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Comments:

Aloha Senators,

My name is Louis Galdeira and I worked for the current and past Councilmembers of the District. I wanted to share how important this is for the Waianae Coast. Here are some facts that may help you make the vote in support as well.

The Waianae convenience center needs an increase in capacity and expand. The community has voiced frustration multiple times and City and County CIP funding allocations have been in the budget for years with no movement.

- Understand that the nearest convenience center is in Ewa

- Long lines can back-up all the way to Waianae Valley Road due to full containers, union issues, lunch breaks and understaffing. **This causes people to leave and illegally dump their trash in the community.**

- the postman cannot deliver mail, the trash pick-up is cancelled, and people cannot get out of their driveways. **[You must google Waianae Convenience Center and see the map to understand.](#)**

- if a person borrowed a truck and was unsuccessful at the convenience center, **they will dump their trash in the valley**, usually on Paakea Road because they need to return the truck or they don't want trash in their driveway overnight.

- this also needs to align with the efforts to **[build a convenience center in \(pg19\)](#)** Nanakuli as well for the entire Coast to be able to empty their trash

- illegal dumping is rampant along the coast and this Reso will help with grassroots efforts. This has been on the Waianae NB Agenda multiple times (see below) with no opposition. The only opposition is to create another facility which this RESO is not intended. **The community will be grateful.**

- *"I did include funding into the budget to do a study on a larger, additional, or expanded Refuse Convenience Center on the westside to eliminate illegal dumping. The hours at the Waianae*

Convenience Center are too short, unpredictable, and NOT convenient. We need to make a change here.” – [Councilmember Tupola](#)

- These problems have been ongoing. Here is my letter to Director Kahikina – Councilmember Kym Pine

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- I SUPPORT THIS AND ALL RELATED LEGISLATION

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