

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Natural Resources
Washington, DC 20515

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Senator Chris Lee
Hawaii State Legislature
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 216
415 South Beretania St.
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Lee,

I am writing to thank you for appearing before the Committee on Natural Resources at our virtual legislative hearing H.R. 3764, the *Ocean-Based Climate Solutions Act of 2021*, and related bills: H.R. 660, H.R. 1415, H.R. 1689, H.R. 2750, H.R. 3160, H.R. 3228, H.R. 3692, H.R. 3748, H.R. 3817, H.R. 3864, H.R. 3892, and H.R. 3906, on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Your testimony was extremely helpful in defining the Committee's understanding of the issues.

While many questions were asked during the hearing, the Subcommittee has an additional question attached for your reply. Please provide your written responses to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife Policy Aide, Ms. Casey MacLean, no later than **Wednesday July 7, 2021**. Committee Rule 3(o) requires that responses be submitted within 10 business days of the hearing.

We appreciate your time and insight, and we remain grateful for your contribution to the Subcommittee's work. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. MacLean at (202) 875-0126.

Sincerely,



Raúl M. Grijalva
Chair
Committee on Natural Resources

Attachment: Questions for the Record from Rep. Sablan

Questions from Rep. Sablan for Senator Chris Lee, Hawaii State Legislature

1. Sea-level rise, storm surge, and other climate impacts are of utmost concern for Pacific island communities. How do programs in the Ocean-Based Climate Solutions Act better protect communities in places like Hawaii and the Northern Mariana Islands?