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Aloha,

Who better to receive our concerns about the environmental harm to Maha`ulepu but Pam and Pierre Omidyar? Help us carry your concerns to them. Visit friendsofmahaulepu.org and sign FOM's Petition. A Federal District Judge, Ninth Circuit, Leslie Kobayashi and the presiding State Environmental Court Judge, Randal G. B. Valenciano, each found that Omidyar began construction/development of his proposed industrial dairy without proper permits, violating both the Clean Water Act and State Law. Despite their rulings, Omidyar's recent statements to the NY Times reveal a stubborn intent to proceed at Maha`ulepu. Why? No one outside his inner circle really knows.

So what can we do? You may have, or will receive a call from a survey company conducting a survey on behalf of Ulupono Initiative. The questions asked seem to be directed to inform the participant of "the many good Ulupono projects." At the same time the questioner asks how the participant feels about Ulupono's dairy planed for Maha`ulepu and other projects. When the call came to me it appeared the survey was intended to influence the participant in favor of Ulupono. Because the questions about the dairy were a significant part of the survey, we thought we should help the Omidyar's and give them a signed Petition. If you have any problem accessing the Petition from our website, here is a direct link:

<http://www.thepetitionsite.com/takeaction/846/839/450/>

Why are we so concerned? Yes it's the water that will be degraded but ["\(t\)he company also plans to introduce dung beetles to the property"](#) to help manage the massive amount of manure.

By all indications, it takes 4,848 dung beetles to bury 1 pound of dung in TWO hours. ONE dairy cow produces 90 lbs of manure daily. 90 lbs of manure times 699 cows (initial herd) equals 62,910 lbs of manure daily. Every TWO hours 5,242 lbs of manure is deposited, (4848 beetles per lb per 2 hours times 5,242 lbs of manure per 2 hours) requiring a mere 25.4 million dung beetles to manage the herds daily manure.

Dung beetles spread fecal pathogens (E. coli and salmonella) capable of transmission to urban communities, wildlife and companion animals. What effect would eating contaminated beetles have on free-range chickens, pigs or other native birds?

Dung beetles are not benign. Most dung beetles are strong fliers, Kaua'i may end up experiencing additional problems besides polluted water, soiled streams, poor ocean quality and acidic air from Omidyar's plan to spray bovine urine and feces over pastures.

The video below shares many of the other serious environmental harms from dairies. The video was recently released in New Zealand. It is set to music from Taylor Swift, but feel free to mute the video and just read the captions. Hit pause so you don't miss the critical facts from official New Zealand government sources and environmental scientists. One of the most compelling stats is that 70% of New Zealand's fresh water is no longer safe for human contact. When I began working with Friends of Maha`ulepu, 3.5 years ago, this stat was 60%. We must remain vigilant, [sign the Petition now!](#)

<https://vimeo.com/230518594>

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