managed, has been studied closely, and has shown over the past 20 years to be sustainable. Additional limits on collectors, species, and catch numbers further safeguard potential over-exploitation of the States Marine Resources. The Aquarium Fishery in Hawaii has enabled people the world over without the means to travel to Hawaii to visit Public Aquariums, keep aquariums, and to appreciate the beauty and learn about the marine life of Hawaii. Exposure to and appreciation for Hawaiian marine life creates an awareness and understanding of the importance of the health and viability of our oceans. I encourage your support for the Revised FEIS and the Revised whitelist and limited Permit issuance, which will further ensure the ongoing sustainability of the Aquarium Fishery in West Hawaii.

Sincerely,

Robert Bray, Owner, House of Fins

June 22nd, 2021

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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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Dear

Thank you for your email.

Please contact us if you have further query.

Thank you and best regards
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Dear Hawaii Board of Land and Natural Resources,

I support DLNR's adoption of the Environmental Impact Statement analyzing Issuance of Commercial Aquarium Permits for the West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area (WHRFMA). This EIS fully analyzes all of the potential impacts the Hawaii aquarium fishery may have on the environment under each of the alternatives. The EIS proposes measures to avoid and minimize already insignificant impacts on fish species and the environment in the WHRFMA.

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John M Cwaygel

From: [Deven de](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 6:38:15 AM

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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 4:25:14 AM
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Best Regards,

Frank de Goey
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Ruinemans Aquarium B.V.

From: [Andre de Voogd](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 3:47:59 AM

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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support
Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 12:35:12 PM

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From: [Lelisa Dewi Jahja](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 3:54:14 AM

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Lelisa Dewi
Reefmaster
Indonesia

From: [Otolith Enrichment](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:31:53 PM

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From: kevine@aquallations.com
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
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Kenya marine center

From: [John Fernley](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 1:12:23 PM

John Fernley
98-1286 Kulawai St.
Aiea, HI 96701

June 21, 2021

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From: [The Fish Guy](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 8:25:15 AM

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The Fish Guy L.L.C.
Isaac Ramirez
956-867-6593.

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Awareness Month!!

From: [Butch Foucault](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 1:32:33 PM

Butch Foucault
1167 North Colony Rd
Wallingford, CT 06492

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From: [Friedlander, Gavin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support
Date: Thursday, June 24, 2021 5:23:14 AM

6-24-2021

I contact you to support the Revised Final Environmental Impact Statement for the West Hawaii Aquarium Fishery, Published June 8 2021, in the environmental notice. As a tropical marine exporter, we are at the mercy of national laws that will decide the fate of an industry that has provided employment indirectly for thousands of individuals. I applaud all efforts over the years to achieve sustainable collection requirements including catch limits or quotas, restricted dive locations, diving depth limitations, size limits etc... as acceptable and negotiable practices to continue to maintain this industry in Hawaii. However, what I find unacceptable in this country, as well as during these difficult economic times, are policies and influences that are determined to completely shut down an industry completely. The government's role in business and industry is supportive. Government works together with business owners to discover and resolve any negative impacts and find solutions that are sustainable. Certainly, there have been many improvements made to collection practices as a result of this. With the environment as our number one priority, compromise can be easily achieved. So much progress has been made over the years

that continue to provide jobs and opportunities to the families close to this resource. Please re-consider any efforts to shut down the collection of marine tropical species in Hawaii and instead negotiate fair and sustainable options to allow this industry to continue to operate.

Thank you for your consideration

Gavin Friedlander

Great Depths Marine

greatdepthsmarine@gmail.com

From: [Glenn Fukuda](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 6:23:05 AM

Glenn Fukuda
662 hoohulu pl
Pearl city, HI 96782

June 22, 2021

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Glenn fukuda

From: [Furumaki Daichi, KAMIHATA](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 6:24:17 PM

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Daichi Furumaki

From: [Robert Greenwood](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 5:41:28 AM

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From: [Guillaume Mainville](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] continu protecting ornamental fishes
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 4:41:36 AM

I've stumble upon this article asking the people to write to ask to stop the ornamental fishes exportation ban and decided to write to encourage you to keep doing it. As a long time an aquarist, I feel people doing this hobby are completely out of line putting their insignifiant hobby before the protection of species and should respect nature and governments who do something for conservation.

have a good day, continu your good job

Cheers

Guillaume, montreal Canada

From: [raphael Pisciculture Haegel](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Richard van Heeswijk

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Heather M. Heredia

Name

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Email



June 21, 2021

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President – Hikari Sales USA, Inc. (chris@hikariusa.com)

From: [Hudson, Kelly](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 8:36:07 AM

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Kelly Hudson

From: [Susan Hughes](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Thursday, June 24, 2021 5:46:15 AM

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Susan Hughes

From: [Mike Isaac](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 5:32:48 AM

Mike Isaac
1733 Park St
Naperville, IL 60563

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From: [Elmer Alejandro Jiménez Mejía](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Cc: ronngaribaldy@gmail.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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From: [Terri Johnston](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 7:53:09 AM

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jonesn4fish@netzero.com

June 23, 2021

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Arie de Jong

Info@dejongmarinelife.nl

From: [Rene Jorgensen](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 4:00:30 AM

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{Name here}

Best. Regards.

Rene' dalgaard Jorgensen
CEO

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Irving Kabei](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] ITEM F3 SUPPORT/ WEST HAWAII AQUARIUM EIS
Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 8:31:33 PM

June **21, 2021**

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Irving Kabei

Irvingckabei@gmail.com

From: dlkata@aol.com
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 2:31:45 PM

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Daren Katayama

dlkata@aol.com

From: [Harada Keita](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:09:07 PM

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With best regards,

Keita Harada

From: [Kevin Kohen](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support
Date: Thursday, June 24, 2021 4:53:40 AM

Date: June 24th, 2021

To: Chair Case and The Board of Land and Natural Resources

From: Kevin J. Kohen

RE: Support the West Hawaii Aquarium Revised EIS

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Sincerely,

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kkohen@charter.net

From: [Colin Kop](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 1:22:26 PM

Colin Kop
2525 Malama Pl
Honolulu, HI 96822

June 21, 2021

Dear Hawaii Board of Land and Natural Resources,

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From: [Stacey Lin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 5:38:34 AM

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Creative Way Global Co., Ltd.

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Name

Email

From: [Michelle Lowry](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 11:20:03 AM

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From: [Luken, Alan](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 7:39:55 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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BRITNEY MANAGO

BRITMANAGO@GMAIL.COM

From: [Melfin Martinez](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] *Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS*
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 8:43:19 AM

June **22**, 2021

Chair Case and The Board of Land and Natural Resources

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Melfin Martínez

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From: [Jennifer Marshall](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 10:53:48 AM

Jennifer Marshall
2134 Lincoln Street
RHINELANDER, WI 54501-3630

June 22, 2021

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From: [pedro manuel bare marte](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Cc: Ronngaribaldy@gmail.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:19:16 AM

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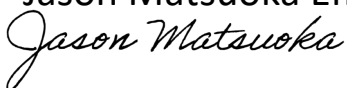
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Jason Matsuoka Email: jn_mats@yahoo.com



From: [Roger Modzelewski](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:08:53 AM

Chair Case and The Board of Land and Natural Resources

6/24/2021

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Roger Modzelewski Redbruinz@yahoo.com

From: [Montes, Melissa](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 6:56:51 AM

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Segrest Farms®

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Email: sandy.moore@segrestfarms.com



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President AEDPAC (Spanish Petcare Trade Association)

From: rkonaga@hawaiiintel.net
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:35:26 PM

June 21, 2021

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Kawika Onaga

rkonaga@hawaiiantel.net

From: [Chad Owens](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:15:24 AM

Chad Owens
6900 Martway
Mission, KS 66202

June 23, 2021

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From: [Rainieris Peña](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] *Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS*
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 7:05:43 PM

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Name: *Teófilo raynieri peña* Email

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From: [pierce_h](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:35:03 AM

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From: [Jonathan Poh](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 3:45:44 AM

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Jonathan Poh
Secretary General,
Ornamental Fish International (OFI)

From: [Chris Richards](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 8:23:13 AM

Chris Richards
4040 Trinity Rd
Franklin, TN 37067

June 22, 2021

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From: [Daniel Rosen](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 8:00:19 AM

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From: [Dean Schmude](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:13:27 AM

June **22**, 2021

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Dean Schmude

Deanschmude@gmail.com

From: [Chris Scruggs](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Monday, June 21, 2021 12:42:23 PM

Chris Scruggs
27 w madison
Chatsworth, GA 30705

June 21, 2021

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From: [Mick Seaby](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 5:52:57 AM

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From: [David Segal](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 7:33:16 AM

David Segal
195 Prairie Lake Rd
East Dundee, IL 60118

June 22, 2021

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CATJAYMNM@YAHOO.COM

24th June 2021

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ahs0550@gmail.com

From: [Stensrud, Shelby](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 7:00:58 AM

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From: [Eugene Stoner](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Thursday, June 24, 2021 4:30:20 AM

June 24, 2021

Chair Case and The Board of Land and Natural Resources

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Alex Anderson

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From: [Theresia Sutedja](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 2:49:50 PM

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Aquazone Indonesia

From: [Chris Taggart](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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From: [Takeuchi Naoki, KAMIHATA](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
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Very truly yours,
Naoki Takeuchi

From: [Mary Beth Thompson](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 1:55:14 AM

Chair Case and The Board of Land and Natural Resources

RE: Support the West Hawaii Aquarium Revised EIS

Chair Case and Boardmembers:

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Mary E Thompson

mbthomp@verizon.net

From: [富田弘樹キョーリン](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 7:30:03 PM

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Hiroki TOMITA

From: [Bill Trufant](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 4:56:17 AM
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From: [Alex Tropicals](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 5:32:34 AM

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From: [Arthur Westwood](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Thursday, June 24, 2021 4:14:32 AM

Arthur Westwood
2606 Whittier Place
Billings, MT 59102

June 24, 2021

Dear Hawaii Board of Land and Natural Resources,

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The Proposed Action is an overall reduction in take over the Pre-Aquarium Collection Ban alternative. Although I felt the fishery was sustainable in the past, a common critique is that there are no limits. Reducing catches by approving only the seven proposed permits is a practical approach to address this concern. This will ensure the vitality and sustainability of the West Hawaii Fishery while addressing the critics.

Enforcement has always been another talking point of those opposed to any fishery. By issuing seven permits, the fishermen can easily self-police as they know who is permitted to legally fish. The limitation on the number of permits also assists DOCARE/enforcement as they will easily know who is legally allowed to fish by the limited number of boats which are registered.

Sincerely, Arthur Westwood
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From: [Shane Willis](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item F3 Support/ / West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:47:43 AM

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Shane Willis - President of Ornamental Fish International

From: [Bill Wymard](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support the West Hawaii Aquarium EIS
Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 3:22:39 AM

Bill Wymard
3649 Fishinger Blvd.
Hilliard, OH 43026

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