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Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Zoom testimony Item J-2 request for Friday, October 25th
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Aloha DLNR/BLNR,

I would like to provide testimony over zoom for Item J-2 DOBOR is set to present this Friday, October 25th.

Please provide me with a zoom link and instructions if any.

Mahalo,

Casey Mayes Commodore Kona Sailing Club 808.557.6075 https://konasailingclub.org



BLNR Meeting 10-25-2024, J-2 Support

Dear Chair Chang and Board Members on the Department of Land and Natural Resources:

As a long time boater in Hawaii, I am in support of the new and larger land area in a Revocable Permit for the Kona Sailing Club.

The Kona Sailing Club is well known in the broader State of Hawaii boating community for being an excellent sailing club. Some features include:

1.

An official 501(c)(3), non-profit organization.

2.

100% of the elected leadership roles and maintenance 'staff' are volunteers.

3.

The size the boats in this club are 'small' and trailerable.

4.

There is small club house with picnic benches, this area serves as active site with regular community potlucks, sailing classes and regattas.

5.

The Kona Sailing Club Youth Program is famous for providing excellent sailing education, especially the summer youth programs.

6.

The club encourages their older youth (teens) to become certified as sailing instructors, which means traveling to Oahu (Waikiki and Hawaii Yacht Clubs).

7.

The Kona Sailing Club has organized sailing regattas, to include Hawaii Island residents from the Hilo area, and as well as sailors from around the State.

Questions:

How long is the new Revocable Permit for?

Can the rental price be fixed for 3 years to allow the club can catch up financially on repairs to their building?

Mahalo,

Kate Thompson

Past Commodore of Hawaii Women's Yacht Racing 2000-2001 Oahu and Big Island sailing clubs have worked well together for many years.

