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### Hawaiian group opposes opinion about building

We are, Kuikalahiki, a Hawaiian student organization and disagree with Paul Lucas' version (Ka Leo, April 5) on the status of the Hawaiian studies (HWST) building. First of all, we want to clarify that Ho'okahe Wai Ho'oulu 'Aina (HWA) is not a student organization nor officially affiliated with the university in anyway. Although there are students who associate themselves with HWA, the leaders are graduates, several of whom

tractor source?

Sixth, Paul Lucas is confused in his analysis for he likens the construction of the HWST building to that of DOT's H-3. H-3 is a highway going through sacred sites in Halawa Valley. The HWST building is going to be built on the side of the lo'i. H-3 is a highway connecting two military bases. The HWST is going to educate students on Hawaiian history, culture and politics. These are not comparable situations, yet Lucas and other members of HWA continue to make this as well as other illogical arguments.

Seventh, Paul Lucas needs to realize that everyone in this world has political agendas, including himself and HWA members. Throughout this conflict, HWA has consistently depicted them-

yet she has maintained open communication with them through meetings and memorandums over the years. So what is HWA's hidden agenda?

Why does HWA "talk the talk" that they support the construction of the building, yet "walk the walk" through lawsuits to destroy its existence?

We are a Hawaiian student organization that formed after attending a debate between the GHS and HWA over the construction of the building. We heard both sides and made our decision to support the building. Everyone needs to inform themselves for there are sides of the issue. If you have any questions, call Kuikalahiki at CHS.

Kupa'a ma hope o ka 'aina me ka 'oia'i'o.

—Kuikalahiki