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Dear Chair,

I am submitting a written testimony via email on behalf of the State of Hawaii Department of Transportation – Highways (HDOT).

1. DLNR is requesting for HDOT to move Basin E 700 linear feet into their property without any guarantee that drainage from their property will not drain into the basin, potentially overflowing the basin in which the burden to maintain would fall onto HDOT.

DLNR further proposes that the cost shall be entirely borne unto HDOT, however, if both parties will benefit from the newly proposed design, cost sharing should take place, commensurate of drainage volumes shared by each party.

HDOT is agreeable to explore other drainage options with DLNR in the near future that we believe will have a reduced impact on both parties overall.

2. DLNR proposes 3 access points onto the State Highway roads along an approximate 0.6-mile stretch, consisting of vehicular and potentially pedestrian foot traffic. Without a proper Traffic Impact Analysis, HDOT cannot make a prudent decision whether the proposed accesses will impact traffic at an acceptable level of service. Because the nearby intersection will be servicing the developing Hoopili subdivision, a careful analysis by DLNR must be conducted. Minimization of access points allows the maintenance of a function operation of the highway.

Furthermore, the University of Hawaii West Oahu previously requested for access along the same road, in the opposite direction, and HDOT did not grant per reasons discussed above.

Regards,

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