
[EXTERNAL] Opposition for agenda item M-1 and written contest a case if M-1 is approved by BLNR board.

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Aloha Chair and Members of the Board of Land and Natural Resources,

My name is Kanela Kamahalohanuilai. I am a lineal descendant of William Charles Lunalilo, and a community member from Waimānalo.

I am submitting this written testimony in opposition to Agenda Item M-1: the cancellation of Governor's Executive Order No. 3887 and the set-aside to the Department of Human Services for public housing purposes, including the delegation of authority to issue up to 65-year term, non-exclusive easements and rights of entry for infrastructure purposes at the Kauhale Project, TMK (1) 4-1-013:010.

I was present in October 2024 to contest Agenda Item D-6, which was declined. Since that time, there are now many community members who have been negatively impacted by erosion, flooding, and property damage following the approval of the right of entry for TMK (1) 4-1-008:008. These impacts are not hypothetical—they are real, ongoing, and affecting our community's safety, land stability, and quality of life.

Additionally, due to the lack of meaningful community involvement and communication, I know many community members who would oppose this right of entry if they were fully informed. The impacts currently being experienced—erosion, flooding, and damage—are a direct result of government fast-tracking projects in the name of addressing houselessness through the Kauhale model in Hawai'i. While addressing homelessness is important, it cannot come at the expense of existing communities, environmental stability, and proper process.

For the record, if BLNR approves this right of entry to the Department of Human Services for public housing purposes, I, Kanela Kamahalohanuilai, hereby formally contest this case during the BLNR meeting through this written testimony.

I further state that this approval will cause a direct and irreparable impact to myself due to my lineal trust obligations. The State of Hawai'i and its departments have ongoing fiduciary and trust responsibilities that have been neglected since 2024 and prior. The State and this Board previously acknowledged that an illegal dwelling existed on a separate TMK, yet actions appear to be taken now—through emergency proclamations and new construction efforts—to retroactively legitimize what was previously identified as unlawful.

This approach raises serious concerns regarding consistency, accountability, and the protection of both community members and trust resources. The continued authorization of access, easements, and

infrastructure development without adequately addressing prior violations and current environmental impacts only compounds the harm already being experienced by residents.

I respectfully request that the Board:

- Deny or defer Agenda Item M-1;
- Fully investigate the erosion, flooding, and damages already occurring in Waimānalo;
- Ensure that all prior violations and land use issues are resolved before granting any further rights of entry or long-term easements;
- Improve community outreach, transparency, and engagement before advancing similar projects;
- Uphold its trust obligations to the people of Hawai'i and impacted lineal descendants.

Mahalo for your consideration of this testimony.

Respectfully,

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