
[EXTERNAL] Comments J3 HIPA Halau

From John Carroll <three.prong88@gmail.com>

Date Wed 6/24/2026 7:23 AM

To DLNR.BLNR.Testimony <blnr.testimony@hawaii.gov>

Good morning , my name is John Carroll and I am a parent of a young paddler and paddler myself. I am writing in regards to the expansion of the HIPA halau located at Honokohau Harbor on the big island. Seeing my son along with other young paddlers join the Jr Wa'a youth paddling program has been an amazing experience. These kids that have an interest in paddling can now come to a safe well monitored area to enjoy not only paddling , but social interaction between peers. There's also a big need for places for adults that want to embrace in the culture and activities of canoe paddling. Growing up here my entire life i am aware of the lack of infrastructure and places for kids to go and have a healthy safe environment. This Halau has been a great place for family members of all ages to come and Gather and also partake in activities, and its expansion is necessary to increase its positive impact on the community. Thank you.

Aloha John (Spike) Carroll

[EXTERNAL] LEASE LH-24002

From Lois Hodges <loishelenhodges1@gmail.com>

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To DLNR.BLNR.Testimony <blnr.testimony@hawaii.gov>

I am writing regarding lease LH-24002 to Hawai'i Island Paddlesports Association to urge you to Increase the Lease Area, situated at the Honokōhau Small Boat Harbor, Kealakehe, Kona, Island of Hawai'i, identified by Tax Map Key: (3) 7-4-008:003-0036 to extend the footprint from 13,000 sq ft to 20,500 sq ft.

This facility serves a large sector of our community, from young preteens to seniors in their 80's. The strong growth in the number of youth served by the facility is a testament to the positive impact that it is having on Kona.

Please view this request for extended space as a community service opportunity.

Aloha, Lois Hodges
Kailua-Kona