



**THE SHAKA  
MOVEMENT**

**Stop Maui County from destroying the  
Clean Water Act!  
Come to the Maui County building  
Thursday, May 23rd at 10 am**



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**Come to The County Governance,  
Ethics, and Transparency (GET)  
Committee meeting on the Lahaina  
wastewater injection well case.**

**8th floor of the  
County building in Wailuku.  
Thursday, May 23rd at 10 am**

**Please WEAR BLUE  
when you come.**

"Our unique and beautiful West Maui coral reefs, so essential to the health and survival of all marine life along the coast, have been under attack from the warming sea waters caused by climate change as well as by runoff and plastic pollution. One source of attack directly under our control is the release of treated sewage water from the **Lahaina Wastewater Reclamation Facility** through injection wells into the groundwater and from there into the ocean. Even after treatment, the water contains levels of nitrogen, phosphorous and other nutrients that stimulate algae growth and damage the coral reefs.

The County of Maui has spent millions of dollars litigating to continue releasing this processed wastewater into the ocean through the Lahaina Injection Wells without a permit. They have lost four times in the courts and are now going to the **Supreme Court**. A "win" there would gut the Clean Water Act and allow polluters everywhere to dump waste into the ocean as long as they do it indirectly."

- [Sierra Club Maui](#)

**The County Council is considering withdrawing from and settling this case.**



**No Testimony will be taken.  
We just need a strong show of Support.  
Let's settle this case, and help save the Ocean!**

"Four Hawai'i community groups, represented by Earthjustice, have filed suit under the federal Clean Water Act to stop Maui County from discharging wastewater into the ocean from its Lahaina treatment plant without a permit. Millions of gallons of wastewater injected into wells at the facility each day surface offshore of popular Kahekili Beach Park in West Maui, killing the coral reef and triggering outbreaks of invasive algae.

Maui County has been discharging partially-treated sewage into injection wells at the Lahaina wastewater treatment plant for 30 years, knowing full well that the wastewater would eventually reach the ocean, but has refused to apply for, much less comply with, the required federal wastewater discharge permit. Currently, three to five million gallons of wastewater are discharged into the wells each day."

- [Earthjustice](#)

Mahalo!

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