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**Agenda Item: D. 1. Section 2.1 A Complete, Balanced and Connected Transportation Network**

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**Testimony for December 21, 2022 CPAC Meeting**

Aloha!

MVA is pleased to submit testimony for tonight's SM CPAC meeting pertaining to 2.1 Transportation, 2.11 pertaining to a management plan for Kealia. I encourage you to ask both Kealia National Wildlife Refuge and landowner Mahi Pono representatives to address the SMCPAC members on this topic.

Mahalo!

Lynn Britton



December 21, 2022

To: South Maui Community Plan Advisory Committee Members

**RE: 2.1: COMPLETE, BALANCED & CONNECTED TRANSPORTATION NETWORK  
Support-2.11: Develop a management plan for the shoreline areas of Kealia**

Aloha SMCPAC Members:

Ma'alaea Village Association (MVA) thanks the members of the SMCPAC for your continued efforts to update the existing community plan for South Maui – which includes Ma'alaea, Kihei, Wailea and Makena. We appreciate your diligent review of the draft plan to ensure it is consistent with the current needs and vision of South Maui residents.

It is unfortunate that many of the South Maui community's goals expressed in the 1998 Kihei-Makena community plan did not come to fruition over the past 24 years! Particular items here include the need to create new beach parks and the need to relocate North Kihei Road. This is a major weakness in the past community plan. We hope your current review update will include strong, actionable goals and plans to address these and other important issues affecting the South Maui community.

Current draft **2.11** reads: "Partner with federal and state agencies, private landowners and community groups to develop a management plan for the shoreline areas of Kealia. The plan should address coastal resilience, recreation, resource conservation, possible relocation of North Kihei Road, and other applicable issues."

We support developing a management plan for the Kealia shoreline. With climate change challenging Ma'alaea's coastline, moving North Kihei Road could provide many opportunities for community benefit in the future. We encourage SMCPAC to prioritize preserving and protecting this valuable coastal resource. Representatives from the Kealia National Wildlife Refuge, landowner Mahi Pono, MVA and the Kihei Community Association should be engaged in the discussion.

Mahalo for your important efforts,

Lynn Britton, Co-Founder, and Immediate Past President, MVA