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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committees on
TRANSPORTATION
and
WATER & LAND**

**Tuesday, March 30, 2021
3:00 PM**

State Capitol, Via Videoconference, Conference Room 224

**In consideration of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 190/SENATE RESOLUTION 155
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY
STAKEHOLDERS TO IMPROVE THE MAUNALUA-MAKAPUU STATE
SCENIC BYWAY AND DEVELOP A PLAN TO CONSOLIDATE
MANAGEMENT ALONG THE KA IWI COAST SCENIC SHORELINE.**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 190/Senate Resolution 155 requests the Department of Transportation and community stakeholders to improve the Maunalua-Makapuu State Scenic Byway and develop a plan to consolidate management along the Ka Iwi Coast Scenic Shoreline. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) appreciates the intent of these measures and offers the following comments.**

The Kaiwi State Scenic Shoreline managed by the Department's Division of State Parks is an integral element of The Maunalua-Makapuu State Scenic Byway and as such, it is appropriate for the Department to participate in this new planning effort to engage the community on exploring potential options of joint agency and community management of this significant open space corridor.

While the Department does not feel that it is inevitable that vast tracks of land in the subject area will be overrun by commercial interests or parking due to current zoning protections and land tenure, nonetheless, this valuable undeveloped portion of East Oahu represents a significant community open space asset to warrant additional planning and examination of management consolidation.

The Department suggests that this body of government and community members be classified as "Community Advisory Committee" rather than a "Task Force" to be consistent with current trends associated with other similar public engagement processes currently being created throughout the State due to other legislation and previous planning efforts. A Community Advisory Committee will enable increased flexibility in membership based on pertinent subject matter to allow for a broader range of participation.

Also, rather than a "Report to the Legislature" to document discussion, the Department recommends deleting this provision and instead include that the members who represent the community participants can simply update their respective websites, neighborhood boards and the elected officials who represent the district on the outcome of the discussions and the suggested need for additional policy and action.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these measures.

SR-155

Submitted on: 3/29/2021 10:07:55 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/30/2021 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alan Carpenter	Testifying for DLNR	Comments	No

Comments:

I am available for questions. Please allow me Zoom access. Thank you.

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Submitted on: 3/29/2021 1:31:35 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/30/2021 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Malia Marquez	Individual	Comments	No

Comments:

Alpha KÄ• kou,

My name is Malia Lum Kawaihoa Marquez. I am the daughter of the late Shirley M Lum, one of the original protectors of the Save Sandy Beach Coalition.

I believe this proposed resolution comes from a good and pono place, however I do have a few concerns on how it is written. One specific concern is the word "IMPROVE". There is no such way to "improve" a natural, scenic coastline. My other concern is the "creating of a task force". I do not believe in a condensed task force stated in this resolution. Ka 'Iwi should remain a collaborative of community organizations (stake holders) along with government agencies.

Our vigilance and education are essential for addressing the myriad of issues which will better protect and preserve this critical resource, Ka 'Iwi, for future generations. Here's my version of a re-written resolution:

"REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS TO PROTECT THE MAUNALUA - MAKAPU'U STATE SCENIC BYWAY AND DEVELOP A PLAN TO COLLABORATE WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES FOR THE KA 'IWI COAST SCENIC SHORELINE ".

Mahalo for your time on this precious matter.

Me ka ha'aha'a,

Malia Lum Kawaihoa Marquez

For the late, Shirley M Lum