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RE: Land Fund

Dear Commissioners:

Hawaii Island is cherished by all because of the rural nature of the island. All efforts should be made to keep as much land as possible in an undeveloped state.

Please reinstate the full 2% to the Land Fund. This fund can be used to leverage matching funds from other funding sources to expand the potential to acquire conservation acreage. This fund money should be used only for land acquisition and not park maintenance.

This fund and it should be preserved in the form that was approved by the voters of Hawaii County. Thank you for your consideration.

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