



**PUAKŌ FOR  
REEFS**

# A Community Dedicated to Saving Puakō Reef

Return the reef to its historic 70% coral coverage from its existing 7%.

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## TESTIMONY TO HAWAII COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

RE: AGENDA ITEM VI 1. The EMC will consider whether to adopt a letter entitled *Recommendation to use the Puakō Cesspool Conversion Project as a model for cesspool conversion*. The letter recommends that DEM take the Puakō Community proposal to the Cesspool Task Force to be used as a model for scalable cesspool conversion.

Hello Commissioners,

Attached is a collection of documents, with a summary at the beginning, with information detailing why a wastewater collection line in Puakō would be a wonderful pilot project for the County.

We hope you will seriously consider formally supporting this project with the Cesspool Task Force.

Sincerely,

Barbara Bell for Puakō for Reefs Board members and its many volunteers

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