



HAWAII CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

In Support of SCR109/SR115

Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment

Date: Wednesday, March 29, 2023

Time: 1:01 PM

Place: Conference Room 224

Aloha Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Richards, and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association (HCIA) appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony **in support of SCR109/SR115**, which urges the Department of Agriculture to designate Kunia, Leilehua Plateau, and Poamoho as the Central Oahu Agricultural Corridor and to establish a list prioritizing potential agricultural infrastructure improvement projects that would provide the most value to the state.

With the state's objective to double local food production by 2030, creating the Central Oahu Agricultural Corridor and prioritizing infrastructure improvement projects could be valuable steps toward that goal. This initiative would have positive short-term and long-term impacts, and as companies with a vested interest in Central Oahu agriculture, we support this resolution.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and we urge you to pass this measure.

The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association is a Hawaii-based non-profit organization that promotes modern agriculture to help farmers and communities succeed. Through education, collaboration, and advocacy, we work to ensure a safe and sustainable food supply, support responsible farming practices, and build a healthy economy.

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Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:52:15 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brian Miyamoto	Testifying for Hawaii Farm Bureau	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

No Farms No Food

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Submitted on: 3/23/2023 12:59:22 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mark Koller	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Water and Land Committee,

I am a resident of Oahu and I do not support SCR 115 / SR 109.

I am a recreational boater and do not support a complete ban on recreational boating in Marine Life Conservation Districts. The recent yacht grounding in Honolua should not be used to penalize all recreational boaters. Appropriate actions and penalties should be in place for those breaking the rules. -Not a blanket rule that bans boating access for everyone.

Respectfully,

Mark Koller