From: <u>Jacquelyn W</u>

To: <u>DLNR.BLNR.Testimony</u>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Oppose J-1: Protect Kama'aina Surf Access, and Stop Towing Us

**Date:** Thursday, September 25, 2025 3:44:39 PM

## Aloha Board Members,

My name is Jacquelyn, and I am a resident, frequent diver, and occasional surfer, and living on Oahu. I frequent Ala Moana Beach Park and Ala Wai Harbor often as a place to gather with the community, surf, cook, run and enjoy recreational activities.

As a community member, I urge the Board Members to:

Ensure Board member approval of these parking contracts, not just the DLNR Chairperson.

Protect free Kama'aina access to the beach at the Ala Wai Harbor.

Decide who will be responsible for issuing parking citations before a "camera car" is deployed. Require the government to issue a standard parking ticket before escalating directly to towing.

My hope is that this special place will remain available for all local people for generations to come.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Jacquelyn 
 From:
 Javier Gonzales-Vigil

 To:
 DLNR.BLNR.Testimony

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]

**Date:** Thursday, September 25, 2025 12:53:22 PM

Surviving in Hawaii is already hard enough, hard working local people need their free parking for surfing, fishing, swimming, etc in order to be happy and able to enjoy their own land.

 From:
 John Shockley

 To:
 DLNR.BLNR.Testimony

 Cc:
 Rita Shockley

Subject: [EXTERNAL] LIVE NOTE: Opposition to the J-1 proposition before the Board.

**Date:** Thursday, September 25, 2025 2:48:49 PM

## **Aloha BLNR Chair and Board Members!**

The Free Access Coalition OPPOSES the J-1 proposal that is up for Board consideration.

The plan seems ill-conceived because:

- 1. The automated photo car cost is prohibitive (\$183,000 annually) and incomplete. If the auto car finds a parking violation. There is a warning notice that is supposed to be placed on the car in violation. "Someone" will have to place this note on the car. The car has no person to do it. There is the question of who will pay for the LPR "camera car".
- 2. The tow-aways are an "over-kill" for a car in violation of parking meter expiration. A parking ticket in Honolulu is \$35. Towing of a vehicle costs about \$180 "in cash" at the towing yard.
- 3. The towing company doesn't give any of its collected money to the BLNR or DOBAR for improvement of the facilities at the Ala Wai Boat Harbor area.
- 4. A "Citation First" rule should supersede any towing of vehicles for parking meter violations. This is the Pono thing to do rather than continue with draconian policies of "Towing First."

Mahalo for your time.

John & Rita Shockley Coordinators: Free Access Coalition. <a href="https://www.freeaccesscoalition.weebly.com">www.freeaccesscoalition.weebly.com</a>

From: <u>Malia M K Adams</u>
To: <u>DLNR.BLNR.Testimony</u>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Oppose J-1: Protect Kama'aina Surf Access, and Stop Towing Us

**Date:** Thursday, September 25, 2025 12:39:27 PM

## Aloha Board Members,

My name is Malia Adams and I am a Native Hawaiian living on Kaimuki, Oahu. I frequent Ala Moana Beach Park and Ala Wai Harbor often as a place to gather with the community, surf, cook, and enjoy recreational activities.

As a community member, I urge the Board Members to:

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Protect free Kama'aina access to the beach at the Ala Wai Harbor.

Decide who will be responsible for issuing parking citations before a "camera car" is deployed. Require the government to issue a standard parking ticket before escalating directly to towing.

Life in Hawai'i is hard and expensive as it is, please do not take a way the little joy we can get from our beaches by taking away the free parking.

My hope is that this special place will remain available for all local people for generations to come.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Malia Adams