

From: [ANALEI AFUVAI](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 9:26:48 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali artificial beach project! Enough already!

Ana Lei Afuvai

From: [Stacey Alapai](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1 Artificial Beach Project
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:15:47 PM

Aloha,

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

As a Maui Resident and Native Hawaiian who cares about our environment and community, I'm requesting that the state not spend \$5 million on beach nourishment project.

There are many examples of how this project and similar efforts are not successful long term and I do not approve of using our tax dollars in this way.

Mahalo,
Stacey Alapai
Makawao, Maui

From: [Maile Atay](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 9:47:08 PM

Aloha,

I strongly oppose the funding of the beach replenishment project that Ka'anapali resorts are trying to get the state to fund.

Where's the cultural oversight?

Once again wealthy corporations are asking the state of Hawai'i to fund their for-profit entity businesses. This is a total disregard for our beautiful natural resources. And a slap in the face to Maui residents.

Tell them to move their hotels off the coastline that feeds them.

Mahalo for listening,

Maile Atay
Maui resident

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Nainoa Awo](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item k1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 7:56:44 AM

Aloha

I oppose the state funding the desecration of Kā'anapali for tourism. My name is Na'i Awo from Waiehu, Maui. Let the sand ebb and flow naturally. I currently live on Oahu and have witnessed the impacts at Waikiki. Beach nourishment affects ocean quality, the sand is silty, and migration of sand has impacted surf spots like Baby Queens. Do not bring this waste of money project to Maui.

Mahalo

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Noelle Bali](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 2:26:52 PM

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Artificial beach project.

Noelle Bali

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From: [Kamahie Baricuatro](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] ITEM: K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:41:10 AM

Aloha mai,

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

Mahalo,
Kamāhie Baricuatro

From: [Kallie Barnes](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:41:22 PM

Aloha,

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Artificial Beach Project and think instead the state should start a fund with the \$5 million to start a planned retreat program for all ocean front properties.

Mahalo,

Kallie

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From: [Sara Bill](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:59:55 PM

Aloha,

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration Project

Thank you for your consideration and understanding the importance of this issue to our community.

Mahalo,
Sara Bill & Kaliko Leialoha-Dutro
Lahaina Residents

From: [Rena Blumberg](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 8:45:15 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

I am a longtime Maui resident, since 1972.

Rena Blumberg
Kihei HI 96753

From: [RILEY BOND](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 9:11:02 AM

I would like to express my opposition for item K-1. I ask that BLNR **deny** support for item K-1 to provide \$5M in support of the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration and Berm Enhancement Project located on Maui.

Riley Bond.

From: [Bruce Bond](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:26:11 PM

I humbly submit this testimony in opposition to state funding of importing of sand onto Kaanapali beaches otherwise known as Kaanapali artificial beach project.

Mahalo

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Bruce Bond

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From: [Madeleine Brath](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ka'anapali Artificial Beach Project
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:13:14 PM

As a Native Hawaiian Woman from Lahaina, Maui,
I OPPOSE the state funding for the Ka'anapali Artificial Beach Project. It is invasive, and intrusive to the natural landscape of Ka'anapali.

I'm requesting the state to not hurt our precious beach and precious community. Take the money and fund Native Hawaiian schools and organizations. Help the community, not the tourists.

Madeleine Brath

From: [Mikey Burke](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 7:49:03 AM

To whom it may concern:

I oppose any State funding of the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration Project. This project is only a temporary solution that is extremely expensive and ecologically disruptive, with little to no benefit to residents. I further support the testimonies, both written and oral, in opposition to this beach restoration project for all the scientific, environmental, financial, and cultural reasons they'd stated as well.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Mikey Burke
Lahaina, Maui

Sent with aloha

From: [Zak Burkett](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:45:05 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

From: [Katie Austin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] March 10th K-1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 6:44:08 AM

Aloha

My name is Katie Austin and I would like to provide video testimony on item K-1 for the March 10th blnr meeting for the sand revitalization project.

Mahalo

Katie Austin

From: [Rachel Chojnacki](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1, I Oppose Ka'anapali beach restoration
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 3:56:07 PM

Aloha,

I am writing to express my opposition to item K1: state funding the proposed Kā'anapali beach restoration project.

The resorts located along Kā'anapali beach with billion dollar profit margins (that are all located far too close to the ocean in the wake of global climate change and rising ocean levels) do not need our tax dollar assistance paying for a beach "restoration." This restoration in question is also one of the most expensive and environmentally disruptive options available and serves only as a short-term bandaid solution so these corporations can finish another quarter with fat profit margins. This sort of "restoration" will be rendered obsolete as we see growing effects of coastal erosion (made worse by fixed structures in coastal zones that prevent the natural ebb and flow of sand) in the coming years.

Please reference <https://climate.hawaii.gov/hi-facts/sea-level-rise/> for published information by the state of Hawaii if you have any questions or doubts about the realities of sea levels rising (currently projected rise in Hawai'i of +6-8 inches, or up to a foot by 2050, and up to +3 feet in the next 100 years).

Official statement from U.S. officials from a climate resiliency standpoint on the use of beach nourishment, or in layman's terms, adding sand to a beach:

(<https://toolkit.climate.gov/topics/coastal-flood-risk/coastal-erosion>)

"beach nourishment has also become a controversial shore protection measure, in part because it has the potential to adversely impact a variety of natural resources. Consequently, these projects must comply with a wide range of complex laws and regulations. Beach nourishment is also expensive: check the [Beach Nourishment Viewer](#) (

<https://coast.noaa.gov/digitalcoast/tools/psds-viewer.html>

) to explore details about sand placement efforts for more than 2,000 beach nourishment projects since 1923. Adding sand to a beach does not guarantee that it will stay there. Some communities bring in huge volumes of sand repeatedly, only to see it wash out to sea in the next season's storms."

It is primitive and simple-minded thinking to load up a few dump trucks of sand from the next beach over to evade a growing worldwide climate crisis.

If you were actually worried about coastal erosion and it's long term effects on the environment and people that live near the coast, you would be looking to implement future-oriented solutions such as removing developments from coastal land to provide for buffer zones in events of catastrophic coastal flooding and beach loss (A valid and cost-effective strategy from U.S. climate resiliency toolkit: "In some cases, the only way to prevent structures from causing harm may be to remove them entirely. After the structure has

been removed, communities usually dedicate the land to public open space or transfer it to land trusts for protection... Coastal restoration projects can be highly cost-effective for communities. Benefits of returning land to its undeveloped state include buffering storm surges, safeguarding coastal homes and businesses, sequestering carbon and other pollutants, creating nursery habitat for commercially and recreationally important fish species, and restoring open space and wildlife that support recreation, tourism, and the culture of coastal communities.”).

What state resources are available should be directed at planning a calculated retreat for all of these multi-story buildings at risk of crumbling into the ocean as coastal erosion becomes a full reality here on Maui (and throughout the Hawaiian islands).

It is concerning to see private business owners’ money influence the state in a decision making process that will ultimately: a) affect our coastal ecosystem health and the health and safety of Maui residents that frequent these coastal areas, and b) erase delicate coral reef organisms found nowhere else on the planet.

I know I am not alone when I say I oppose state funding for the proposed restoration of Kā’anapali beach. This proposed sand displacement is the worst option for restoration, especially when that “restoration” comes at the expense of the precious and vulnerable ecosystem of the Wahi Pana Pu’u Keka’a (black rock beach). Enough catering to resorts and their profit margins, time to start focusing on protecting our natural resources with critical thinking and respect.

Mahalo for respecting the PEOPLE’S decision,

Rachel Chojnacki Juri

From: [Beth Clapper](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda item K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:45:12 AM

Please do not give any support/funding to the Kaanapali beach nourishment program. I completely oppose this waste of money for a temporary fix!

Thank you,
Beth Clapper
Lahaina resident

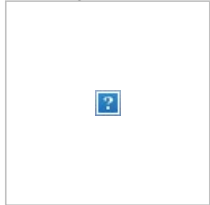
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From: [Candace Coleman](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 9:31:01 PM

Aloha,

I strongly oppose the state funding of the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

Thank you,



Candace Coleman, RS-84821

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From: [ariimoana.cotter](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:46:15 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.
I'm requesting that the state not spend \$5million on beach nourishment project.

From: [Katherine Daly](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 6:23:32 PM

Re: item K1

As a resident of Maui, I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

The hotels and private parties making profits off of these particular lands CAN and SHOULD pay for the restoration of the Kaanapali shores in an ecosensitive way that has the approval of kānaka maoli and the Maui community.

Please do not take money out of the pockets of working kama'aina to line the pockets of investors and the ultra wealthy. This is not a fair or sustainable solution.

Thank you,
Katherine Morris

From: [Alana D'Andrea](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony item K-1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:25:00 PM

Aloha,

I am writing this testimony to say please do NOT move any sand! This restoration project can be handled differently by not directly affecting what is natural and in place. Moving all that sand will cause tremendous consequences. Please do not allow this to happen.

Mahalo for your time,
Alana Dandrea
Born and raised in haiku Maui.
28 Laupapa place
8082699347

From: [Keeley DeBar](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 3:57:31 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach restoration project.

Sincerely,

Keeley Debar

From: [Summer Dien](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 9:48:55 PM

I oppose the state funding of the Kaanapali artificial beach project. This is a waste of money and harmful to the marine life.

Best,
Summer

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From: [Aly Dove](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:05:15 PM

Aloha!

As a resident of Hawaii, I oppose the state funding the Kaaanapali Beach restoration project.

Aly Dove

From: [Caitlin Duquette](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 1:51:37 PM

To Whom it May Concern,

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

Sincerely,
Caitlin Duquette

From: [Justice Faith](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I DO NOT SUPPORT!
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 2:55:42 AM

I do not support item K1- state funding the Ka'anapali real estate protection/beach nourishment project because we have seen a detrimental decline in coral reef due to lack of responsibility on the billion dollar corps. Lining our beach.

The state has failed to regulate the resorts who regularly dump dirt and plant beach killing vegetation on the shoreline that ends up smothering our reef.

!This will destroy marine ecosystems. This will poison our waters and kill our neighboring reefs !?
Our beautiful Kaanapali will be on still and stagnant, lifeless water just like we see in Waikiki. We need to take what we have learned from our neighboring island and not make the same mistakes over and over for the sake of greed, lust, and vanity.
Our ocean deserves a chance. Our children deserve a chance.
Mahalo.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Shay Farrier](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K-1: I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Sand Revitalization Project.
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 10:27:57 PM

Item K-1

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Sand Revitalization Project. This project does not serve the long-term needs of our community.

Sincerely,

Shay Farrier

From: [Tessa Fernandes](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:04:04 PM

Item:K1

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

I'm requesting that the state not spend \$5 million on beach nourishment project.

From: [cora fernandez](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 1:42:53 PM

Aloha,

I am reaching out about item k1. I greatly oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project. It would be detrimental to our oceans; directly hurting invertebrates, sea grasses, fish, seabirds, turtles, monk seals and more and indirectly harming the water chemistry, which would have a negative impact on corals and fish spawnings. Instead, I request the state look further into using the sand Mauka of the shoreline, which is of the same supply of Black Rock and has the same granular size and composition.

From: [Евгения](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 2:26:30 PM

I'm completely opposing the state funding the Kaanapali beach Restoration project.
It will destroy ecosystem!

Evgeniia
Filatova

From: [Kendell Flavin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 8:27:16 AM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali beach restoration project.
This is completely unacceptable and the residents of Maui have had enough!

Kendell flavin

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From: [Bee Fleet](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 9:26:40 PM

I strongly oppose the state funding of the Ka'anapali Artificial Beach Project. Why is the state being proposed to pay for this project? Year after year the state & the taxpayers are picking up the tab & the hotels don't contribute their fair share of these kinds of projects when they make all the profits & send the profits out of state?

Residents can't even park in Ka'anapali to use the beach except for very few spots. This proposal is to move sand from one place to another? Respectfully, this idea is a ludicrous travesty.

Mahalo,

Kokua our Coastlines.

From: [kapulei flores](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Oppose K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:17:18 PM

Aloha,

I oppose the State funding the Kā'anapali Beach Restoration Project and urge you to not support this project. The process of this project can have direct negative impacts to the ecosystem such as the invertebrates, sea grasses, fish, etc. With impact to one part of the ecosystem it will also impact the existing beach ecosystem such as invertebrates, sea birds, turtles, and monk seals, many of which are native to hawai'i and are endangered species. The impacts will continue to the water where it can impact coral and fish spawning which would further impact fishing and other marine activities. Please prioritize our vital and fragile ecosystems and do not support this project.

Mahalo nui

From: [Mimi Forsyth](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 8:59:02 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

From: [noah foti](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] item:K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 12:06:51 AM

Item:K1

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

I'm requesting that the state not spend \$5 million on the beach nourishment project.

From: [Jazmyne Geis](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] No to Kā'anapali Beach Nourishment Project
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 9:43:39 PM

Aloha,

As a concerned citizen , I am requesting that the state not waste tax money on this beach nourishment project taking place in West Maui at Kā'anapali beach. I am greatly concerned of the impacts dredging will have to this sacred land and ocean space and all for a non-guaranteed improvement to the beach area.

Please don't fund this! We need to look at the bigger problems that are collectively adding to this situation rather than band aid it in order to the continued perpetuation of damage.

Mahalo,

Jazmyne

From: [Arianna K. Gerry](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K-1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 10:53:18 PM

Aloha,

I am writing in opposition of State funding the Kā'anapali Beach Restoration Project. I have family ties to the west side and grew up paddling and diving at Hanaka'ō'ō Beach. As a child, my grandfather would take my uncle and I paddling and diving off Canoe Beach. I learned the names of many fish, how to free dive and how to paddle 1 man canoe there.

Hanaka'ō'ō Beach has always been my safe place, on the beach and in the water, until about 11 years ago. The swim buoys had not been maintained for whatever reason. The very important guides for the increased incoming and outgoing boat traffic around the hotels had become lost, leaving boaters to speed through swim areas, the area my grandfather was volunteering his time to set up flags for a high school regatta; the area our family's patriarch was killed by a speeding boat.

There have been more than enough times in the past decade when the buoys were gone again. Money should be spent making sure these buoys are maintained; making sure in the future I can safely teach my son how to free dive and paddle and my 'ohana can safely continue my papa's legacy of setting flags.

I have spent countless days at Hanaka'ō'ō and in the rare occasion the restrooms are open, they aren't clean, are missing doors, or leaking water everywhere. I believe do to recent flooding, some of the picnic tables are also not usable. Money should be spent maintaining or even updating the public facilities.

I used to work at Hale Huaka'i at Kā'anapali Beach Hotel and witnessed failed attempts to prevent erosion in front of the hotels. Every year the beach would be pulled out and every year, it would return. It is nature. Money should not be being used to fight nature.

These are my personal reasons but also cannot leave out the effects on marine life this project would have. It would bury reef, displace fish and honu and other creatures. It is just wrong.

Please do not support funding this project.

Mahalo,

Arianna Gerry
808-359-8641

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Kali Gibbons](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:09:09 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project. This project is detrimental to our coral reefs and marine life, and does nothing to benefit the local people of Maui.

Best,
Kali Gibbons

From: [Genesis Gil](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:54:54 PM

Aloha,

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Artificial Beach Project.

Maui is a special and unique Hawaiian island, I do not want it to become Oahu. I was born and raised here and have seen enough development on the island. Enough is enough. Let Mother Nature restore at her own will without human intervention. The science and facts are there that this would be detrimental to our environment.

Mahalo,

Genesis Gil

From: [Adeline Griffin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 12:15:56 PM

I oppose the state funding for the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

From: [Princess Misay](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
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I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration Project.

Princess Misay Guerrero

From: [Abbie G](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:21:49 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

Abbie Gulson

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She/Her/Hers
[What does this mean?](#)

From: [-Nancy Halley](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1 testimony Kaanapali Artificial Beach project
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 5:15:07 PM

I oppose the State funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach project because the project is a short term fix that will:

1. Degrade mesophotic reef systems offshore of Kaanapali where juvenile marine life live.
2. Cloud ocean water areas (like what has happened to Waikiki Beach).
3. Cost taxpayers money now and moving into the future as the Artificial Beach project is a temporary fix.

I'm requesting that the State not spend money on this specific beach nourishment project.

I ask the State to use foresight and support a plan of managed retreat. It has to happen. If not now, when?

Below is a Spectrum News 2021 article about the Kaanapali Artificial Beach project that discusses both the pros and cons. The cons out weigh the pros.

Cited concerns about damage to our economy, from those who support the project, are illogical, as there will be a greater impact to the economy in the future if we do not start managed retreat now.

I do not support the Kaanapali Artificial Beach project. I have serious concerns about tax dollars being used to fund this short term and short sighted solution to eroding beaches and sea level rise.

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/hi/hawaii/environment/2021/12/29/controversial-beach-restoration-in-west-maui>.

Respectfully and with Aloha,

Nancy Halley
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March 8, 2023

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (EISPN) Comment

Kā'anapali Beach Restoration and Berm Enhancement project.

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Questions and concerns

Sand in Kaanapali is comprised of the skeletons of once living organisms. What will the project do to protect the ocean and all its inhabitants? What will they do to protect the very entity responsible for creating sand. My mentors shared with me to not just take, take, take. They always asked what and how I will give back. You take the sand but what and how will you give back to the ocean so it can continue to make more sand?

Red dirt has always been eroding into the ocean. The island is sinking and the sea level is rising. I am a fisherman and fish ancient reefs made of red dirt, gulches and sea cliffs, some as deep as 125 to 150 fathoms. They all were above sea level at one time. Humans need to get over themselves and let Mother Nature do her thing.

Will the shoreline be certified before starting?

Will the project delineate private and public properties? As in any construction project, boundaries are established to not encroach on adjacent properties. There needs to be a surveyed marked delineation between the public beach and private properties.

Will the public sand be placed on public or private property? Prove it. Document it. I believe that when the shoreline boundary is certified it becomes permanent and can only move inland. Placing and increasing the size of the beach should not increase the size of the private property.

With sea level rising and the shoreline moving inland wouldn't it make more sense to move what is inland of the beach further inland? A sand beach needs the space and area inland to deposit sand. Restrict that space with structures and sand will find somewhere else to go. It doesn't matter how much sand you place on the beach. What matters is how much space is given for the sand on the beach to move inland. Armoring with anything, including sand, is a waste of money.

Why is the state contributing towards the cost of the project? Isn't the government anticipating a budget shortfall in the coming years?

What is the value of the sand? In my humble opinion the nourishment sand is priceless. How much is the project paying for the sand? Nothing? Why does the taxpayer have to

fund millions of dollars when the project is not paying the public/taxpayer for the sand? The project should be paying the taxpayers for the sand. Using the excuse as generating more money from tourists is just that, an excuse. Why is money so important? How much money do you need? At what point in time will more, more, more be unsustainable?

How will the volume of sand be determined? 75,000 cubic yards spread out over the area of the project doesn't seem like it is enough. What if there is not enough sand? The much-touted Stable Road Beach Replenishment (SRBR) project in Spreckelsville, Maui underestimated the amount of sand dredged from its nourishment area. It also created rock jetties to keep and trap the sand fronting the project properties. As a result, the down current properties have and are suffering the negative consequences of this project. The residents also removed a public beach access to not allow nonresidents access. Since it happened on the current mayor's shift, I asked his directors but no answer. This project did NOT pay anything for the public sand that was placed on private properties.

How will the residents of Maui benefit from the project? Will more and better public beach access with ample public parking be available for the general public? This needs to be made specific, in writing and enforced. It should not be allowed to become another Stable Road.

Areas of planting of native and endemic plants should be permanently off limits to allow plants to grow. People trampling over area kill plants.

Mother Nature uses the sand to filter runoff before it enters ocean. Sand plugs fronting water runoff areas should never be removed or unplugged to allow runoff into the ocean. Hahakea Gulch

Cultural resource people should be compensated independently and NOT paid by developer. Same goes for the entities who create the Environment Impact Statement.

Project expected to last 20 years? The ocean is dynamic. What happens if the project does not last 20 years? Do taxpayers have to pay again?

Underwater sand ecosystem will be disturbed.

How will the impact of removal of the sand be monitored at the nourishment sites?

What happens when the clamshell brings up live coral and organisms?

What happens when Kona crab and other organisms that are not legal are brought up?

Will the operator call DLNR to inform them of an illegal take? Fines?

Who will monitor? Independent monitor should be on site at all times.

"Anoxic" scent is living organisms that have died and is decomposing.

There should be monitoring of marine environment of nourishment site and adjacent areas to document impact. No onsite monitor, no work. DEIS is more concerned about project area above the shoreline. What about the marine environment in adjacent areas outside scope of work?

Where is the documentation of reef and coral outside and down current of the project? What and who will suffer the consequences of the sand if and when it covers existing marine life? DEIS does not include this. Why not?

The sand will eventually work its way back into the ocean. Since it will take 20 years, a monitoring and reporting system should be in place for 20 years to document the changes. Eg. Sand covering live coral and loss of reef habitat.

It appears the goal is to bring the beach back to 1988. Since the beach is an integral part of the environment, shouldn't everything impacting the beach also be brought back to 1988? This should include all development mauka.

Mahalo,

Paul Hanada

Maui Resident since 1951, fisherman, University of Hawaii science degree in Biology, CEO small family run business in operation since 1967, retired Kula farmer, State of Hawaii licensed automotive technician and youth soccer coach. With my wife of forty-nine years protecting the ocean for our four children and eight grandchildren all living on Maui.

From: [Lauren Harper](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ítem k1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 3:56:49 AM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach restoration project.

From: [Spencer Headley](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 3:17:44 PM

Hello,

I'm writing to have my voice heard that I oppose state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

Thank you,
Spencer Headley

From: [Celeste Hilliard](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:59:33 AM

I oppose state funding towards the Kaanapali beach restoration project.

Mahalo,
Celeste Hilliard

From: [trinity.hobdey](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:26:20 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Articial Beach Project.
Mahalo.

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

From: [Micaela Hogger](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Concern over K1 artificial beach project
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:03:15 PM

Aloha BLNR,

I oppose the state funding of Kaanapali artificial beach project. We should be taking actions to find long-term solutions for this, rather than band-aid fixes. Such as reef restorations around this area to help prevent erosion, and native plantings of species that help maintain shoreline integrity. This project will be not only expensive, but devastating to marine sea life that depend on the benthic zone to survive. It has been shown off of Waikiki that transported sand without further actions will not last or be a sustainable option.

Best regards,
Micaela Hogger
A concerned Maui resident

From: [Carol Holland](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 2:47:06 PM

Aloha

I am emailing in strong opposition to the Kaanapali artificial beach project. As a marine scientist I can say with 100% confidence that the results of this will be detrimental to our already impacted (over tourism, run off, sea level rise, increased ocean temperatures, eutrophication just to name a few impacts) and now you want to add removal and relocation of benthic substrate or as you like to call sand - it's not just sand it's an ecosystem that is essential to the health functioning of the rest of our reef ecosystems and you propose simply digging it up and putting it on the beach. This is not a sand box in the play yard it is a delicate highly impacted already under threat ecosystem and if you do this you will force this ecosystem over the edge and destroy it. A better plan would be on land mitigation and retreat. Fine and wetland restoration. Like it or not sea level rise is coming and this plan is not going to fix it. It's going to make it worse. Please do not gamble with the ecosystem because it seems you forget you are part of it.

Carol Holland

From: [Megan Finley Horowitz](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item k1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:40:59 AM

I do not support the Kā'anapali beach nourishment project. This will have long term impacts to off shore eco systems. And it's been proven to be an expensive failure.

Mahalo

-Megan Finley Horowitz

Kihei

From: [Jonah Hu](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 1:55:42 AM

I strongly oppose the state of Hawai`i funding the Ka'anapali Beach restoration (agenda item K1).

-Jonah Hu

From: [Sheleigh Hughes](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item : K 1 Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 11:27:17 AM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

Mahalo,
Sheleigh Hughes

Sent from my iPhone

From: [ric jac](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I APPROVE item K1 - State funding the Ka'anapali real estate protection/beach nourishment project.
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 9:17:43 AM

I APPROVE item K1 - State funding the Ka'anapali real estate protection/beach nourishment project.

Please do the right intelligent approval

From: [Emili J - Maui](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K-1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:46:18 PM

Aloha,

My boyfriend is a local fisherman who often fishes for nabeta and Kona crab in the area proposed for sand extraction. The proposed project is a waste of money on a short term fix. The sand always comes back!

See attached photos below:



Mahalo for your attention to this matter,

Emili Janchevis

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Emili Jansevskis
808.757.2543

From: [Debi Javar](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Kaanapali Artificial Beach
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 10:52:53 PM

I OPPOSE the State funding this artificial beach project.

I'm requesting that the State NOT spend \$5 million on beach nourishment program.

Mahalo.

From: [Amber Johannson](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1 Kaanapali beach restoration project
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:33:35 PM

Aloha,

My name is Amber Johannson and I am a resident of Maui. I am writing to strongly oppose the state funding the proposed K1 Kaanapali restoration project. I do not think dredging sand from the ocean and moving it to the shoreline is a good solution. I believe it would be very harmful to our environment and ecosystem. I understand the hotel companies are concerned about structural stability with sea level rise and probably more so about their guests experience but I don't think that is the responsibility of Hawaii taxpayers. The fact is that those resorts were built too close to the ocean and didn't account for the natural changes to the shoreline that happen over seasons and years. We cannot steal sand from the ocean indefinitely to protect them. It is not a sustainable option and honestly picturing bulldozers pushing the sand around Kaanapali just breaks my heart. We need to consider wildlife, plant life, the reef, etc. when deciding how to deal with sea level rise and planning what is best for the future. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Amber Johannson

From: [Rachel Chojnacki](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1, I Oppose Ka'anapali beach restoration
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 3:56:07 PM

Aloha,

I am writing to express my opposition to item K1: state funding the proposed Kā'anapali beach restoration project.

The resorts located along Kā'anapali beach with billion dollar profit margins (that are all located far too close to the ocean in the wake of global climate change and rising ocean levels) do not need our tax dollar assistance paying for a beach "restoration." This restoration in question is also one of the most expensive and environmentally disruptive options available and serves only as a short-term bandaid solution so these corporations can finish another quarter with fat profit margins. This sort of "restoration" will be rendered obsolete as we see growing effects of coastal erosion (made worse by fixed structures in coastal zones that prevent the natural ebb and flow of sand) in the coming years.

Please reference <https://climate.hawaii.gov/hi-facts/sea-level-rise/> for published information by the state of Hawaii if you have any questions or doubts about the realities of sea levels rising (currently projected rise in Hawai'i of +6-8 inches, or up to a foot by 2050, and up to +3 feet in the next 100 years).

Official statement from U.S. officials from a climate resiliency standpoint on the use of beach nourishment, or in layman's terms, adding sand to a beach:

(<https://toolkit.climate.gov/topics/coastal-flood-risk/coastal-erosion>)

"beach nourishment has also become a controversial shore protection measure, in part because it has the potential to adversely impact a variety of natural resources. Consequently, these projects must comply with a wide range of complex laws and regulations. Beach nourishment is also expensive: check the [Beach Nourishment Viewer](#) (

<https://coast.noaa.gov/digitalcoast/tools/psds-viewer.html>

) to explore details about sand placement efforts for more than 2,000 beach nourishment projects since 1923. Adding sand to a beach does not guarantee that it will stay there. Some communities bring in huge volumes of sand repeatedly, only to see it wash out to sea in the next season's storms."

It is primitive and simple-minded thinking to load up a few dump trucks of sand from the next beach over to evade a growing worldwide climate crisis.

If you were actually worried about coastal erosion and it's long term effects on the environment and people that live near the coast, you would be looking to implement future-oriented solutions such as removing developments from coastal land to provide for buffer zones in events of catastrophic coastal flooding and beach loss (A valid and cost-effective strategy from U.S. climate resiliency toolkit: "In some cases, the only way to prevent structures from causing harm may be to remove them entirely. After the structure has

been removed, communities usually dedicate the land to public open space or transfer it to land trusts for protection... Coastal restoration projects can be highly cost-effective for communities. Benefits of returning land to its undeveloped state include buffering storm surges, safeguarding coastal homes and businesses, sequestering carbon and other pollutants, creating nursery habitat for commercially and recreationally important fish species, and restoring open space and wildlife that support recreation, tourism, and the culture of coastal communities.”).

What state resources are available should be directed at planning a calculated retreat for all of these multi-story buildings at risk of crumbling into the ocean as coastal erosion becomes a full reality here on Maui (and throughout the Hawaiian islands).

It is concerning to see private business owners’ money influence the state in a decision making process that will ultimately: a) affect our coastal ecosystem health and the health and safety of Maui residents that frequent these coastal areas, and b) erase delicate coral reef organisms found nowhere else on the planet.

I know I am not alone when I say I oppose state funding for the proposed restoration of Kā’anapali beach. This proposed sand displacement is the worst option for restoration, especially when that “restoration” comes at the expense of the precious and vulnerable ecosystem of the Wahi Pana Pu’u Keka’a (black rock beach). Enough catering to resorts and their profit margins, time to start focusing on protecting our natural resources with critical thinking and respect.

Mahalo for respecting the PEOPLE’S decision,

Rachel Chojnacki Juri

From: [Jay Kaawa](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 9:04:07 AM

Aloha.

I oppose the state funding beach nourishment at Kā'anapali. I fear the mining will impact offshore eco systems and hinder my ability to hoe wa'a in the area proposed. This project may potentially impact ocean quality like it has at Waikiki beach. In 2011 canoe paddlers loss Billy Gonzales a beloved coach at Napili Canoe Club because DOBOR failed to maintain the swim buoys. Still over a decade later there are times when the swim buoys are missing. There are more important issues that need to be addressed. Please do NOT support funding this project.

Mahalo,

Jay-R Kaawa
[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Maile 'Awapuhi](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 12:08:27 PM

To whom this may concern,

I STRONGLY OPPOSE the state funding the
Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

This projected project has and will have lots of environmental issues and problems not only for the marine and native life in around the area, but for the land itself. With all that is going on, the ground will erode after 5-10 years and knowing we will be having some surf storms coming through, it will be a waste of time and resources doing this project.

There's NO POINT IN THIS. TRY AND FINISH AN ACTUALLY PROJECT FIRST!

Visha Maile 'Awapuhi Kalahiki

STRONGLY OPPOSE THE KA'ANAPALI BEACH RESTORATION PROJECT.

And Thank You!

From: [Mahealani Kamau](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] DO NOT FUND KĀ'ANAPALI BEACH NOURISHMENT PROJECT
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:31:27 PM

To whom it may concern,

I am requesting that the State of Hawai'i not fund the Kā'anapali Beach Nourishment Project.

It is a short term fix that will have irreparable harm to off shore ecosystems, ocean quality, coral reefs, and cultural practices. There are other alternatives that are less damaging. The state has an obligation to protect our public trust. Please consider this.

Mahalo nui,

Māhealani Kamau

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All the best,

Mahealani "Lani" Kamau
eXp Realty LLC
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407-404-0003

From: [Kawai Kapuni](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ka'anāpali Testimony
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 4:03:21 PM

Aloha,

I am reaching out about item k1. I greatly oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project. It would be detrimental to our oceans; directly hurting invertebrates, sea grasses, fish, seabirds, turtles, monk seals and more and indirectly harming the water chemistry, which would have a negative impact on corals and fish spawnings. Instead, I request the state look further into using the sand Mauka of the shoreline, which is of the same supply of Black Rock and has the same granular size and composition.

Mahalo Nui Loa,
Kawai Kapuni

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Kawaiola'akeali'i Kili Kapuni

From: [Katalina](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1 testimony
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 1:48:15 PM

Aloha,

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From: [Sommer Kauakahi](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:17:25 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali artificial beach project.
I am requesting the state not spend 5 million on beach nourishment project.

Sommer Kauakahi

From: [Sommer Kauakahi](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:17:25 PM

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Sommer Kauakahi

From: [Christine Keahi](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ka'anapali beach nourishment
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 5:22:22 PM

I do not support item
K1-State funding the
Ka'anapali real estate
protection/beach nourishment
project. I refuse to have my tax dollars used to fund the Ka'anapali real estate protection/
beach nourishment project. The harm to the reef rich in coral and sea life will be irreparable.
The area where the sand will be taken will harm a thriving fish habitat. I'm a long time
resident of Lahaina. I moved here in 1969. I traversed through kiawe trees and sand to get to
the the reef at Ka'anapali. The state cannot use our tax dollars for the benefit of private land
owners.

From: [Nipuu Keahi-ng](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ka'anapali
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 12:57:25 PM

Aloha

My name is Nipu'u Ng. I'm a Maui county lifeguard in West Maui. I have observed the movement of sand my entire life and it will be a waste of tax dollars for beach nourishment. Not only will you impact ocean quality you will also impact prime nabeta fishing grounds off shore in the area proposed. This will hurt my native subsistence rights. Please do NOT fund this project

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Robin S. Knox](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda item K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 7:41:40 AM

I oppose the state funding of the Kaanapali Beach Nourishment.

Robin Knox
2796 Kauhale st
Kihei HI 96753

From: [Jamie](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K-1: Funding of the Kā'anapali Beach Restoration Project
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:07:34 AM

To: Board of Land and Natural Resources
P.O. Box 621, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96809

March 9, 2023

RE: K-1 Authorize the Chairperson to Negotiate and Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Kaanapali Operations Association, Inc. for the Funding of the Kā'anapali Beach Restoration and Berm Enhancement Project Located at Hanakao'o, Lāhainā, Maui.

To Whom It May Concern,

There exists more evidence that points to the detriment and destruction that can, and most inevitably will, be experienced by the dredging of sand and manual rebuilding of Kā'anapali Beach, than proof that this plan will be able to be executed without creating havoc (albeit possibly not intentional) to natural, cultural and historic resources held in public trust.

When taking other projects similar to the Kā'anapali Beach Restoration project into consideration — and the dangerous, even deadly, unintended consequences of their engineering — it stands as a direct conflict to the mission of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), and even more unequivocally against the goals of the Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR).

The DLNR's mission states that their aim is to *“enhance, protect, conserve and manage Hawaii's unique and limited natural, cultural and historic resources held in public trust for current and future generations* of the people of Hawaii nei, and its visitors, in partnership with others from the public and private sectors.”

The mission statement from DAR claims that that are *“to work with the people of Hawai'i to manage, conserve and restore the state's unique aquatic resources and ecosystems* for present and future generations.”

By no means can the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) and its associated divisions perform their job with dignity and success if they are to help fund the Kā'anapali Beach Restoration project — a project that will have outcomes in direct contrast to their simple and important mission and add to the continued mismanagement of and short-sighted attack on our collective resources in the name of hotels and tourism (an economic sector who's reckless and, at times, toxic impacts are increasingly outweighing its benefits day in and day out).

To the BLNR, please recall what the Department's intended mission means in your individual hearts and view subsequent actions as an opportunity to do and be better for Maui and future generations both in and out of the water. A different future marked by consciousness, beauty, longevity and health is imaginable and attainable with creativity, collective visions, hard work and by leading with our hearts. Please listen to the people who call Maui home.

Mahalo and Aloha,
Jamie Kranberg

From: [Liana Labrador](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 5:58:17 PM

Aloha

My name is Liana Labrador. I grew up in Lahaina and live in Kā'anapali. The state is making a big mistake by funding this project for tourism. Do not waste public money on a short term fix.

Mahalo

Liana Labrador

From: [sabrina Labrador](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please read!!!!
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:47:19 PM

Aloha, I'm testifying on item K-1. My name is Sabrina Labrador. I live in Ka'anapali. My family and I swim and dive for subsistence at this beach. Like Waikiki, I believe this project will harm the ocean, quality, offshore, ecosystems, and impact the surf. Please do not fund this project.

Mahalo

Sabrina Labrador

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From: [lahainasurfshack](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:28:17 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Restoration Project.
Mahalo.

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

From: [Kevin Lammer](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ítem: K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 9:03:23 AM

Please please oppose the proposed sand dredging of kaanapali. The backside teems with life like schools of eagle rays, reef sharks, and our beloved honu who all rely on that reef system for life. Dredging will only bury their homes in sand and cause more harm than good. Dredging is only a temporary solution that is a waste of taxpayer dollars. One big south swell and \$10million goes down the drain. Please please oppose this horrendous project

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Leslie Le Gaux](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Cc: [DLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K-1 Oppose
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 4:21:09 PM

I oppose the state funding for the Kaanapali Beach restoration project. Long ago this sand was brought here to 'make' this beach as you know. Kaanapali is not natural. Well, nature is taking it back & doing what nature does, restoring nature & setting the Aina in balance & making it right again. Change happens. If this makes Maui fall from the grace that has been making it the number 1 destination in the world for years & years, then THAT is what's meant for Maui. We are over populated & over visited as it is. Look at what nature is doing and go with the flow. Be pono with mother Maui first.

Mahalo nui,

Leslie M Le Gaux
808-280-1491
21-year resident

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
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From: [Nicole Busto](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Oppose Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 12:59:27 PM

To whom it may concern,

What you are proposing is ridiculous!

You want to, for over 2 months, mine sand from an area just outside Black Rock that will leave a hole large enough to fit one and a half Safeway shopping centers (75,000 cubic yards of sand). The sand will then be transferred and bulldozed onto Kaanapali beach.

This process will have direct negative impacts to the ecosystem off of Black Rock and the existing beach ecosystem, indirect negative impacts to water chemistry, which affects coral and fish spawning and water quality impacts that further degrade marine life and the ocean user experience.

This is NOT a good idea!

Figure out something else.

Regards,
Nicole LeClaire

Maui Nutritional Therapy
Nicole LeClaire NTP, CGP
808-463-7783

From: [Alissa Walin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ka'anapali Beach restoration
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 8:36:16 PM

Aloha e BLNR,

Writing you with concern about the vote on 3/10 and the decision to either proceed or cease with the Ka'anapali beach restoration project.

On one side, I understand that Hawai'i is so reliant on tourism, and with recent votes of the beach being among the 10 most beautiful beaches, this project seems like it must happen. Therefore making it a priority to protect the billions of dollars worth of assets and the perception of tourist. (who pay the bill)

However, the environmental disruption and emotional distress of the removal of over 75,000 cubic yards of sand are doesn't seem like a well thought out solution.

Please I urge you vote on the side of caution and to have extensive analysis of how the removal will effect the ecosystems. The betrayal to the Kamaina to whom you swore to protect, is a painful experience that is repeatedly happening. Please, do what is right. Please protect Maui as long as you can.

We all make mistakes, but this is one that can be avoided.

Mahalo,
Alissa Lei

Ps. You know the real issue is that we are so reliant on tourism. Give power back to the people. Educate our people. Give them the chance to steward the progression and direction of Hawaii. We are modern-day Hawaiians who can do it better. We need to come together to fix each other.

Sent from iPhone

From: [Keleko](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Kaanapali beach sand project
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:22:57 AM

Aloha Board of Land and Natural Resources,

We are writing in our opposition of the project to disturb our natural ocean bottom near black rock to replenish naturally eroded beaches in Kaanapali. We should let mother nature do what she thinks is best for our shoreline. The thought that there would be any public funds to be considered for this project that while all beaches are public, this stretch of beachfront is clearly a resort area and has limited public parking and no public amenities.

This does not feel like it is a public service but rather responding to hotel requests to alter the shoreline not for the benefit of the environment. This appears to be detrimental to the ocean life and the only benefit will be for guests of the hotels the shoreline will be modified for.

We certainly oppose the entire project and even the plan does move forward, we oppose using any public funds for this beach alteration.

Mahalo,

LKF Trust
40 Puakukui Pl
Lahaina 96761

From: [Quinsea Loft](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 6:00:55 PM

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration Project!!!!!!

From: [Lorraine](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] KA'ANAPALI BEACH PROPOSAL
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:40:22 PM

Aloha,

I'm a long term resident and oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

Mahalo

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Barb Lueders](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 3:38:29 PM

I oppose state funding of the artificial beach project at Kaanapali.

Barbara Lueders

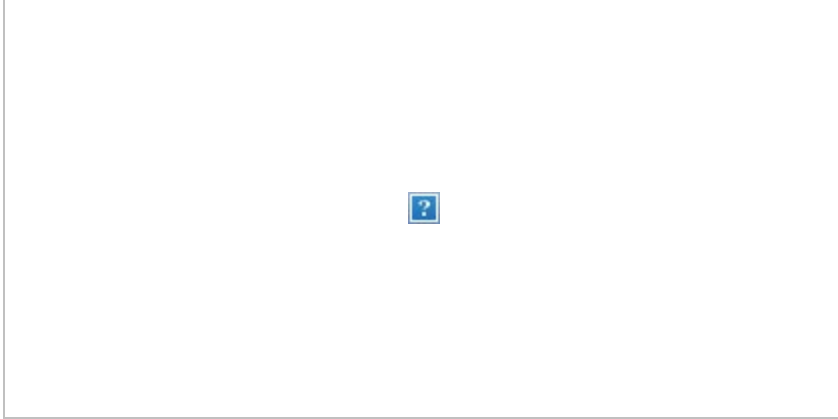
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From: shannon.mahoney824@gmail.com
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 5:57:54 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

From: [Makakoa Media](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Misuse of funds
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:03:24 PM

The hotels make so much money, they should fund the beach restoration themselves. The only emergency is to their profits. Tax dollars funding this only supports the corporation. --



From: [Greg Masessa](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:44:08 PM

I oppose state finding of kaanapali beach restoration. As a Marine scientist, non-profit volunteer, and ocean recreator, this is not the way. Managed retreat is the only logical and sustainable option. We cannot let greed destroy our islands. Mahalo

Greg Masessa
masessag@gmail.com

From: [Bill Matevich](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:59:03 PM

- > Item: K1
- >
- > I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration project.

William Matevich
Maui homeowner

From: [Jayce Mawson](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:55:16 PM

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali artificial beach project.

Jayce Mawson
Wailuku
8084939564
Sent from my iPhone

From: [KEILI MCEVILLY](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 7:41:33 AM

Aloha kākou,

My name is Keili. I am a native Hawaiian and advocate for healthy beach erosion and maintenance. I worked with Surfrider Foundation for several years and understand the compromises and sacrifices that must be made to protect our beaches in Hawai'i.

I oppose the state funding of the Kaanapali artificial beach project. We have seen this project conducted at popular beaches such as Waikiki. It will simply damage marine ecosystem, waste the Hawaiian peoples money, and prolong the natural erosion process. What NEEDS to happen is to move all building back.

From a place of Kokua and experience, I am asking that the state please NOT spend \$5 million on another beach nourishment project.

Mahalo.

From: [Kelli Uderitz](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:16:31 AM

I oppose state funding of the Kaanapali beach nourishment project.
Kelli Medeiros

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Felili Mendoza](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:20:52 PM

Item:K1

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project.

From: [Monssy V](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Protest
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 10:15:48 PM

I respectfully oppose the Kaanapali artificial beach project. This “solution” that is intended is only temporary. I understand our economy and livelihoods depend on the revenue the hotels on this beach bring into our communities, but there must be problem solving that includes a much more holistic approach instead of a linear one. Why not invest those millions of dollars the project will require, into a long term investment like habit restoration. Our natural costal habitats can help alleviate our beach erosion, caused by long shore drift, when it comes to slowing down and reducing the hight of waves. I know many solutions were taken into consideration. But overall the key is to think about the longevity of the solution and how it will play part in our systems puzzle down the line.

From: [Delphine Morice](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda item K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 7:40:09 AM

Aloha

Agenda item K1

I oppose the state funding of the Kaanapali Beach Nourishment. Best

Delphine

From: kanielamorimoto@yahoo.com
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Cc: kanielamorimoto@yahoo.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL] item K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:49:13 AM

blnr.testimony@hawaii.gov

Dear Friends:

I send this message to OPPOSE item K1 - State funding the Ka'anapali real estate protection/beach nourishment project.

Clearly, this is NOT a sustainable endeavor.

Thank you.

Daniel Morimoto

kanielamorimoto@yahoo.com

From: [Kehau Nahooikaika](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:21:27 AM

Item: K1

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Sand Revitalization Project.

Why does the state only have funds for anything that has to do with the tourist industry? I am requesting that the state not spend \$5 million on the beach nourishment project. You can do better.

Mahalo,
Ka 'ohana Nahooikaika

From: [Layne Nakagawa](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K-1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:56:00 PM

Aloha I'm Layne Nakagawa. I oppose the state funding beach nourishment projects on Maui. I work as a commercial fisherman. The area being proposed for extraction of sand is prime EFH (essential fish habitat) for Nabeta as well as kona crab. This project will harm other fishermen as well as offshore ecosystems that support healthy sustainable fisheries. Please do not allow this project to happen!!!! Mahalo Layne Nakagawa

Sent from my iPad

From: [pelenatita namoa](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Items: K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:11:31 PM

I OPPOSE the state funding the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration Project!

Mahalo,

Pelenatita Namoa-Hanusa

From: [Natia Barber](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:42:30 PM

I oppose the state funding of the Kā'anapali Beach Restoration Project.

It is detrimental to our islands natural environment and will only continue to perpetuate the lack of care for our 'Āina.

Best,
Natia

From: [Matt Neal](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposition to K-2 sand placement project at kaanapali maui
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 5:30:06 AM

Aloha,

My name is Matt Neal, Maui resident, and please consider this email an opposition testimony against the planned sand placement project at Kaanapali. I oppose this project for the following reasons:

- 1) because of the potential negative impacts that it will have on the corals when the newly un-naturally-placed sand is washed back off-shore.
- 2) the project is a waste of time, money and resources because it will only last for a short period and the ocean will move it away through tides, currents, swells and storm events. This has happened every time this has been done at other beaches around the State (i.e., Waikiki, Kanaha, etc.).
- 3) this is being done purely for the sake of tourism with no thought of the local people or environment, there are other more important things to spend our tax money on, like regulating tourist ocean activities, habitat restoration/protection and addressing tourist overuse of beaches, boat ramps and the beaches and waters of Hawaii, etc.

Please do NOT fund this ridiculous project.

From: [Olivia Nordgaarden](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:54:54 PM

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali artificial beach project!

I'm requesting that the state not spend \$5 million on beach nourishment project.

I urge you to consider where the root of this problem truly lies.

Do the right thing, not the capitalist thing.

Signed,
Olivia Nordgaarden

From: [Hi'ialo Palakiko](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:37:20 PM

I opposes the state funding the Kaanapali beach restoration project..

This project will not fix any issues permanently but will cause more damage to our ocean life and it's ecosystem..

Hiialoakahekili Palakiko

From: [Tamara A. Paltin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:42:13 AM

Aloha e Chair Chang and Board members,

Mahalo for your service.

I oppose using state funding for the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

Malama Pono,
Tamara

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From: [Paradis, Dustin](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Kaanapali
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 6:55:46 AM

I oppose the proposal to do sand renourishment in Kaanapali. This practice affects so many benthic marine animals, disturbs endangered species, and is not a reasonable solution to the issue. Relocate the hotels and the sand will naturally return over time. With so many recent boat grounding from storms, use these valuable taxpayer dollars to address neglected mooring fields, damaged reef habitat, and educational information for prevention.

Dustin Paradis
Maui resident

From: [Tere](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposition to State Funding of the Kā'anapali Beach Nourishment
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:05:39 AM

Aloha e

I oppose the State Funding of the Ka'anapali Beach Nourishment.

Tere Patterson

Sent from my iPhone

From: [jasmine Powell](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I oppose state funding for Kaanapali beach project
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 9:00:05 AM

Aloha,

I would like to voice my opposition for the state funding of the Kaanapali beach project.

Thanks,
Jasmine

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Terani Richmond](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] NO KAA NAPALI BEACH NOURISHMENT PROJECT
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 5:08:16 PM

PLEASE DO NOT FUND THE KAA NAPALI BEACH PROJECT. THE SHIPPED SAND IS INVASIVE AND THE LOCAL SAND WILL COME BACK THROUGH THE SEASONS. LEAVE THE BEACH ALONE!

From: [nancy.roberson](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony te: Kaanapali Beach
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:02:47 AM

I oppose the State funding of the Kaanapali Beach management.
Ty, Nancy & John Roberson

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Marcus Rodrigues](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:23:37 PM

Aloha

My name is Marcus Rodrigues and I'm a professional bodyboarder from Maui. My friends and I surf Kā'anapali during large south swells. I fear this project will have ocean quality and impacts to the surf. Waikiki is a prime example of how beach nourishment can impact the quality of a local surf break. Sand come and goes. The state must let nature migrate where she wants to go. Here is a pic of how the sand always comes back! Why waste \$5 million on something nature can do for herself.

Mahalo

From: [Kaimi Ross](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: "beach nourishment project ka'anapali"
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:12:12 PM

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From: **Kaimi Ross** <kaimi.ross@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 8, 2023 at 1:10 PM
Subject: "beach nourishment project ka'anapali"
To: <BLNR.testimony@hawaii.gov>

Please do not put money into covering more of our coral reefs with sand. The sand is going to move, sea level rise is going to happen. Please do not put money into something that would harm our ecosystems for the sake of tourism. It's not worth it. It will never be worth it. Most of all we the residents, Kanakas, and the people of Hawaii don't want it. That should be enough.

From: [Irene Ryding](#)
To: [Irene Ryding](#); [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I do not support item K1 - State funding the Ka'anapali real estate protection/beach nourishment project.
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 9:14:51 PM

Ka'anapali is an Ocean Recreation Managed Area(ORMA) that is under the jurisdiction of State DLNR/DOBOR. State DOBOR has not responsibly managed our public trust at Ka'anapali for many years.

The State does not maintain the Pu'u Keka'a(Black Rock) swim zone buoys or the five ingress/egress channel buoys for commercial boating operations at Ka'anapali in a timely manner. A few year back a speeding boat killed a beloved West Maui coach checking lane markers at Hanakao'o(Canoe beach)

There are no public restrooms or showers at Ka'anapali. In fact, during the pandemic, resorts SHUT off the beach showers.

There is very little public beach access parking that isn't dominated by tourists and tour companies.

The state has failed to regulate the resorts who regularly dump dirt and plant beach killing vegetation on the shoreline that ends up smothering our reef.

The State has refused to pay for lifeguards even though Ka'anapali has one of the highest numbers of injury and death in the State.

DOBOR has left a shipwreck on Ka'anapali beach for years.

!Now they want to give 5 MILLION to the hotels and spend \$10 Million to make a pretty beach for the tourists while destroying marine ecosystems.!?
UM, hell no!!!

#KaanapaliBeach #BestBeachesOfTheWorld #StateFail #WestMaui

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From: [Brent Schlea](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:06:55 PM

I oppose the sand replenishment project in Kaanapali. I see it as a total waste of our tax dollars that need to be better spent.

Mahalo
Brent Schlea

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Heidi Sherman](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Kaanapali Beach Maui
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 11:32:43 PM

Hello

We are lucky to live in Hawaii where the beaches are public. The cost share aspect of the Kaanapali project is complicated because the neighboring resorts and the Maui community have different priorities when it comes to maintaining private landscaping, increasing beach width and/or protecting the marine environment. When the neighboring resorts are treated as the sole client their priorities are given preference over community priorities in the project design. For example, the neighboring resorts were opposed to dune restoration because dunes might partially block their view, so dune restoration was not included in the project design. The community is concerned about negative impacts to the marine environment and deserves an accurate, impartial environmental impact assessment. I live on Maui and have Kaanapali Beach data and photos on Facebook at Kaanapali Beach Study:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/314578532591505>

Mahalo

Heidi Sherman

From: [Gayle Shufeldt](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:32:46 PM

I fukly OPPOSE this artifical Beach Project

As an avid night scuba Driver at Black Rock Beach in Kaanapali for Over 30 years
Im concerned it will kill off and disrupt the amazing sea creatures there. Its Full of so many
wonderful things PLEASE Dont destroy it to make the Beach have more sand on the south
end. It wont Work, these things NEVER do. Why? Why? Why?

Save our black Rock
Dont let them destroy it

The Beach disappears....
The Beach returns
Repeat, repeat, repeat
The Beach disappears.....
The Beach returns.....

Been doing this forever,
seen it hundreds of times.

Please OPPOSE this Project

Mahalo Nui Loa

Gayle M Shufeldt

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Mahalo Nui Loa,

Gayle

Count your blessings

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Mahalo Nui Loa

Gayle M Shufeldt

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Mahalo Nui Loa,

Gayle

Count your blessings

From: [Kele Sipman](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item k1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:52:39 AM

Aloha,

My family oppose the state wasting \$5 million for beach “nourishment” this project is quite the opposite. This project will affect ocean quality, destroy prime fishing grounds off shore, and disrupt the natural ebb and flow of the ocean. Please do NOT spend our tax dollars on a project that will harm our public trust resources.

Our taxes money would be better spent on improving education, homelessness, feeding hungry children, medical care. Things that are for the community and not just for the tourist photo ops.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Robert Smith](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item K-1
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 12:25:42 AM

Item K-1

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach restoration project.

I oppose the restoration project all together.

Developers built too close to the sea across all islands.

Robert Smith

From: [Matthew Snyder](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:17:14 PM

I oppose the state funding the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration Project.

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Matthew Snyder
(808) 276-9996

From: [Allie Stevens](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:53:25 PM

I strongly oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

Mahalo!

From: [Allie Stevens](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:53:25 PM

I strongly oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Artificial Beach Project.

Mahalo!

From: [Richard Sword](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 2:27:17 PM

Aloha,

I oppose the BLNR funding of the ‘Kaanapali Beach Restoration Project’. I believe it will do more harm than good to the environment and ecosystems in the ocean and on along the coast. I was born and raised on Maui, and care deeply about our fragile ecosystems here. I completed an Environmental Studies degree at UH Mānoa, and have seen plenty of examples of these types of projects only done in efforts to benefit tourists and the hotels trying to make their money. Would be nice to see Maui setting a better example, and finally putting our resources to helping the community here rather than being an afterthought.

Mahalo,
Richard A. Sword

From: [Darrell Tanaka](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony to BLNR
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023 8:34:19 AM

To, Board of Land and Natural Resources
From, Darrell Tanaka, Fisherman on Maui

RE. Item K1 , Kaanapali sand replenishment project.

I oppose this project, the area the sand is going to be taken from is prime habitat for Kona Crabs and Nabeta...the movement of sand on this particular beach is extremely dynamic, where tons of sand moves north to south every year, the sand should eventually return...but because the sand moves so much, any nourishment project is just temporary, most likely lasting less than a year, its a complete waste of money. Instead, the money could be used to deconstruct adjacent structures and return the area to its original condition, which was sand... the only reason a building is there now is because they covered the sand with topsoil...it is completely unfair to use public funds to benefit a private commercial entity.

Sincerely
[Darrell Tanaka](#)
[Maui fisherman.](#)

From: [Matthew Taylor](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re item K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:11:06 PM

Aloha

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali Beach Project.

Mahalo

Matthew

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Matthew Taylor

I create a world of emotional safety through guardianship and truth telling.

From: [Greg Thornburgh](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 2:03:46 PM

I do not support the poorly planned, temporary band-aid outlined in the Ka'anapali Beach Restoration Project. Mother nature is taking back the beach. You can not and will not stop her. This plan will create more ecological damage than it could possibly prevent, making it a waste of time, money, and resources. The resorts need to assess their holdings and remedy the situation by moving their properties back from the encroaching ocean, by whatever means necessary and at their cost. They are the biggest part of this community problem. As a regular visitor to Hawaii who spends copious amounts of money on our family's adventures all while honoring traditional Hawaiian beliefs and practices (and then leaving), I strongly urge you not to move forward with this plan. It is not a beach restoration plan but a stop gap for the resorts, who have a track record of not operating in good faith with the community.

Thank you for your consideration,
Greg Thornburgh

From: [Gabrielle Vasile](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item:K1
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 8:45:19 AM

Item: K1

I am oppose the state funding of the Kaanapali beach restoration project.

Mahalo,
Gabrielle Vasile

From: [Catherine Velasquez](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item: K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:55:03 PM

Please DO NOT fund this.

Refurbishing a beach with imported sand does not last nor help.

Where it is dredged from has a negative impact on the ecosystem.

This is a waste of taxpayers/state money.

I oppose the state funding the Kaanapali artificial beach project.

Thank you,
Catherine Velasquez

Follow your heart, it leads from love.

From: [George Vierra](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:04:56 PM

Aloha e Board members,

My family is of Lahaina, my mother is a Keahi, we have lived in Lahaina for many generations - Mauka to Makai. I oppose the State putting up \$5M to decimate our Nabeta and Kona crab grounds when they can't even manage the Ocean Recreation Management Area or nearshore waters adequately. Put that \$5M and partner with the county to put lifeguards, maintain the swim zone buoys and ingress/egress buoys before more people get hurt or killed, remove the shipwreck fronting the Marriott, regulate the swimming pools that backwash into the ocean, create more parking for locals, provide showers or restrooms for beach users because the hotels don't like local Hawaiians using theirs but they want to use our tax monies for their projects, they do zero to regulate the pre-setting of cabanas and umbrellas on and on and on. So spend the monies addressing existing problems instead of inviting more problems. Mahalo,

George Kaulani Vierra

Sent from my iPhone

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To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:04:56 PM

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George Kaulani Vierra

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From: [Nancy Wassman](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] K-1
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 3:49:15 PM

Aloha! I am against dredging for sand replacement at Kā'anapali beach, K-1. I have seen this done numerous times for the beach in front of Duke's statue in Waikiki and one storm with waves washes it away. This is spending taxpayers money to benefit the tourists.
NO on K-1.

Nancy Wassman

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Brandi Wilkins](#)
To: [DLNR.BLNR.Testimony](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ka'anapali Restoration Testimony
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 2:21:36 PM

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in to testify against the state of Hawaii spending money on restoring the beach walks in Ka'anapali. The impact on the environment and the tax paying residence is not worth it and I think I can speak for the majority of residents and locals of Maui! The cost in pure disaster is nothing we want to see here and I strongly disagree with the state moving forward with this project. Thanks for your time & Aloha!

Blessings
Brandi Wilkins