



O'AHU ISLAND PLAN

Beneficiary Participation Newsletter

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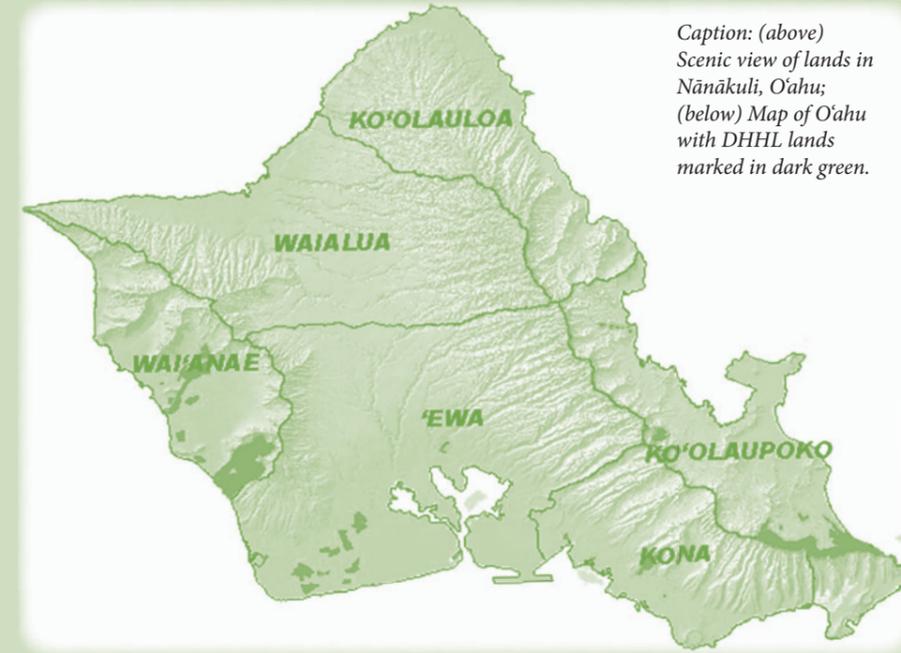
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The O'ahu Island Plan is being developed to provide recommendations for future uses of Hawaiian Home Lands (HHL) on the island of O'ahu. This planning effort is being undertaken to provide a sound basis for land use designations and appropriate land management strategies. Once completed and approved by the Hawaiian Homes Commission, the O'ahu Island Plan will be utilized as a guide to meet beneficiary and HHL needs over the next 20 years.

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) has a limited land base on O'ahu, which is why consultation with beneficiaries is a critical component of Island Plan development. We invite you to take part in planning the future of Hawaiian Home Lands here on O'ahu.



*Caption: (above)
Scenic view of lands in
Nānākuli, O'ahu;
(below) Map of O'ahu
with DHHL lands
marked in dark green.*



O'AHU BY THE NUMBERS

**TRUST LANDS
ON O'AHU**
6,726 Acres
(As of January 2012)

**O'AHU
BENEFICIARIES**
4,288 Lessees
4,228 Residential
60 Agricultural

13,368 Applicants
9,949 Residential
3,419 Agricultural
(As of June 30, 2012)

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Applicant Preference Survey

Surveys are due April 30, 2013. Surveys may be completed online or by mail. If you are completing the survey by mail, please be sure to post-mark by April 30, 2013.

Open House Meetings	Beneficiary Consultation Meetings
April 20, 2013 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Waipahu High School Cafeteria	April 20, 2013 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Waipahu High School Cafeteria
April 27, 2013 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Farrington High School Cafeteria	July 16, 2013 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Waipahu High School Cafeteria
May 4, 2013 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Kalaeo High School Cafeteria	July 17, 2013 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Farrington High School Cafeteria*
July 18, 2013 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Kalaeo High School Cafeteria	July 18, 2013 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Kalaeo High School Cafeteria

**Location subject to change with notice*

THE HAWAIIAN HOMESTEAD ACT OF 1920

Enacted by U.S. Congress in 1921

As we begin to layout the future of Hawaiian Home Lands on O'ahu, let us remember the foundation upon which our work must be built, and the vision and spirit of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act and our founder Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole.

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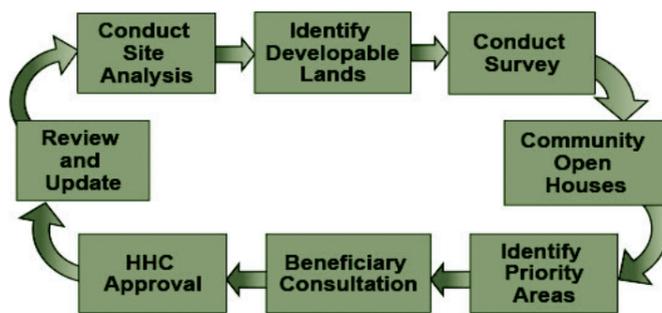
"The Congress of the United States and the State of Hawai'i declare that the policy of this Act is to enable native Hawaiians to return to their lands in order to fully support self-sufficiency for native Hawaiians and the self-determination of native Hawaiians in the administration of this Act, and the preservation of the values, traditions, and culture of native Hawaiians."

In 1919, Prince Kūhiō encouraged the U.S. government to adopt a policy of 'āina ho'opulapula or "restoration [of Native Hawaiians] through the land." Prince Kūhiō and Ter-

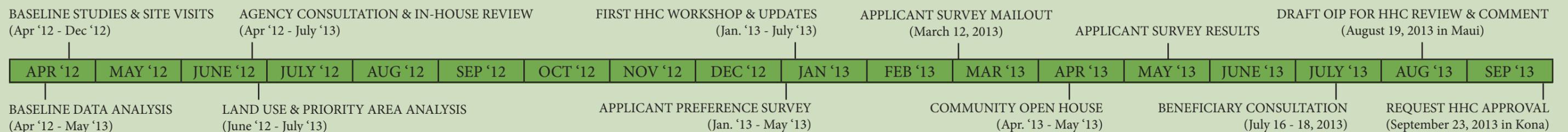
Specific legislation and amendments have refined the Act into the form it is in today. Our mission at the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands is to manage the Hawaiian Home Lands trust effectively to develop and deliver lands to native Hawaiians beneficiaries.

ISLAND PLAN PROCESS

The Island Planning process can seem daunting at first glance, but once you familiarize yourself with the various steps in the process you will be better able to participate. We are currently in the initial stages of gathering information from stakeholders through our Applicant Preference Survey as well as our Open House meetings. Stakeholders include our beneficiaries, both applicants and lessees, as well beneficiary organizations, DHHL staff, Honolulu City & County, state agencies, and other native Hawaiian organizations. We will use stakeholder feedback as well as the findings from our site analysis



to identify developable lands on O'ahu to identify priority areas and develop a draft of the O'ahu Island Plan. This draft OIP will then go out to beneficiaries for more feedback. The feedback from Beneficiary Consultation meetings will be used to develop an OIP draft to be taken to the Hawaiian Homes Commission (HHC) for approval. Once approved by the HHC, DHHL staff will implement the various plans, developments, and priority projects called for by stakeholders in the O'ahu Island Plan. See the graphic below for a timeline of the Island Plan Process.



BENEFICIARY PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

Applicant Survey

A survey of O'ahu Applicants is currently underway. Survey responses will help DHHL better understand current applicant needs and preferences as to what types of products should be offered for future awards. Surveys were mailed to O'ahu residential and agricultural applicants on March 12, 2013. If you did not receive a survey, please contact the DHHL Applications Branch at (808)620-9220 to ensure your applicant records are up to date. Surveys can also be completed online. If you prefer the online survey, please contact the DHHL Planning Office at (808)620-9519 for a link and password. Individual survey responses are strictly confidential. Surveys must be completed online or post-marked and returned by **Tuesday, April 30, 2013.**

Open House Meetings

These meetings will provide information regarding the planning process and provide opportunities to discuss issues and opportunities as they relate to the develop-

ment of the O'ahu Island Plan. Please join us for one of the three meetings scheduled at various O'ahu venues (*See back page for schedule and locations*). Drop in at your own convenience between 10:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. View information, ask questions, and share comments at your leisure with DHHL staff and consultants as you stop by the various stations. Short presentations will be given at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., with a question and answer period to follow.

Beneficiary Consultation Meetings

The information gathered from surveys and Open House meetings will be used to develop draft land use designations for DHHL's land holding on O'ahu, as well as a draft of the entire O'ahu Island Plan. These meetings will provide beneficiaries an opportunity to review, comment and provide feedback on both drafts before they are sent to Commission for review. Drafts will also be based on an analysis of land constraints, existing and proposed land uses in regional plans, and meetings with DHHL divisions, city and state agencies.