1. March 8, 2013 Beneficiary Consultation Meeting Notes and List of Participants

Anahola Renewable Energy Project <u>Beneficiary Consultation Meeting Notes</u> Anahola Clubhouse March 8, 2013 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Note: This document focuses on beneficiary issues and concerns. are focused on capturing the comments and concerns raised by beneficiaries.

- 1. Why does the benefit agreement only include AHHA and HCDC? What about other organizations? Beneficiaries are not represented by only 2 organizations.
- 2. The goal of the benefit agreement and this project should be for the whole community to benefit.
- 3. Why 2,000 acres? Why are you taking lands from the Hawaiians? How much land do you need? We're not benefiting from this project.
- 4. If we are not federally recognized, how does the Department have any authorities under the Hawai'i Revised Statutes?
- 5. There's a lot of water up mauka. Why are they going to take the water?
- 6. Green Energy Team (GET) presentation: GET has a 20 year Purchase Power Agreement with KIUC to produce energy by converting biomass to energy. DHHL needs to clear the albizia trees from the mauka lands in order to anything on those lands. The back part of the area is too steep for homestead development with grades of 15% or more. GET is seeking a General Lease for the term of 30-years. GET will clear the albizia trees and plant Eucalyptus trees, which will be harvested and replanted throughout the term of the lease. There are 267 acres of good agricultural land that will be cleared of the albizia and returned back to the Department for homesteading purposes within the next 5 years. The budget includes funds for clearing albizia and improving the roads. GET will pay lease rent to the Department at fair market value. GET will develop a Farm Plan for all lands involved. At the end, the Department will have cleared land. In addition, GET has been working with HCDC and AHHA on a community benefits agreement which includes payment of 2% of our gross revenue.
- 7. What does 2% of revenue represent? How much money is this?
- 8. The 2% goes to HCDC. The lease rent per acre goes to the Department. It will cost GET \$6.3M to clear the albizia and do the road improvements. The Department benefits from this because GET is paying for this work --it is money that the Department does not have to spend.
- 9. GET is proposing to plant Eucalyptus trees. This is a very dense wood. GET needs a 20 year lease because it will cost \$6.3M to clear the albizia and make the road improvements. The albizia has value, but not enough to offset the cost of the roads and clearing (\$6.3M), so the land has to be replanted. In replanting, the trees can be aligned in straight rows. This maximizes the use of the land and makes it easier and cheaper to harvest. It's a more efficient operation versus just clearing existing forested areas.
- 10. How are the beneficiaries being represented in this process?

- 11. We're hearing about you clearing trees, but now we're hearing about planting trees. The 2000 acres belong to the haumana from Anahola.
- 12. In 2008, I worked with KIUC to get a Power Purchase Agreement using cold fusion technology. I had investors and was negotiating with KIUC. When I was almost ready to close the deal, the economy bottomed-out and I lost the investors. If I revive this project, can I submit a proposal to the Department?
- 13. There are people in the community that can perform the same tasks (clearing albizia, rough road improvements, etc.)—why don't you give the community the opportunity to do it?
- 14. We need our water back.
- 15. The Department has identified 2 public hearings and then a decision-making meeting of the Commission. We all have to be there; we need the commissioners to hear our concerns.
- 16. What about the money? We don't have any information on this. Who in their right mind, would put up all this land, thousands of acres of land, and settle for 2%, while the other party gets 98%? Who thought this was a good idea? One thing for sure, 2% is a bad idea for the kanaka.
- 17. I didn't hear anything about environmental impacts. GET is proposing to plant eucalyptus trees, which are nitrogen-fixing plants which eventually will make our 'aina barren. I saw this happen in China. They had about 3 generations of planting, but after that the soil was barren. This is not a sustainable practice.
- 18. If you're looking at where the money is going and how the community benefits, then I would like to see the direct benefit of having a lower electric bill.
- 19. How did you arrive at 2%? What percent of these funds will go to fund the benefits agreement for the people?
- 20. There is injustice here. DHHL was offered the deal, but DHHL procrastinated, so while they sat on the project, GET and HCDC started working together. I support this project because DHHL has had this land for a long time and has not done anything with the mauka lands. Do you think DHHL is going to do anything with the lands now? There's so much to learn...they had this kulia program that you had to be trained and certified.
- 21. Section 204 of the HHCA says the Department can dispose of lands for public uses. HCDC is at the top of the diagram...what percentage of funds is being proposed by HCDC to fund the benefits agreement?
- 22. The HHC Act allows beneficiaries to have mercantile licenses to sustain yourselves...it's not just about a homestead award is not the only way the beneficiaries can benefit from the trust.
- 23. You have to watch out –renewable energy is being shoved down our throats. You have to watch out for IDG and Mililani Trask. She is going after our lands and does not represent Hawaiian organizations.
- 24. I am a member of AHHA and an Anahola lessee. These lands have been in the trust, but was leased to Amfac so the Hawaiians didn't have access to the lands. When the lease expired in 1998, the lands were brought back to the inventory of DHHL. We did 6 consultation meetings last year. We're pissed off that 1200 acres is unusable because it is covered with albizia trees. We decided we're not going to wait another 20 years for DHHL. A handout regarding the benefits agreement was passed out. What AHHA and HCDC demanded of GET is that they had to pay

- market value for rent. There had to be committee that oversees the project. They needed to fund the entire removal of the albizia trees (\$6M).
- 25. The land is for everyone here, not just HCDC/AHHA and their members. It is clear that the only ones making money on this deal is HCDC and AHHA.
- 26. Obviously lots of people don't want this. Maybe DHHL should survey the lessees.
- 27. If we don't want this, we have to let the Hawaiian Homes Commission know.
- 28. There are plenty of empty lots in Pi'ilani Mai Ke Kai. Maybe this agreement could build houses for our people.
- 29. We are a small community and have to stand together!
- 30. Why am I paying land taxes? Use the profit from the project to pay the land taxes so our children no need worry. It used to be \$25.00 and now it's going up to \$175.00. Why am I on Hawaiian Home Lands and paying taxes to the county???
- 31. Regarding the cement batch plant being located right next to our water well/tank—DHHL didn't let beneficiaries build houses by the water tank, but now DHHL is letting the concrete company use the land.
- 32. I'm proud of everyone coming out tonight. I want to see all of us benefit.
- 33. Why does GET have to truck the trees to Koloa? Why not develop our own resource?
- 34. I hired someone to cut my albizia trees and grinded it into mulch. I still have a lot of compost. Why do we have to buy fertilizers when we already have albizia that can be used for soil enhancement?
- 35. Eucalyptus trees will eventually take over the forest just as the albizia trees are taking it over now. But the Eucalyptus will create more problems because it is a hard wood...it will be harder to clear out.
- 36. Does OHA not have \$6.3M to invest in the people?
- 37. When are you going to stop disrespecting us? Plenty of Hawaiians need the land, but you give it to the non-Hawaiian.
- 38. The plantation was supposed to clean up the land. We have to blame ourselves for not participating.
- 39. If you understand the law, you see the corruption. The DHHL is doing stuff at the State level and not telling the federal government. Lands and money are being taken away.
- 40. We want the Hawaiian Homes Commission meeting (the public hearings and the decision-making meeting) to be held in Anahola.
- 41. If we are not federally recognized, how does DHHL have the authority to dispose of our land?
- 42. There is something about what you are so concerned about..because we all love Kauai and we all know how important our values and traditions are to all of us...for example, malama 'aina. It is so important for all us to maintain this shared kuleana to malama 'aina. I'm concerned about process and procedure. The beneficiaries...the people here in Anahola that stand to be affected the most, did not have appropriate opportunities for homesteaders to get together, to learn together, and

- to express their feelings. It is important that as you move forward, as people in charge, you need to proceed with transparency, clarity, and accountability.
- 43. The Ohana o Kaua'i is in support of Hawaiian use of the lands. There are lots of problems with the process.
- 44. Most of us were never put in the middle of the dialogue. I'm looking at the Anahola Development Plan..it's very solid..but we're deviating from the plan. I recommend that Eric re- think the proposal so you can see what the community wants. On Monday, there is a meeting with DHHL planners regarding agricultural land. What's going to happen when the moratorium on ag subdivisions is lifted? Who has had a general lease that's given it back to the Department? Give us \$6M to clear the albizia. This will help us to buy new equipment that would be used to help other homesteaders.
- 45. Water is a big issue, especially as it relates to farming and pastoral uses.
- 46. So the question is what can we do with the land? Give it to Hawaiians? How?
- 47. Sustainability—how do we make this happen?
- 48. Your voices can make change. The problem is that we don't know who has our voice. I thought AHHA represented us. I was an officer on the Board and was kicked out..so now we don't belong to AHHA.
- 49. I heard that a lot of the Uncles just signed up to the Anahola Farmers Association so that is a new situation that needs organizing.
- 50. AHHA and HCDC should be elected by all lessees in the community.
- 51. After the lease is pau, the end result will be cleared land—the problem is that it will be 30 years from now—and another generation will be dispossessed from their land. You're telling me to wait 30 years...which is the same thing as saying that I will never have the opportunity to homestead on these lands. You're telling me that the non-Hawaiian can go on the land right now, but the Hawaiian beneficiary that has been waiting on your list for many years has to wait even longer, to go on the land.
- 52. The community didn't know they could even think about this kind of development. If that's the case, come to think about it, I could use some land for the next 30 years...don't give our land to others.
- 53. We need food on our tables. There's pigs up mauka...that's food for us. The hunters need access to mauka areas for subsistence.

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BENEFICIARY CONSULTATION MEETING

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NUMBER		·
ATTENDING	FIRST NAME, LAST NAME	CITY
1	O. A.	Anahola
1	Kale Ah Loo	Anahola
1	Keone K. Ahlo	Anahola
2	Dan and Kanoe Ahuna	Kapa'a
1	Liberta Albao	Kapa'a
1	Jayne Alonzo	Kapa'a
1	Chris D. Angelo	Lihu'e
1	Marilyn Aniu	Anahola
1	Harold W. Ano	Anahola
1	Stephanie Ano	Anahola
1	Paul Apilado	Wailua
1	Makana Bacon	Kilauea
1	LaVerne Apana Bamach	Anahola
1	Dominic Barretto	Anahola
1	William Barretto	Kapa'a
1	Frank Barretto, Jr.	Kapa'a
. 2	Matt & Nora Bernabe	Kapa'a
1	Tad K. Blake	Koloa
1	Ted Blake	Hanalei
1	Joe Borden	Anahola
1	Joseph Borden III	Anahola
1	Jose Bulatao, Jr.	Kekaha
1	Ainoa Burgess	Kapa'a
1	F. Burgess	Wailua
1	Connie Burton	Anahola
1	Sylvia Cabe	Anahola
1	Kaala Clarke	Anahola
1	Manulele Clarke	Anahola
1	Shane Cobb-Adams	Anahola
1	Krystal Cole	
1	Deede Contrades	Anahola
1	Ginger Contrades	Anahola
1	La Contrades	Anahola

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1	Sheldon Costa	Anahola
1	Sherri Cummings	Anahola
2	David & Sandy DeFries	Anahola
1	Tiffany DeSilva	Kapa'a
1	Kahyah Eliyah	Hanalei
1	L. Haulani Fernandez	Anahola
1	LeeAnn Fernandez	Anahola
1	Pua Flores	Anahola
1	Frances Fu	Anahola
1	Kanani Kagawa Fu	Anahola
1	Troy Furugen	Kapa'a
1	Chava Greenlee Garcia	Kalaheo
2	Edean and Mollie Ray Gardner	Anahola
1	Elise Gavitt	Hanalei
1	Lebbe Getler	Kapa'a
1	Mascha Gugganig	Anahola
1	Wes Gusman	Kapa'a
1	Carolyn Gutierrez	Anahola
1	J. Puamana Guyang	Lawai
1	Tarey H	Kapa'a
1	Stu Hanchett	Kapa'a
1	Anuhea K. Herrod	Kapa'a
1	Fern Holland	Kapa'a
1	Canen Hookano	Kapa'a
1	Kahala Hoomanawanui	Anahola
1	Chris Hoy	Hanalei
1	C. Isabe	Lawai
1	Jonathan Jay	Kapa'a
1	Toni Kaaa	Anahola
1	Nelson Kaai	Kapa'a
1	Iwalani and Aulii Kaauwai-Herrod	Kapa'a
1	Shasteen Kahaunaele	Anahola
1	Allison Kaili	Anahola

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1	Annabelle Pa Kam	
1	Chris Kam	Anahola
1	Charlotte Kanehokai	Anahola
1	Billy Kaneholani	Anahola
2	Christopher and Shirley Ann L. Kauahi	Anahola
	Kamahalo Kauhane	Anahola
1	Pearl Kaukani	Anahola
2	Derek & Monica Kawakani	Kapa'a
3	Leland, Christy, and D. Keale	Anahola
1	Debra Kekaualua	Kapa'a
1	Ainsley Kelekoma	Anahola
2	Bruce and Leonora K. Kelekoma	Anahola
<u>-</u> 1	Franklin Kelekoma	Kapa'a
1	Kalen Kelekoma	Anahola
1	Patrick Kelekoma	Hanalei
1	Clay Kelekoma, Sr.	Anahola
1	Leina Kelley	Anahola
1	Nani Kelley	Anahola
	Erik Knutzen	Anahola
1	Debra Kualii	Anahola
1	Kipukai Kualii	Anahola
1	Sandra Kualii	Anahola
2	Benjamin & Kananaikahaku Kuhaulua	Anahola
1	Kuena Kuhaulua	Anahola
1	T. Kuhaulua	Anahola
1	Kani Kuleakeanaaina	Anahola
1	Henry Kupihea	Kealia
1	Tiana Laranio	Kapa'a
1	Gerardo Learnea	Kilauea
1	Stevie Locey	Anahola
1	Kaiulani Lovell	Anahola
2	Keala and Carol Lovell	Anahola
1	Darryl Low	Kapa'a

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1	Ryan Mackey	Lawai
1	Kuulei Mahinai-Ornellas	Anahola
1	Abe Makanui	Anahola
1	Reg D. Manaku	Anahola
1	Agnes Marti-Kini	Anahola
1	Namomi McCorriston	Anahola
1	Lavine McFarland	Kapa'a
1	Sherise Moniz	Kapa'a
1	Jerry Nakasone	Kapa'a
1	James K. K. Nizo	Anahola
. 1	Lizann Oga	Anahola
1	Jerry Ornellas	Kapa'a
1 .	Richard Ornellas	Anahola
2	Darlene and Kaimana Pa	Anahola
1	Kamana Pa	Anahola
1	Kekane Pa	Lawai
1	Elizabeth Pa Nakea	Honolulu
1	Elsie A. Pahia	Anahola
1	Kaipo Pavao	Kapa'a
1	Lorna Poe	Hanapepe
1	Kawika Rapozo	Anahola
2	Brandon and Reidon Rathbone	Kilauea
1	Tim Reis	Kapa'a
1	Robynne Reyes	Anahola
1	Amber Rivera	Anahola
1	Amberlynn Rivera	Kapa'a
4	Elua, Mary D, Trish, and Wenny Rivera	Anahola
1	Justin Rivera	Anahola
1	Frank Rivera Jr.	Anahola
1	Kimo G. Rosa	Anahola
1	Bill Rumaar	Anahola
1	Keopuhiwa Samul	Anahola
1	D. Kaliko Santos	Lawai

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1	Gilroy Yorkman	Lawai
1	Keisia Woodward	Anahola
1	Santus Wichimai	Anahola
1	Kealoha Wichimai	Anahola
1	Rogerlyn Wakinekona	Anahola
. 1	Marie Torio	Anahola
1	Jim Torio	Anahola
1	Kuuipo Thomas	
1	Kim K. Thomas	Anahola
1	Kaiona Thaxton	Anahola
1	Ken Taylor	Kapa'a
1	Jonathan Tay	Anahola
1	Ernie Tamashiro	Kapa'a
1	Melissa Sugai	Anahola
1	JoeAna A. Aki Sugai	Anahola
1	Joe Sugai	Lawai
1	Gail Spicuzza	Anahola
1	Faisha Solomon	Anahola
1	Wini Smith	Anahola
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