

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) - Kīhei Mauka Growth Area

Aloha Chair Paltin and Members of the Committee,

My name is Krysta Gallegos, and I am a Kīhei resident. I am submitting testimony regarding the Kīhei Mauka growth area and, specifically, the timing of the road and stormwater improvements tied to future development.

I support keeping the infrastructure requirements connected to each phase of development. Kīhei Mauka is planned as a large, phased growth area. The road connections, watershed management, drainage, and other improvements should be required as each phase moves forward so that infrastructure keeps pace with the homes being built.

I do not support requiring the entire mauka collector road and the full watershed system for the whole growth area to be completed before the first housing phase can proceed. A phased approach still requires the improvements, but it ties them to the actual timing and impacts of development.

I ask the Committee to retain the phase-by-phase approach for Policies 3.5.3 and 3.5.5 so housing and supporting infrastructure can move forward together.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Krysta Gallegos
Kīhei Resident