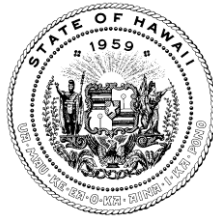


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**Testimony of**  
**SUZANNE D. CASE**  
**Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on**  
**WATER, LAND, & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Friday, April 12, 2019**  
**10:30 A.M.**  
**State Capitol, Conference Room 325**

**In consideration of**  
**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 49, SENATE DRAFT 1**  
**URGING THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO TRANSFER**  
**MANAGEMENT OF ALL SUBMERGED LANDS, THE BOAT LAUNCH RAMP, AND**  
**ANY RELATED BOAT LAUNCH RAMP FACILITIES LOCATED AT THE WAHIAWA**  
**FRESHWATER STATE RECREATION AREA FROM THE DIVISION OF AQUATIC**  
**RESOURCES TO THE DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 49, Senate Draft 1 urges the Board of Land and Natural Resources to transfer management of the submerged lands, boat launch ramp, and related boat launch ramp facilities at the Wahiawā Freshwater State Recreation Area (Area) from the Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR) to the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR). **The Department of Land and Natural Resources supports this measure.**

The Department's Cooperative Agreement regarding the Area with Dole Food Company, Inc. has a stated purpose of "introducing, protecting, and conserving and propagating fresh water fishes and [...] establishing, maintaining, managing and operating fresh water fishing reserves, refuges and public fishing areas therein."

While DAR has been successfully managing the boat launch ramp at the Wahiawā Freshwater State Recreation Area, the Department agrees that management of the submerged lands, boat launch ramp, and boating-related facilities in the Area should be under DOBOR's jurisdiction because DOBOR focuses on regulating vessel operation and boating facility management. DAR would continue to manage the public fishing area and freshwater fishery at the Area, and enforce the fishing restrictions contained in the Cooperative Agreement.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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Andrea Quinn	Individual	Oppose	No

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