

Aloha Chairs Rhoads and Gabbard,

My Name is Desiree Hikuroa and I am testifying in support of SCR 88 / SR 34 and HCR 194 / HR 122 because I have personally been affected by the poor water quality of Pokai Bay. As a child, I would play in the shore while my mother would canoe paddle. I would end up with unusual rashes on my chest that were unexplainable. One day we showed up at the beach, and there were piles of dead file fish and other trigger fish all along the shore. These phenomenal events have led me to not want to take my own child to Pokai Bay.

As a fisherwoman, I am aware that fishermen/woman will discard unwanted parts of their catch into the ocean right in front of the harbor. That, coupled with the constant flow of marine traffic and canal runoff leads, and unexplainable wounds lead me to believe that there are unusually high amounts of bacteria that pose a risk to our community. Please consider testing various parts of the bay for bacteria and other contaminants that may pose a risk.

Mahalo for your consideration,

Desiree



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Aloha!

We support SCR 88 / SR 34 and HCR 194 / HR 122 to protect the water quality at Pokai Bay using help from the Army Corps of Engineers. The breakwater was installed when Pokai Bay was the only outlet for fishing vessels on West O'ahu. Since the construction of the Waianae Boat Harbor has made the Pokai Bay obsolete for boat launch, the breakwater can either be modified with flow through tunnels or simply removed so that good water quality can be restored to the stagnant bay where so many unsuspecting swimmers and surfers are affected.

Isn't it more prudent for the State to be proactive to this problem rather than spend the same or more money on lawsuits in the future?

Mahalo for your time.

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