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Wendy,

The hearing went smoothly - very civil. All commenters were on the same side of the issue - no injection or at least less injection over time with more stringent stds. We have not yet made any final decisions. The meeting with the Mayor and her staff also went pretty well. The Mayor is sensitive to the coral reef decline, but does not see the science (linking the problems to the injection wells) as being "definitive." Cost issues of doing anything differently are paramount for the County, and with limited monies they want to be certain they are spending it most wisely to address the issues they face - minimizing spills, reducing runoff impacts, addressing unsewered areas, and the injection wells. In later discussions with Dave Taylor, he expressed some surprise that you are not still supportive of the "homeowners" study that was done. We all thought it would be good to have a discussion about what has changed since that study was done, and how your current view differs from the conclusions from that study.

My plans are to be in Hawaii the week of Dec 8, and I was hoping to attend the first half of day one of the workshop to hear the presentations and discussions on the existing state of the science. If you could get my name on the list, that would be terrific. Also, when I spoke to Cheryl Okuma, she was not aware of the workshop, but she too would benefit from sitting in that first day (or Dave Taylor, maybe). If I can attend the morning of the 9th, I'd fly directly into Maui on the 8th, and that afternoon would be a potential time to meet with the County per the above discussion - if you are there and available. Unfortunately, it will just be me travelling out this time. I'll be flying back to Oahu Tuesday night to be at DOH Wed morning.

Talk to you soon.
David
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David and Nancy,

I just returned from annual leave and wondered how you think the Lahaina hearing and meetings with County went. Have you made decisions about EPA options?

I also wanted to check on your plans for December. The invite list is

being finalized for the workshop on Maui with scientists for Dec. 9-10. If you want to attend, I will work to get your names on the list.

Wendy

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