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City and County of Honolulu
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January 11, 2010

Honorable Mufi Hannemann
Mayor, City and County of Honolulu
Honolulu Hale
530 South King Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mayor Hannemann:

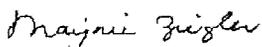
Aloha, and Happy New Year. I am writing on behalf of the City's Clean Water and Natural Lands (CLWNL) Commission. The Commission understands you may have some concerns about the CWNL Fund and the CWNL Commission. We are open to hearing those concerns and identifying possible solutions with the administration and the City Council.

In the mean time, we request an update on the status of the projects and release of funds by your administration from the 2008-2009 CWNL funding cycle. Six projects were recommended by the CWNL Commission for funding in this cycle, and four of the six projects were approved by the City Council and included in the budget for fiscal year 2008-09. However, we understand that funds may not have been released yet for some of those projects. We would appreciate an update on the release of funds for all four projects that were approved by the City Council and included in the approved budget for fiscal year 2008-09.

In a related matter, on November 20, 2009, the CWNL Commission recommended that one project, Fong Plantation proposed by The Trust for Public Lands, be funded for the 2009-2010 CWNL funding cycle. However, at the request of The Trust for Public Lands, the CWNL Commission is also holding its recommendation to the City Council pending a response from your administration regarding your concerns about the CWNL Fund and Commission, and the status of the release of the funds for the previous 2008-09 funding cycle.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at 593-0255 or mz@conservehi.org. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Marjorie Ziegler, Chair
Clean Water and Natural Lands Commission

c: Chair Todd Apo and Members of the Honolulu City Council
Kirk Caldwell