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Environmental Management Commission

Re: Agenda item VII-1

I've long been a proponent for a greener Hawai'i, and here is an opportunity to vastly improve our solid waste problem.

I urge you to recommend that the county council funds a facilitator to organize meetings with stakeholders before the release of the Request for Applications (fall). Waiting until the RFA comes may prevent stakeholders from coordinating a plan.

We need to get public and private entities working together toward improving our systems, as the EPA will prioritize funding those collaborative efforts. (Zero Waste Hawaii is doing a fabulous job of working toward a lighter load on our landfills!)

If you folks do not have the capacity to do the grant writing on this, I urge you to recommend that the county fund a grant writer to make this happen.

Thank you for your consideration.

Aloha,
Kris

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