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Testimony of Opposition to BLNR meeting 4/11, Agenda item D-1.

This is NOT the cite to be doing Avian Rescue and Research... UH needs to rethink their placement plans because My Iwi Kupuna are buried here!!!

To read what state and County officials paint our people of Hawaii out to be "Squatters" is unacceptable. It shouts discrimination. When will it stop?

We are Kanaka..Stewards/Care takers, Educators, and PROTECTORS of this Aina in question ... We are also not just stewards of the living but protectors of the MANY Iwi Kupuna that is buried throughout this property and ALL surrounding parcels.

My Grandfather Benjamin Kali Sr. Was the care taker of this Aina and an advocate for many others on the State and counties agenda, now that he's gone I am here to say A'ole to agenda Item D-1.

This land belongs to the people and shouldn't be exploited for research, this grounds specifically is SACRED Burials. PLEASE be considerate of descendants still protecting this sacred site.

WE ARE NOT "SQUATTERS".