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Aloha, my name is Heather Graf. I am pleading /voting NO to the "upper Kihei" (Kihei Mauka) expansion. The grid lock where the main road leaves that side of the island (the highway) is flooded with traffic. The other road in/out (S.Kihei) is practically below sea level (\*all the way to maalaea) which includes the "highway" out (also blocked off with traffic) In any natural disaster people would be stuck in the middle of it, and I doubt "Oprah" would open up her road, till it was too late! Kihei/ kula (town way above) have become barren from all the water being diverted for so long (\*also Waikiki, kona,ect...ect...ect...just saying.) ....Just like our beautiful heritage Lahaina) -insert tears, drip drip....Which Just Burned Down With All Its Children Trapped Inside!!!-I'm sure you remember that... I've been stuck on the lower part of Kihei twice recently! (spent X-mas night away from family because there was a motorcycle accident on the "highway" that's all it takes!!! Tourists are blocking those roads getting to Kihei/Lahaina/airport ect!!! It takes one fire to get stuck! Maalaea had fires and dead blocked the roads(all roads were filled w/ tourists trying to get back to their rooms/ workers trying get home to their families. Will "Oprah" open that road for regular people when the traffic is full!? She hasn't yet!!! Grid lock dead stopped. Who's to blame when (Lāhainā fire) happens again!? Hawaii tourism authorities!?, Government!?, Big Business?! hotels etc..!?!? Yes, they are to blame! (Greed for money) Yes, you are to blame if you keep pushing forward business w/out consideration of the environment and the people of hawaii (hawaii is its people.) But I get it,...who "owns" the land makes the rules right?!!! ; "Oprah"?...The man that "owns" Lanai?.... "Mahi Pono"?!..what happens when they die? Do they give it back? ...Who owns Maui & Lanai then? Maybe when they die they can give it back?!!!!

Im sure you also feel powerless,...and have dreams of burning to death, and being pushed out of your own home to move somewhere more affordable(the abyss.)

Don't turn Kihei into more of a matchbox! ...Ironically(or not ironic) flooding is a problem too! (that young fire fighter got sucked through a storm-drain) these down pours happen DURING a fire sometimes!

My idea: build a big half-circle marketplace/ community culture "center"(maybe on the "Mahi pono" land?... with fresh water running through where real people can use it!(drinking/beach showers/water filling stations/ kids/ elderly fountain ...based around sustainability and mental health infused with nature...In the middle of this open heart community "center" is a hawaii food garden/cultural where tourists and locals can do guided community service/work (learn about working the land, restoring water rights/saving water, "our culture" gaining knowledge/ MALAMA PONO (sustainability of our islands we all love.)ect...ect... How to fix the broken "aquifers" broken people too!!! OF THE AINA...(Teach fire safety! Every aspect of the new builds should scream eco-saving-watershed renewal-local/tourist children education, heal the earth!!! etc...ect...ect....Help for elderly, homeless children. Help for the OCEAN. List doesn't end... Then,

after, MAYBE.... put retail/grocery/(whatever "crap" you need for more money\*within extreme reason of cultural appropriation.

SOUNDS HARD! ASK THE TOP TEN PERCENT WHO HAVE ALL THE MONEY AND HAVE VOWED TO MAKE the islands a "better" place. ASK ME! I'll help.

But...

Not in Kihei! Maybe towards the airport(central) ...but first, add another road that can save ALL lives in a natural disaster!

Who will pay for these repairs, and this mountain of righteousness representing the rual people who have died standing in solidarity with there home(the place/land/ people/water(aina), (why not "maui strong" fund?) seems like you got pretty big purse... Or hey open up "Oprah's" road! Fix that watershed above/going through her property which would heal kula, and Kihei(from being a matchbox!) and provide a very much needed "human fire escape"

Ask her! She's one person,...with thousands of acres!!! Maybe she'll do the right thing,...like how she's the spokesperson for successful righteous people of America/and the world! Now is the time big "O"! Let go.... And really show your colors! -\*please!!!

I think these currently grieving families deserve to see something great,...including all of our souls along side the dead to be pono and try to heal all hearts. We all deserve it/need it...to see change in our world and set an example for the other parts of the world that need the same! Some F'n real Aloha! Mahalo

Sent from my iPhone