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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Conservation District Use Application (CDUA) OA-3961
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Dear Chairperson Chang and Esteemed Members of the Land Board,

We respectfully submit this letter in strong support of the Conservation District Use Application (CDUA) OA-3961 for the *Maunalua Bay Boat Launch Ramp Facility Improvements and Maintenance Dredging Project*.

Our 'ohana is deeply connected to the waters of Maunalua and the ahupua'a of Kuli'ou'ou and Niu. We are both life-long members and supporters of both Hui Nalu Canoe Club and the Polynesian Voyaging Society. Bruce serves as Voyaging Director and a Board Member of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

Through our affiliation with both Hui Nalu and the Polynesian Voyaging Society, we can attest that maintaining Maunalua Bay's navigable waterways is critical. The bay is heavily utilized, and the safety of mariners and their vessels depends on the regular maintenance of its channels.

As long-standing members of Hui Nalu Canoe Club, we strongly support the State's innovative plan to repurpose dredged materials to replenish the severely eroded Hui Nalu Canoe Hale grounds. Over the years, much of Hui Nalu's canoe storage area has been lost due to erosion. Utilizing the dredged materials as backfill not only helps restore this vital community space, but also represents a fiscally responsible approach by reducing costs associated with hauling and disposal. This project offers clear benefits to all users of Maunalua Bay.

We look forward to the successful completion of this long-awaited and much-needed project. Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Aloha and Mahalo,

Bruce and Lita Blankenfeld

From: [Brendt Chang](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony in Support of Maunalua Bay Dredging Project and Hui Nalu Canoe Clue Beach Renourishment
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Chair Chang and Land Board Members,

Aloha and good morning. My name is Brendt Chang and I have been a lifetime user of Maunalua Bay. I grew up in Hawaii Kai and have since lived in Aina Haina and now Niu Valley.

Please support the Maunalua Bay Dredging and Hui Nalu Canoe Club beach renourishment project. The project is very much needed for the safety of entrance and egress out of Hawaii Kai Boat Ramp/Koko Marina Harbor.

I thank you for your consideration and time.

Mahalo,

Brendt