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**Subject:** Development of Maui

Aloha, My name is April Colpas and I have been a resident of Maui for almost 16 years. I have visited family here since I was a child and have seen many changes both good and negativity effecting this beautiful sacred Island. I have major concerns about the development and think so much has already negatively effect the Ocean, the beaches, and the surrounding land. Any more building especially hotels, Timeshares take away from the quality of life for the residents and locals alike. Short term rentals drive up the price of living and many Hawaiians or locals have had to result in moving off island or homelessness.

Our roads can not sustain the amount of cars on the road, it takes away the quality of life for everyone who spends thousands of dollars on their dream vacation Or residents who have busy life's. My 12 year old goes to school in Wailuku, I'm a Lahaina resident. Adding more structures only adds more problems. I think spending more on supporting the population of full time residents or locals to make sure they have all the resources available prior to spending on infrastructure or roads. Having new people daily driving wreck less through neighborhoods to get to their illegal Air BNB.. if higher fines were given, wouldn't that bring in more money?

These illegal rentals take away from the residents. Let's fix the homeless crises by changing our housing crisis. We're getting bought out of paradise. Make insane fees for short term rentals, Illegals and out of state buyers. Sustain the people of the land first and foremost.

Where I reside, there are 4 buildings, one is old and only full time residents live, families, single adults, people who pay taxes and spend money circulating our local economy. Then the 3 new buildings on the opposite end, have a few full time residents, families with small children. Then you have the part time residents who come in the winter to hide from their snow storms and all they do since they are retired is complain about the full time residents ruining their vacation retirement and they only want peace and quiet at the pool. They want to change everything and complain. This is not ok, this is very common amongst associations in rentals. These are too high to purchase for locals who work full time and 2-3 jobs at that, mostly out of states can afford it and complain about everything. Is this really what we want to support ? Some of these owners, rent out while they are gone illegally OR don't but only live here 2 weeks out of the year, when a full time resident could be contributing to our economy instead.

Kaanapali beach for instant, the water has been so brown and full of debris, due to the high tides and hotel walls being washed away. I went swimming and my hair was full of dirt and wash away from the pathway. Tourist don't want to spend money to come swim in junk staph bacteria infested waters due to this. Some of the most beautiful quiet beaches don't even exist anymore Kaanapali because now, they are all hotels. Enough is enough. Let's focus on the full time residents. Mahalo for your time,

April Colpas