

# PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Council of the County of Maui

## Meeting Agenda

March 12, 2008

9:00 a.m.

Council Chamber, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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### GENETIC MODIFICATION OF TARO

#### DESCRIPTION:

The Committee is in receipt of the following:

1. County Communication No. 08-45, from Councilmember Bill Kauakea Medeiros, relating to the matter of the genetic modification of taro.
2. Correspondence dated March 4, 2008, from PWF Co-Chair Bill Kauakea Medeiros, transmitting a revised draft resolution entitled "URGING SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL NO. 958, RELATING TO GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS". The purpose of the revised draft resolution is to urge the Legislature to support Senate Bill No. 958, which will impose a ten-year moratorium on developing, testing, propagating, cultivating, growing, and raising genetically-engineered taro in the State.

#### STATUS:

The Committee may consider whether to recommend adoption of the revised draft resolution, with or without further revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication No. 08-45 and other related action.

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**PWF-68                    PROHIBITING THE USE OF NON-BIODEGRADABLE PLASTIC BAGS**

**DESCRIPTION:**    The Committee is in receipt of the following:

1. County Communication No. 07-232, from Councilmember Michael J. Molina, transmitting a draft bill prohibiting certain businesses from providing non-biodegradable plastic bags and requiring the use of environmentally-preferred alternatives.
2. Correspondence dated November 6, 2007, from Councilmember Michael J. Molina, transmitting correspondence, dated November 6, 2007, from the Department of the Corporation Counsel, transmitting a revised proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 20.18, MAUI COUNTY CODE, PERTAINING TO PLASTIC BAG REDUCTION". The purpose of the proposed bill is to prohibit certain businesses from providing non-biodegradable plastic bags and requiring the use of environmentally-preferred alternatives.

**STATUS:**            The Committee may discuss policy issues relating to the use of non-biodegradable plastic bags, and may receive short presentations on the matter from a panel of interested parties, but no legislative action will be taken.

**PWF-71                    MAUI LANI PROJECT DISTRICT IMPACT ON KAINANI STREET TRAFFIC**

**DESCRIPTION:**    The Committee is in receipt of County Communication No. 08-64, from the Council Chair, relating to the matter of residential issues and concerns regarding the Maui Lani Project District, specifically the traffic situation on Kainani Street.

**STATUS:**            The Committee may discuss policy issues relating to the concerns regarding traffic on Kainani Street. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication No. 08-064 and other related action.