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**Subject:** Informational comments on HB 710, Relating to Fishponds

Aloha -

Thank you for permitting me to make comments at this morning's hearing. Per your request, this email repeats the substance of those remarks.

HB 710 is not quite correct in saying the following: "However, the State has not led a comprehensive initiative to 16 streamline the permit process for restoration of Hawaiian 17 fishponds in more than thirty years."

In fact, in the mid-1990s the Aquaculture Development Program (then housed in DLNR) sponsored two Master Conservation District Use Permits and Final Environmental Assessments (FEA) for fishponds on Moloka'i (1995-02-08-MO-FEA-MOLOKAI-FISHPONDS-REPAIR-1 & 1995-3-23-MO-FEA-MOLOKAI-FISHPONDS-REPAIR-2). These and other environmental documents related to fishpond reconstruction, restoration, and use may be found at the website maintained by the Office of Environmental Quality Control

([http://oeqc.doh.hawaii.gov/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?RootFolder=%2fShared%20Documents%2fEA\\_and\\_EIS\\_Online\\_Library](http://oeqc.doh.hawaii.gov/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?RootFolder=%2fShared%20Documents%2fEA_and_EIS_Online_Library)).

These documents would serve as good starting points for anyone seeking to improve the permitting process for fishpond use & restoration.

Thank you for considering my comments. Please feel free to contact me at this email address should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sara Collins