April 5, 2016

PeopleforBikes
c/o Zoe Kircos, Grants Manager
1966 13th St. Suite 250
Boulder, CO 80302

Dear Ms. Zircos,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to offer my strong support of the Maui Bicycling League’s grant application to develop a detailed design and construction drawings of Phase I of the West Maui Greenway Project.

An alternative transportation path is badly needed on Maui where roads are not designed for multiple uses and shared by a high volume of local residents and tourists. The visitors are often unfamiliar with the roads and their rental vehicle creating even more of a very dangerous situation. West Maui, in particular, provides the fewest alternative routes for bicyclists and pedestrians. I believe more needs to be done to ensure a better experience for everyone.

Once completed, the West Maui Greenway Project will provide a much safer route for bikers and walkers to enjoy. It will enhance the local recreational and visitor experience.

Again, I strongly support the West Maui Greenway trail concept and look forward to working with the Hawaii State Department of Land and Natural Resources, the Maui Bicycling League and other community groups to make this concept a reality.

Sincerely,

Shan S. Tsutsui
Lieutenant Governor
State of Hawaii