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Subject: RE: Bike Path--Wailua Bay to Coconut Marketplace

Aloha Bonnie,

Thank you for taking the time to attend Wednesday's meeting and to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your points will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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Subject: Bike Path--Wailua Bay to Coconut Marketplace

Thank you for a very informative meeting March 10 at Kapaa Middle School. You requested comments be sent to you.

I recently walked the completed portion of the Bike Path south of Lydgate Park and agree with most that it is beautifully done. It is an enhancement to the condos nearby and has cleaned up the often shaggy appearance of the beachfront.

In trying to imagine the bike path beach- fronting the condos from Wailua Bay to Lae nani, I see a marked difference: Bikers, walkers, etc. would be very close to buildings, taking away from the beauty they might enjoy viewing the beach. Where the former bike path is perhaps 100 feet from the buildings, the latter would be abutting poolsides and some buildings.

The short distance along Papaloa Road makes much more sense: 1)It is a relatively short distance; 2)A dangerous intersection could be revamped with the installation of a one-way grid and bike path; 3)Bikers would not have to traverse steep inclines of 30 feet above sea level; and the heiau would not have the increased exposure. And we must not forget the monk seals! When one arrives at this beach, an area of 100-150 feet in every direction must be roped off while he/she sleeps away the day; and this would mean blocking any bike path.

This is a relatively small portion of the overall bike path plan and being away from the ocean for a one-minute ride along Papaloa Road will not detract from the route. Further, the Coconut Marketplace merchants might appreciate the added business that the Papaloa Road route would bring them.

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Subject: RE: Lydgate Park-Kapa'a Bike/Pedestrian Path

Aloha Linda,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your points will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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Glenn Kimura
Kimura International

Aloha and thank you for this opportunity for public comment on the proposed bike path. I am a resident of Wailua Houselots and appreciate very much the planned inclusion of a spur up to the Nounou (Sleeping Giant) trailhead.

I would also like to see Wailua Beach, which I frequent 4-5 times a week, preserved as is, particularly on the north end of the beach where the honu often feed and play. Recent storms brought the surf in all the way to the road, then pulled everything on the beach out to sea as the tides receded. The sand was dramatically re-distributed at that time as well. These forces seem to make a seaside path impractical. More importantly, preserving pockets of natural beauty on Kaua'i is vital to residents and visitors alike, and a bikepath on the coastline would detract greatly from the aesthetics of that area. I would strongly recommend that the bike path hug the road along the entire Wailua Beach and move inland behind the condos at Papaloa Road.

Thank you for your consideration.
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Subject: RE: Proposed Bike Path

Aloha Rhodie,

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Subject: Proposed Bike Path

To Whom It May Concern:

At this moment there is a barking dog down on the beach and I can hear him clearly. The beach is 100 feet from me.

We have been consoling ourselves that the sound of the ocean would protect us from the sounds of the proposed bike path in front of Wialua Bay View. That path will be 10 feet from us. so obviously noise will be a problem. Will the path be open for use 24 hours a day?

I agree it would be nice for users of the bike path to have a nice view but we also know we can't move our building. We have put much love and lots of money into Wialua Bay View for 32 years through two hurricanes and a devastating fire.

I think the proposed bike path so close to our building would be the end of Wialua Bay View as a viable tourist accommodation.

If Plan A Alternative 2 was used and the path went down Papaloa Road, users would have a lengthy view of the ocean from beyond Lai Lani to Kapaa. That is where we walk.

Thanks for your consideration.

Rhodie Firth
Wialua Bay View #207

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Subject: RE: kauai path project

Aloha Lynn,

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Thank you for a good presentation at Kapaa Middle School last Wednesday. I think you made the facts and options very easy to understand. While I was present, I held my comments and would like to share them now.

I live in the houselots and walk down to Wailua Bay usually several times a week, to walk the beach, look at the Honu, swim, so am quite familiar with the lay of the land and beach. I would recommend that the path go on mauka of the old restaurant and condos in the area. High water recently took a lot of sand away from the beach under the condos, and made me realize that the beach can and does change significantly. A path on the north end of the bay, makai of the condos, would take up most of the usable beach area. This is a particularly beautiful little area that, I feel, would be damaged by a path. Currently, it is almost a dead end, although one can cross the rocks that go into the water, and makes for a bit of quiet and privacy. It would be a shame to lose that. Personally, the path itself has no appeal to me, and I know that I am not alone. I know that there are others who will enjoy the path. Perhaps we can all be made reasonably happy.

Also, a request. Would it be possible for me to acquire a copy of the map of the Wailua Houselots that was on the wall on Wednesday night? It has detail that I have not seen mapped before.

Thank you,

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Aloha Debbie,

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Dear Mr. Kimura,

I attended the meeting the other night concerning the proposed bike/pedestrian path. Now that the county has put the stakes in, I am greatly concerned about Alternatives 1 and 3 which follows the coastline behind Wailua Bay, Hale Awapuhi, Kapaa Sands etc. I am an owner at Hale Awapuhi and the stakes are right outside my living room window. As it is now, I get a lot of traffic from the beach access which is also next to my condo. If the path is right outside my porch, and you widen the beach access the traffic will become 10 times worse. I am not against having a path, but I do object to it being right outside my door where everyone can look inside my house.

I feel with the path located there I will lose my privacy. I am also concerned with security factors, noise and littering not to mention the loss of my beautiful view which is exactly why I purchased this place.

I assume putting the path down Papalooa Road would be much cheaper than having to cut down trees that exist on our property, tear out all the landscaping and cut through the rocks which acts as a buffer from the ocean during storms.

Also, right below where they want to put the path is a little cove where seals come to shore. By building the path there it might disturb their natural habitat.

Therefore, I feel the only alternative which is acceptable is Alternative 2 which goes down Papalooa Road.

Sincerely,
 Debbie Strudler

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Subject: RE: Lydgate/Kapa'a bike/pedestrian path

Aloha Sy,

Thank you for attending Wednesday's meeting and taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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After attending the public meeting on March 10 I realize there are several areas of concern that I would like to bring to your attention if either alternatives 1 or 3 are approved.

First, I believe the cost would be prohibitive by having to destroy native trees and landscaping on the beach side of the Wailua Bay, Kapaa Sands, Hale Awapuhi, Lae Nani and other condominium complexes north of Lydgate Park. Not to say anything of the tremendous cost to take out rock croppings or drill piers through them.

Second, seals use the beach in front of Hale Awapuhi as a natural habitat and the area has to be roped off.

The bike/ped path would be extremely close to several condos in the Wailua Bay, Hale Awapuhi, and Kapaa Sands condo complexes which would enable users of the path to intrude on to those properties and not only disturb the owners of these properties but would also invite possible lawsuits from anyone going on to these properties and accidentally injuring themselves. The path would also enable intruders or thieves a quick getaway.

In order to keep out intruders the various condos would inevitably have to erect fences between the path and the condos thereby obstructing our views which we paid dearly for when we purchased the property. We would feel like prisoners in our own complex.

The second alternative takes the path along Papalooa Rd. which I feel is a suitable and cheaper alternative to constructing the path on the beach side in front of the condos. It is very easy to alter our normal pattern of getting to the condos along Papalooa Rd.

I also feel that going into the wetlands away from the beach for part of the path would not only be a nice alternative to the beach but would also be a learning experience and you would also be able to connect the various housing developments on the westside to the path.

As a final word in this matter I believe that transportation funds should be used to widen Kuhio Hwy in various areas so that traffic can flow more smoothly and quickly. More and more people will continue to inhabit Kauai and traffic will become unbearable and then it will be too late.

Thank you for considering Papalooa Rd. as the best alternative for this project.

Please feel free to contact me concerning this matter.

Sy Strudler

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Subject: RE: Bike Path on Kauai

Aloha Sonja and Bernie,

Thank you for attending the March 10 public meeting and taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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Subject: Bike Path on Kauai

Aloha

Mr.Kimura

I attended the meeting at the Kapaa middleschool last Wednesday. I found it very informative. But I have several concerns about the Bike Path going in front of the Condominiums that are on Papalooa Cove. Papalooa Cove has many Monkseals coming ashore to rest. I am a Volunteer with the Monkseal Program. It is my job to see the seals are not disturbed. Sometimes I have to block off quit a lot of lawn that is on state land in order to be 150 feet away from the seal. I can see many problems with the path coming so close and the increased traffic with the Bike Path would not be good for the seals.

It is my understanding that the Monkseals are not doing too well. They are not increasing. They rather are declining. They are still number one on the most endangered Marine Mammals in US waters. Also the shoreline in front of Lae Nani Condominiums was severely damaged by the huge waves we had last November. There is a lot of erosion.

I also am concerned about the heavy equipment that has to be brought in. How will that be managed without going to cause more damage to the shoreline?

If the Path should go along the shoreline there will be no access for EMT vehicles to reach any insured people on this portion of Bike Path.

It seems to me that taking the path along Papalooa Road would be a much more logical way to put the path in. Then I also disagree with having the Path go on the public right of way between Lae Nani and Kauai Sands. In order to do that it would mean to cut down several Ironwood trees. Those trees prevented a lot of damage to the adjoining Bldg.during Iniki.

Have the Bike Path connect to the shoreline by going between the Islander and Kauai Sands. Going from Wailua Beach up Papalooa Rd and making Papalooa Rd. partially one way or a limited access road would also solve some of the congestion that is now on this road.

The Seashell has been an Eyesore for too many years. It is rat infested and should be taken down. Then there would be plenty of room to have the Path go up Papalooa Rd.

At the meeting you said that the buyer of CocoPalms is planing to restore the Seashell make a connecting Bridge and have an elevator go down to the Beach.

But Coco Palms is not sold yet! The contract is contingent on a lot of Permits to be applied for and granted. I feel this will take another ten years before we see any rebuilding of the Seashell.

If this portion of the Bike Path were the only one where you would be going along the Ocean front I would not be so opposed to it. But there are many places where the Oceanview can be enjoyed with a lot less disturbance of the Enviroment.

I am also rather puzzled.Why does this Path not have to be ADA approved?

Wailua Golfcourse had to make changes to comply with ADA.I would think it more likely to see a wheelchair on a Bike Path then on the Golfcourse!!

Thank you for letting me voice my concerns.

Sonja and Bernie King
 Lae Nani

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Subject: RE: Kauai Bike Trail

Aloha Forrest,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment--whose main objective is to disclose all known project impacts.

We don't know where the statistic of 75% favoring Papaloa Road came from, since this issue was not raised in the survey.

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Subject: Kauai Bike Trail

Dear Mr Kimura,

I strongly favor the Papaloa Road alternative. I believe it provides beautiful views of the mauka side including a great view of the Sleeping Giant. The large grassy meadow is usually filled with birds. This alternative would avoid the need to cut down many old scenic trees and disturb the turtles and occasional monk seals.

In addition, making Papaloa Road one way would eliminate the dangerous left turns onto the highway.

Finally, at the March 10 meeting there was emphasis on the 92(?) percent of attendees at the earlier meeting who said they would use the bike path. I heard little if any mention of the reported 75% who favored Papaloa Road.

Thank you.

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Subject: RE: Proposed Bike Path, Wailua Bay

Aloha Milo and Virginia,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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Subject: Proposed Bike Path, Wailua Bay

We are concerned and very much against a bike path near the heiau in front of Lae Nani. This sacred place must be protected from increased traffic and further damage. Truly yours, Milo and Virginia Wilcox, 410 Papaloa Road, #425, Kapaa

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Subject: RE: Kauai Bike Path

Aloha Richard and Dorothy,

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April 18, 2004

Glen Kimura
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Dear Mr. Kimura:

Last weekend, we walked the completed section of the Path between Lydgate swimming area and the Bridge. The planners and contractors did a fine job. We were particularly impressed with the imaginative routing at the Bridge. Keep it up!

This letter is to record our support for the plan that directs the Path down Papalooa Road and opposition to the alternatives that pass on the ocean side of the condominiums. Here are our reasons:

- 1) The plans that closely follow the shoreline will require very expensive structures and engineering, and have high continuing maintenance.
- 2) The shoreline route will necessitate land taking at Lae Nani Condominiums. The cost of this is unknown; and while the taking would have a bona fide public purpose, there are clear alternatives that are arguably better and do not require taking private land. The County would have a difficult time establishing ESSENTIAL NEED to take land at Lae Nani in light of the alternatives available.

As the costs of the overall plan are most certainly going to be higher than the available funding, and as Kauai County can

ill afford to further incur the future tax rate, we feel the Papalooa Road route should be chosen. It presents the opportunity to create the most Path for the available money.

The bottleneck at the Sea Shell could be eliminated by making that end of Papalooa Road one-way, providing limited access only to the businesses, and possibly asking the bikers to dismount and walk their bikes for a few hundred feet along a narrower path, as has been done at the Bridge.

3) While the Path should ultimately create positive economic opportunity for some, for the properties on Papalooa Cove, the shore-line route will have the opposite effect, and will change the beauty and character of this area forever.

4) The route that passes over land now owned by Lae Nani will clearly come very close to, or even possibly encroach upon, the Kikui Heiau. We feel this should not be done.

5) The environmental impact on the Hawaiian monk seals that habitually haul up on the beach in front of Lae Nani is of real concern. Since these animals are endangered, the protective zone established with yellow tape when the seals are there would necessitate closing the Path and rerouting the Path users. It is unclear how and by whom this would reliably be done.

In closing, while we strongly support the vision of those who are responsible for creating the Path and for making Kauai an even more inviting and interesting place to live and to visit, we feel that for budgetary reasons and for the others outlined here, the Path should follow Papalooa Road and re-join the shoreline via the Beach Access separating Kauai Sands and Lae Nani, land already owned by the County of Kauai.

Sincerely,

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Subject: RE: Beach Bike Path

Aloha Mr. and Mrs. Stein,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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March 19, 2004

Dear Mr. Kimura:

We are the owners of a condo at Lae nani Condos, 410 Papaloa Road, in Kapaa and, in recent days, we have been receiving much information about the proposed bike/walking path which is being considered from its present terminus near Lydgate Park, through the Wailua Bay area and on to Kapaa. Unfortunately, we have not been able to attend any of the meetings so we have only second hand information on which to draw our conclusions. Sometimes this type of information cannot be relied upon, but, we do have two concerns: The monk seals and the route of the path.

One of our frequent visitors is the monk seal, who, on occasion, chooses our particular part of the shoreline to wander in at his (or her) leisure, stay maybe a day or two, and suddenly, like he arrived, disappears into the deep. One of our owners has accepted the task of protecting said seals and provides the "yellow ribbon" around an area 100-150 feet for its protection. From what we have heard, the bike path will not only be trespassing on the seal's "domain", but, of necessity, would have to be closed during the seal's visit. This could cause quite a problem since the seals are extremely sensitive to human activity. To help protect the species, it is important to enjoy the monk seals from a distance to give them the solitude they need to survive. The latest survey indicates their population to be 1200 to 1500, and declining. They are not only federally protected but also protected under the Hawaiian Island National Wild Life Refuge Act. We would certainly not want to be the cause of any violation of th

Not having seen the proposed path along the seashore, I find it hard to believe there will be an attempt to skirt the rocky shore behind the Wailua Bay View Condo, the Kauai Sands, Hale Awapuli, and behind Lanikai, unless they intend to build a path on pilings. Such a plan would be a tremendous strain on the budget.

The use of Papaloa Road, we understand, has been proposed as a one-way road Northbound which seems to be quite logical. Although it is only a two-lane road, one side could be designated as a "bike path" which would skirt all the above mentioned properties, come in to the Coconut Market Place common area and from there on northward. I feel this plan would be a considerable saving, in dollars, for the future extension of the path. This would also be an economic help to the merchants in the market place.

Undoubtedly, you have been inundated with questions, comments, and suggestions so will not take more of your time.

Very truly yours,

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Aloha Drusilla,

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Subject: Kapaa bike path

I have attended the public meetings regarding the Kapaa portion of the Lydgate/Kapaa bikepath. My husband and I live at Wailua River.

After discussing the various alternatives and visiting the area, we would like to express our opinion that the bike path should go along Papaloa Rd. This seems logical rather than constructing a new path along the beach. I personally enjoy the beach side path along Lydgate Beach and the existing path along the beach in front of Pono Kai in Kapaa town, but feel it isn't necessary to have the path right on the beach in the Wailua Bay area when there is a good wide road close by.

Thank you for your consideration.
 Drusilla Garland

3/19/2004

Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2004 5:58 PM
To: 'd2cole@verizon.net'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Kauai Bike Path

Hi Richard,

The Draft EA will consider all the alternatives presented at the March 10 public meeting. There is no preferred alternative at this stage. In most cases, there are three alternatives in each segment, and the County has asked us to evaluate and disclose the impacts of each. A final alignment will be selected by the County after the Draft EA has been released and the public has had an opportunity to review and comment on it. I've taken the liberty of adding you to our mailing list so we will be notifying you when the Draft EA is available.

Nancy

-----Original Message-----

From: d2cole@verizon.net [mailto:d2cole@verizon.net]
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2004 5:23 PM
To: Nancy Nishikawa
Subject: Re: Kauai Bike Path

Dear Nancy

Can you please indicate which of the alternative routes you are considering for your draft environmental assessment. Or, if you are preparing more than one, which ones will be considered?

Richard Cole

--- Original Message ---

From: Nancy Nishikawa
To: d2cole@verizon.net
Cc: dhaigh@kauaigov.com ; 'HERB LEE'
Sent: Saturday, March 20, 2004 10:12 AM
Subject: RE: Kauai Bike Path

Aloha Richard and Dorothy,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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From: d2cole@verizon.net [mailto:d2cole@verizon.net]
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Cc: chalatour@hotmail.com
Subject: Kauai Bike Path

April 18, 2004

Glen Kimura
 Kimura International

Dear Mr. Kimura:

Last weekend, we walked the completed section of the Path between Lydgate swimming area and the Bridge. The planners and contractors did a fine job. We were particularly impressed with the imaginative routing at the Bridge. Keep it up!

This letter is to record our support for the plan that directs the Path down Papaloa Road and opposition to the alternatives that pass on the ocean side of the condominiums. Here are our reasons:

- 1) The plans that closely follow the shoreline will require very expensive structures and engineering, and have high continuing maintenance.
- 2) The shoreline route will necessitate land taking at Lae Nani Condominiums. The cost of this is unknown; and while the taking would have a bona fide public purpose, there are clear alternatives that are arguably better and do not require taking private land. The County would have a difficult time establishing ESSENTIAL NEED to take land at Lae Nani in light of the alternatives available.

As the costs of the overall plan are most certainly going to be higher than the available funding, and as Kauai County can ill afford to further incur the future tax rate, we feel the Papaloa Road route should be chosen. It presents the opportunity to create the most Path for the available money.

The bottleneck at the Sea Shell could be eliminated by making that end of Papaloa Road one-way, providing limited access only to the businesses, and possibly asking the bikers to dismount and walk their bikes for a few hundred feet along a narrower path, as has been done at the Bridge.

- 3) While the Path should ultimately create positive economic opportunity for some, for the properties on Papaloa Cove, the shore-line route will have the opposite effect, and will change the beauty and character of this area forever.
- 4) The route that passes over land now owned by Lae Nani will clearly come very close to, or even possibly encroach upon, the Kikui Heiau. We feel this should not be done.
- 5) The environmental impact on the Hawaiian monk seals that habitually haul up on the beach in front of Lae Nani is of real concern. Since these animals are endangered, the protective zone established with yellow tape when the seals are there would necessitate closing the Path and rerouting the Path users. It is unclear how and by whom this would reliably be done.

In closing, while we strongly support the vision of those who are responsible for creating the Path and for making Kauai an even more inviting and interesting place to live and to visit, we feel that for budgetary reasons and for the others outlined here, the Path should follow Papaloa Road and re-join the shoreline via the Beach Access separating Kauai Sands and Lae Nani, land already owned by the County of Kauai.

Sincerely,

Richard and Dorothy Cole
 410 Papaloa Road, #321

3/19/2004

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Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:22 AM
To: 'Suestep9@aol.com'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Bike Path

Aloha Stephen,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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From: Suestep9@aol.com [mailto:Suestep9@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 10:31 AM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Subject: Bike Path

Sir/Madam in charge: My wife and I are long time visitors to Kauai, spending 1 month a year (since 1984). We usually stay on the East side and over the years, have stayed at Lae Nani, Lanikai, Hale Awapuhi and Wialua Bay View. I respectfully submit that the proposed bike path along the beach frontages of these properties is a really bad idea. It would disturb the serenity and individual character of these properties, generate litter and noise and greatly reduce the appeal of these condos to visitors such as us, not to mention the far greater expense than the alternative route along an existing right of way, Papaloa Road. Beach access is one thing and it already exists - Turning the waterline across Wialua Bay into a public park is quite another.

Sincerely,

Stephen R. Hastings (Lae Nani #334)

Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:21 AM
To: 'Kathleen& Norman Persons'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Kauai Bike Path

Aloha Norman and Kathleen,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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From: Kathleen& Norman Persons [mailto:personskauai@mac.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 9:27 AM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Subject: Kauai Bike Path

Aloha

This is to register our support of the bike path, and to tell you that we are resident here at Wailua Bay View. Our home is unit 109. In the middle of the building. The county flag was placed less than ten feet from our lanai. It is obvious that we prefer the alternate route which is exclusive of our front lawn. We would fully support the path which uses Papaloa Road.

Please feel free to either email or call us for any questions or comments. phone is 808 822 2538.

Mahalo for your attention Norman and Kathleen Persons

Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:20 AM
To: 'Linda Herceg'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: bike path at Lae Nani

Aloha Linda,

As you may know, we are currently preparing the draft environmental assessment for the proposed bike/pedestrian path. The purpose of this document is to evaluate and disclose all known environmental, social, and economic impacts, so your comments are timely and appreciated. Your viewpoints will be considered in the draft EA.

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From: Linda Herceg [mailto:LindaHerceg@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 6:40 AM
To: nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com
Subject: bike path at Lae Nani

Hi Nancy.
 22, 2004

March

My name is Linda Herceg. My family lives here at Lae Nani Condominium all year round, and we would like to offer you the following observations for your consideration regarding the proposed bike path along this coastline.

My husband and I love to walk the shoreline to Kapaa and frequently ride bikes as well. We are aware of the difficulty getting through Kapaa town and welcome the improvement of a bike path on Kauai.

During the year, every few weeks or so, because of the wave patterns and the large reef fronting the beach at Lae Nani, the sand is almost completely taken out to sea leaving no beach to walk or sunbathe on. This area becomes a small river, washing over the reef and then out to sea in the small opening near the Keiki rock pool. The children love this as they can boogie board the river. Unfortunately for the rest of the people, the lawn is the only place to sunbathe.

The area at the Keiki pool has the only large shade tree at the beach with the exception of a 3 palm trees near the sea wall a little further down. Shade is at real premium during the summer months when the kids are out of school and come here to play. Last summer there were three local families that came here for several picnics while the men were fishing. The area from the Keiki pool, the shade tree, and a large portion of lawn near the swimming pool was fully used. A lot of young mothers get

together and bring there small children here to swim because of the safety of the Keiki pool.

Also, in this same small area, there are one or two (sometimes three) weddings everyday on the Heiau and lawn, with photos of the bride and groom almost in Keiki pool. This is the most scenic place for weddings.

I'm sure that you are already aware that the Monk seals come here frequently as well. There is only one opening in the reef where they can come through and guess where that is? Near the Keiki pool.

So as you can see, there are many people and creatures trying to use the same small area.

In conclusion, if there had been a bike path here, the very narrow area left, would have taken away some very important, and highly used, recreational land.

It would also have been very dangerous for the small children that run into the ocean and keiki pool.

It would take away the only shaded areas the beach has to offer.

More people coming to the area would make keeping them away from the Monk seals an even harder job.

The Heiau would have hundreds more visitors.

When my husband and I go for a walk, we use the route through the Coconut Market place. It's also nice to have breakfast there at Eggberts or do some shopping on the way home. The beach walk is very nice and we enjoy the sunrises in the open area between the Beachboy and Coconut beach hotel.

One more point we would like you to consider regarding Papalooa road. Everytime we leave here to go to Lihue, I see drivers trying to cross the road at the Shell station in front of oncoming traffic and merging into the southbound lane which is nearly impossible or causing a traffic jam. When returning home, if we take Papalooa road at the Shell station, the cars parked on the right side block the right lane forcing us to use the oncoming lane and motorist leaving the Shell station. (Avoiding potholes is another issue)

This road would be much safer if it was blocked from southbound traffic to Kuhio Hwy. and the right side of the road used for the bike path. This would be a much safer solution for all of us.

Papalooa road has many plumeria trees that are enjoyed by walkers and bikers and would be a nice alternative route for this section of the path along the route to Kapaa.

Thank you for your conserderation on this issue,

Linda Herceg,
 #235
 Lae Nai Condominiums

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Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:14 AM
To: 'HUGH A. BAIRD'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Proposed Bike Path Routing

Aloha Hugh,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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From: HUGH A. BAIRD [mailto:hugh-baird@worldnet.att.net]
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2004 7:21 PM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Subject: Proposed Bike Path Routing

Mr. Glenn Kimura
 Kimura International
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March 22, 2004

Dear Mr. Kimura

Just recently I have learned of a proposed bike and pedestrian path to be built northward from the Lydgate Park area along a shore route. As owner of a condo in the Lae nani complex along the proposed route, I would like to express my preference for a route starting at the vacant Seashell Restaurant and proceeding northward along Papaloa Road to the border between the Coconut Marketplace and the Kauai Sands where it could return to the shore.

This route has several advantages over one the goes right along the shore for that same distance, the most important of which is that it would be the least costly leaving added funds for other sections There are several other considerations as follow:

1. Papaloa Road is essentially a bypass road along Kuhio Highway and is not heavily traveled so could easily be changed to one-way north and would be a quiet, safe route.
2. A route along the shore side of Wailua Bay View Condos would require a steep hill for bikers to climb, or alternatively, would require extensive grading and construction of retaining walls.

3. It would avoid the exercise of eminent domain proceedings to acquire private land so the route can bypass the Kukui Heiau.
4. It preserves the current privacy of the properties along the beach that presently have beach access sidewalks between them for public access to the beach.
5. There are refreshment stands readily available in the Coconut Marketplace for bikers just off the area between the Marketplace and Kauai Sands on the way to the shore from Papaloa Road.

I respectfully request that these considerations be presented to the decision- making body before a final decision is reached. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Hugh A. Baird
 1763 Royal Oaks Dr N Apt 1-6
 Bradbury CA 91010

Cc Byran J. Baptiste, Mayor County of k\Kauai

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Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:13 AM
To: 'EMEII@aol.com'; 'projects@kimurainternational.com'
Cc: 'raj@arrowheadgallery.com'; 'robbj@iname.com'; 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Bike path

Aloha Ed,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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Subject: Bike path

I feel this would distroy the natural beauty of the area . As a vistor of the beech area I like seeing the Ocean all parts of the day, and having people walk by is differant than a freeway of __Bikes.

Ed Eaton
emeii@aol.com

Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:11 AM
To: 'GamyCJB@aol.com'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Bike path on Kauai

Aloha Carol,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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From: GamyCJB@aol.com [mailto:GamyCJB@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2004 3:01 PM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Subject: Bike path on Kauai

Mr. Kimura, I have just heard about constructing a bike path along the beach area of Papalooa Road. There has been a good walking path along much of that area now. I walk that area every day that I can. I would be quite insecure if this path is really for bikes too. A lot of the walkers are older than I am, (68), and are not as steady on their feet as I am. And I am the concerned one walking where bikes would be too. I would like to see the path on Papalooa, thru the marketplace and behind the condos in front of the field and in front of the Coconut Coast Hotel leaving the existing walkway for walkers and no bikers. Thank you. Carol Berg 410 Papalooa Road, #112.

Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:11 AM
To: 'Ron Tulimieri'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Bike path Wailua Bay to Coconut Market Place

Aloha Ron,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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From: Ron Tulimieri [mailto:ron@medware.org]
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2004 12:56 PM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Subject: Bike path Wailua Bay to Coconut Market Place

My wife and I have been to Kauai 24 times over the past 20 years. We prefer staying on the East Coast of the island since it is convenient to a number of our favorite sites. It seems to us that the visitors to these establishments tend to be fairly elderly or folks with young families. There is a limited amount of space in places like Lankai and Lae nani to introduce a bike path. At Lae nani there is only about a 40 foot distance between the pool and the ocean and at Lanikai the distance is even less. From years of experience we know that there is a lot of foot traffic on the grounds from residents of the condos and the many locals who come to enjoy the beach. A bike path smack in the middle of these establishments would most certainly destroy the serenity that guests and locals at these places have come to enjoy. Exercise can be enjoyed anywhere. The peace and quiet of a relaxing day at the beach is a gift worth preserving.

I also feel that there is a safety factor. The space for pedestrians and bikers is very limited. The grounds at Lae nani and Lanikai are frequently used for an impromptu game of football or frisbee. What will happen the first time an elderly person or a young toddler is hit by a bicycle because one or both of them was distracted? Are you prepared to deal with the inevitable lawsuit that will accompany such accidents?

For these reasons we would urge you to find an alternative route around properties where space is limited. Papaloa Road itself affords scenic views of Sleeping Giant. Why not have the bike path there?

Thank you for your consideration.

Ron Tulimieri
 768 Faxon Avenue
 San Francisco, CA 94112

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Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:10 AM
To: 'poobah'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Wailua Bay Bike Path

Aloha William,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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From: poobah [mailto:poobah88@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, March 20, 2004 7:40 PM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Cc: poobah88@yahoo.com
Subject: Wailua Bay Bike Path

Dear Mr. Kimura,

My name is William Jenks, I am the owner of unit 206 at the Wailua Bay View. I write to you today to ask you consider alternate routes for the Wailua Bay bike path. I welcome a bike path for all to enjoy, however if the the bike path went in front of our building at such a close range I feel it would destroy that which many of us consider to be our heiau here in paradise.

Please consider an alternate route, perhaps down Papaloa Rd. instead of directly in front of our building.

Thank you for putting yourself in our shoes.

Mahalo nui loa,

William Jenks
poobah88@yahoo.com

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Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:09 AM
To: 'Kiggins'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Kauai Bike Path

Aloha Ron and Bonnie,

Thank you for taking the time to attend the March 10 meeting and to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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From: Kiggins [mailto:kiggins@teleport.com]
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To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Subject: Kauai Bike Path

March 20, 2004

Mr. Glenn Kimura
Kimura International

Dear Mr. Kimura,

We attended the March 10, 2004 meeting regarding the proposed Path routes for Papalooa Road section. The meeting was both informational and well facilitated.

We have enjoyed the Path at Kamalani to Lydegate. And will support the continuation of that Path along Papalooa Road from the old Sea Shell Restaurant continuing up to Kauai Sands Hotel.

Our thoughts for support of the Path along the Papalooa route take into consideration three issues. One, the over all cost to build would logically seem to be less. Two, the long term maintenance and security of the Papalooa Road route would be easier to access and perhaps would require fewer future tax dollars for Kauai residents to support. Three, the ascetics of the area would remain as they currently are, natural and unencumbered. Visitors and residents alike will still be able to enjoy the area as they now do.

We would very much like to be included in receiving your environmental assessment once it has been compiled.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond and have our comments taken into consideration.

Sincerely,

Ron and Bonnie Kiggins, #233
410 Papalooa Rd

Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 11:08 AM
To: 'Gretchen Curlander'
Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Bike Path From Wailua Bay to Coconut Marketplace

Aloha Paul and Gretchen,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment

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From: Gretchen Curlander [mailto:gcurlander@insightbb.com]
Sent: Saturday, March 20, 2004 6:43 AM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Cc: chlatour@hotmail.com
Subject: Bike Path From Wailua Bay to Coconut Marketplace

Dear Mr. Kimura,

While we generally support all efforts to create bikepaths on Kauai, we are very concerned about the possibility of a bikepath along the beachfront from Wailua Bay to Coconut Marketplace. We believe that the topography of this shoreline along with the extremely close proximity of condominiums, pools, and the presence of the heiau make it an inappropriate route for a bikepath. In addition to the very negative impact of increased traffic and exposure to the heiau, such traffic would be unacceptable for the monk seals that often use the beach in front of Lae Nani as a resting place. The fact that the path would be physically up against existing structures dramatically reduces the natural beauty that any user would otherwise enjoy. We also believe that such a path through these tight surroundings would detract from the overall beauty and value of the area, rather than enhancing it.

We would suggest the utilization of the short distance along Papalooa Road as an alternative to this stretch of beach. It would be a very short detour away from the shoreline, but would be a low cost solution to this problem. Thank you for considering our input.

Sincerely,

Paul and Gretchen Curlander
#532
410 Papalooa Road
Kapaa, HI 96746

Nancy Nishikawa

From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 4:25 PM
To: 'Rose Anne Jones'
Cc: 'Robb Jones'; 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Proposed Bike Path north of Wailua River

Aloha Rose Ann and Robb,

Thank you for taking the time to send us your comments about the proposed bike/pedestrian path. We're currently working on the draft environmental assessment, a document that will evaluate and disclose the environmental, social, and economic impacts of all alternatives. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft EA.

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From: Rose Anne Jones [mailto:raj@arrowheadgallery.com]
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 2:11 PM
To: projects@kimurainternational.com
Cc: Robb Jones
Subject: Proposed Bike Path north of Wailua River

Aloha,

My husband, Robb Jones, and I own a condo at Lae Nani. We recently were informed about the bike/pedestrian path that is proposed along the Wailua Bay. We understand that under the original 1999 proposal, this pathway followed Papalooa Road and then cut back to the beach north of Lae Nani.

We think that the pedestrian/ bike path is a great idea! It will encourage people to get out and enjoy Kauai's magnificent natural sights.

We **ARE** concerned that the original proposal was changed from a route along Papalooa Road to a route along the beach in front of the Papalooa Road resorts entailing a substantial increase in cost! Because of the terrain and limited beach areas, this proposal would be a difficult and expensive undertaking to build and to maintain properly.

We have several concerns about this "New" routing proposal:

- Monk Seals often rest on the beach along the Wailua Bay in front of these resorts--their resting spots would be right in the pathway of bikes and pedestrians. We are concerned for the protection of this endangered species.

- The Kukui Heiau is a fragile area--sacred to the ancient Hawaiians. We are concerned that a large increase of traffic and pedestrians may disturb this sacred area or disturb the shearwood birds that nest there.
 - Numerous cattle egret birds make their habitat in this area. Will they be protected?
 - The beach is so narrow in front of some of these resorts that we feel your proposed plan will exacerbate a problem that the County of Kauai is already fighting---that of beach erosion and encroachment.
 - The additional cost of the route along this stretch of beach is prohibitive.
- We believe there are many strong reasons to route the bike path along Papalooa Road:
- The cost savings of building and maintaining the bike path on Papalooa Road vs the rocky beach front is substantial and alone would justify this route!
 - No obstructions to the monk seals' chosen resting spots; therefore allowing them to peacefully enjoy their chosen habitat.
 - There are other magnificent views on Kauai besides the ocean....Sleeping Giant is a Kauai landmark that one can't always see from the beach side.
 - The route along Papalooa Road could be enhanced with beautiful plantings and flowers to make it a park-like setting for the pathway.

We urge you to reconsider your plans. We live in Colorado and would have attended your previous planning meetings to voice our opinions if we could have and if we had been notified of discussions about this proposal.

We fully support the pedestrian/bike path idea in general. Please return to the original 1999 proposal that takes advantage of the tranquil short distance along Papalooa Road and allows users of the path to safely enjoy beautiful views of Kauai mountains and Sleeping Giant.

The monk seals will also thank you!

Sincerely,

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From: Nancy Nishikawa [nnishikawa@kimurainternational.com]
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Cc: 'dhaigh@kauaigov.com'; 'HERB LEE'
Subject: RE: Bike path

Aloha Doris,

Thank you for taking the time to attend the March 10 meeting and to send us your comments. I want to assure you that your viewpoints will be considered as we prepare the draft environmental assessment.

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Subject: Fwd: Bike path

Aloha Sir: I attended the meeting on March 10 at the Kapaa school which was an informational meeting for residents and property owners. Because I own property along Papalooa Cove I am concerned about two of the proposals presented. I understand the desire to build the path oceanside for the enjoyment of those using the path, however there does not seem to be any consideration given to the property owners in this area. Is it fair for those residents to lose their privacy, their security, and their enjoyment of their own property, when the path could just as well return to Papalooa Road at the end of the Kauai Sands property? To interfere with the KUKIUI HEIAU property or to cross our property, seizing it by eminent domain, is completely unnecessary and unjust.

I question whether the people of Kauai and especially the residents of Kapaa are willing to accept this action since there has been no attempt to poll those directly involved. I would suggest that this should have been the first step in determining the location of this bike path. Since it was not done early on--it might be worth considering at this time.

I believe another consideration should be of the environmental impact this path will have on the Monk Seal and Turtle population who make their home in this area. The seals are an endangered and protected species who would be directly affected by increased activity along this shore. It would be difficult to rope off the desired area for their comfort and security.

The other concern I have is the additional cost involved in selecting the oceanside route. There is little doubt that it would be more costly to build the path along the irregular coastline. It would also be more difficult to get help to any victim involved in an accident or medical emergency. Security and maintenance are also issues to consider in making the route selection.

I believe, as a long time owner at Lae nani, I am aware of, and voice the opinions and concerns of the owners of property along this coastline. I trust much thought will be given in making the final decision.

Respectively,
 Doris Ashe, Unit 332 Lae nani.

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Aloha,

A few days ago I stood on the lovely lawn fronting the Kapaa Sands Resort, in Wailua, where I've been employed for over 13 years. I was trying to visualize a 10 foot wide path running just feet from our buildings, with bike riders, skate boarders and joggers running by.

I've tried to visualize what had to be done to construct this path. What happened to the green sea turtles, where did they go? Where are the monk seals going to rest?

How about the local families and fishermen that frequent Papaloa cove? Where are they going now?

The Heiau fronting Lae nani! What will the impact be on these sacred grounds?

These questions are valid, and there are serious grounds for my worries.

There is a very simple solution. Put the path along Papaloa Road. Eliminate the threat to our delicate environment, save a great deal of money, and still have a wonderful path for all to enjoy.

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Apologies for the long hand!

March 22, 2004

Dear Mr. Kimura,

We have just learned of the "Bike/Walking Path" project which might run down the beach front side of various properties on Papaloa Road, Kapaa.

As original owners of a condo at Lae nani, we feel there are several valid reasons not to have this path go down the beach-front side but to use Papaloa Road as a segment of this path, thereby avoiding any disturbance of the sacred Kukui Heiau. The existing beach access path just NE(?) of Lae nani could easily widened to the extent necessary.

First and perhaps of most significance to the County is that assessed valuations of these properties would have to be lowered if the desirability of these properties is reduced in any way.

The County has just raised our 2004 property assessments by \$116,100. Since, according to the property assessment Notice Statement: "assessment valuation is based on a market value price a willing buyer will pay for fee simple ownership" (of a certain property), thus any obvious change of property desirability, in the eyes of a prospective buyer,

would have to trigger a County action to reduce assessed valuation and subsequently taxes based on the perceived reduced values in the eyes of prospective buyers.

Since our 2003 taxes of \$1861 per year were based on assessed valuation ~~of~~ of \$255,800.; at an assessed valuation for 2004 of \$371,900. our taxes are likely to rise by about \$800. per year, to about \$2661. p/yr. Probably all adjoining residential properties will have similar increases.

We feel that "The Path" along the beachfronts would decrease desirability of these properties, thus causing the County to have to reduce land assessments.

Secondly: The construction costs of a path along the beach front would surely exceed those of the costs of using Papaloa Rd. as a segment of this path.

Thirdly: There is a security consideration for the properties since the path would go through an area that is far from the front offices and custodial staffs of the various properties. Most properties have already had instances of trespassings, break-ins, attempted

break-ins, and thefts. Also, would the County hold the properties harmless for accidents occurring along the path and spilling off the path?

Fourth: La nani is located on a flood plane and both hurricanes caused severe flood damage up to half the property.

Fifth There are environmental considerations regarding sea animals and birds who use the small beach areas.

Sixth Personal hygiene matter such as toilets, drinking water etc. The nearby Coconut marketplace and Kini papo shopping center would be ideal places for a stop along the path.

Please use your influence to "steer" the Bike/Walking path down Papaloa Road rather than down the beach front.

Most sincerely

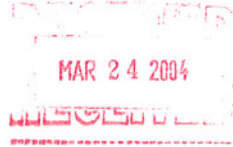
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RE: LYDGATE PARK-KAPA'A BIKE PATH

Dear Mr. Kimura:

We have recently been advised that there is a proposed bike route that has a tentative plan to parallel the Papalaoa Cove route. The opportunity to have a public bike/walking path that covers several miles is a wonderful option for residents of the island of Kaua'i, as well as our many guests.

As a real estate developer myself, I believe I understand the intricacies, complications and expense of such a task. I have read many of the concerns of taking the path to the beachfront location, all valid and worthy of consideration. The only additional concern I'd like to voice, is that of expense to the State of Hawaii. In order to take the bike path on the makai side of Papalaoa road, several imperative issues would add significant cost. Namely, the seizing of private property, by eminent domain, given the unlikelihood of a land swap. Eminent domain would add additional cost in the thousands for legal fees. If it were demonstrated that there would be a significant loss of value to the oceanfront condos, (perhaps 10% of their value), you would have an additional several million dollar cost. Additionally, the practicality of actually "constructing" the bike path over fairly inaccessible terrain, not to mention the difficulty involved using the proper equipment in the limited space available for such construction and the ongoing management of the path.

From my personal experience standpoint, I can see the widening of Papalaoa Road, with perhaps a short (two foot high) lava rock wall, to enhance and protect the bike path from any traffic on Papalaoa Road. I believe direct access to the Coconut Plantation Shopping center, as well as Kinipopo shopping area, would help reduce traffic. Anything that can be done to keep cars off the road would be welcomed. Bike racks could be provided at each center as I'm sure bikers would welcome a cold drink and refreshment at these stops.

Over my 30 years in development, I have had many issues with easements, property lines, zoning and engineering. From my overview of the bike path, I feel the best use of State money would be by the widening and enhancement of Papalaoa Road. The continuation of the makai path could begin with access through the north side of the Kauai Sands resort.

Thank you for your time and consideration of these issues that I felt necessary to speak about, as I am unable to attend your scheduled meeting in June. I know it is a difficult task to please everyone, and I appreciate your efforts to find the most advantageous solution for all concerned.

Sincerely,

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President, Equity Directions

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