

Chair Paltin and Members
Disaster Recovery, International Affairs, and Planning Committee (DRIP)
Maui County Council
200 S. High Street
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793

Re: Bill 108 (2026) - Kihei Mauka Infrastructure Phasing

Aloha Chair Paltin and Members of the Committee,

My name is Tim Gallegos, and I live in Kihei. I am writing about the proposed infrastructure requirements for Kihei Mauka.

The concern about roads, drainage, and stormwater is understandable. Those improvements need to be part of the project. The question is when they should be built. I support requiring the needed transportation and watershed improvements before or concurrently with each phase of development, rather than requiring every major improvement across the full approximately 583-acre area before any housing can be built.

The project is expected to develop in phases, and the infrastructure requirements should follow that same structure. Detailed traffic review during future land-use approvals can determine what improvements are needed at each stage, including the mauka connection toward Veterans Highway.

I ask the Committee to keep the phased language for the mauka road and watershed management policies.

Mahalo for considering my testimony.

Tim Gallegos
Kihei Resident