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**Dust Suppression - Calcium Chloride**

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Aloha Jeff,

I recognize it may be short notice to attempt to address this with you prior to the BOD meeting tonight. I'm unable to attend in person, but also would like to provide some owner input for your consideration of the use of calcium chloride as a dust suppressant on our roads.

Kari and Larry had mentioned at the last Finance Committee meeting that while calcium chloride may be a food safe substance, its use near crops may be cause for a farmer's organic certification to be denied or revoked. Considering the lots in the community are zoned AG, I believe this may be a huge concern for those of us who aim to generate income via organic produce sales. Organic inputs are not cheap, and the potential contamination of a crop to the point that it cannot be sold with an organic label could seriously affect the livelihood of our local farmers.

I'm curious what kind of plan is in place for ensuring runoff doesn't enter groundwater or drift onto properties adjacent to treated roadways. Will neighbors within a particular radius have the option to consent to this treatment?

As you are my district representative, I'd really like to encourage you to consider other options besides the use of more chemicals, "safe" or not, in our community.

I understand that the treatment currently costs \$300+ per frontage, per application. Is calcium chloride soluble? How often will it need to be applied? Would it be more cost effective to drop more gravel on roads every few years than calcium chloride every year (or possibly more often)?

What about the new water truck? Could it be more cost effective to hire an additional employee(s) to water the roads full time, when necessary?

I'd also like to encourage you, as well as other board members to reach out to your constituents to get their opinions on treatment with this chemical. Had I not been sitting on the Finance Committee, this could have easily slipped by without notice. I think the use of any chemical should be taken seriously and input of the community considered.

Mahalo for your consideration.

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