### **HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION**

## Public Hearings on the Proposed Kahikinui Wind Project

Paukukalo Community Center Wailuku, Maui Wednesday, July 29, 2015 • 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday, July 30, 2015 • 10:00 am - 12 noon

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# Hawaiian Homes Commission Public Hearing July 29 and July 30, 2015 Agenda

- I. Roll Call
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### **Format and Ground Rules**

## 1. Presentation of the Proposal

## 2. Answer Top Questions

- Turn in written questions (yellow half-sheet)
- See DHHL website for full list of questions and answers

## 3. Receive Testimony

- Sign up to testify (till 8:30 pm)
- Please limit oral testimony to 3 minutes

## **How to Submit Testimony**

- Oral testimonies at this public hearing
- Written comments may be handed in at this public hearing or mailed to:

DHHL Planning Office P. O. Box 1879 Honolulu, HI 96805

- Online through our website at dhhl.hawaii.gov
- Email at dhhl.planning@hawaii.gov

Please submit your comments by Friday, August 21, 2015

## Presentation on the Proposed Kahikinui Wind Project

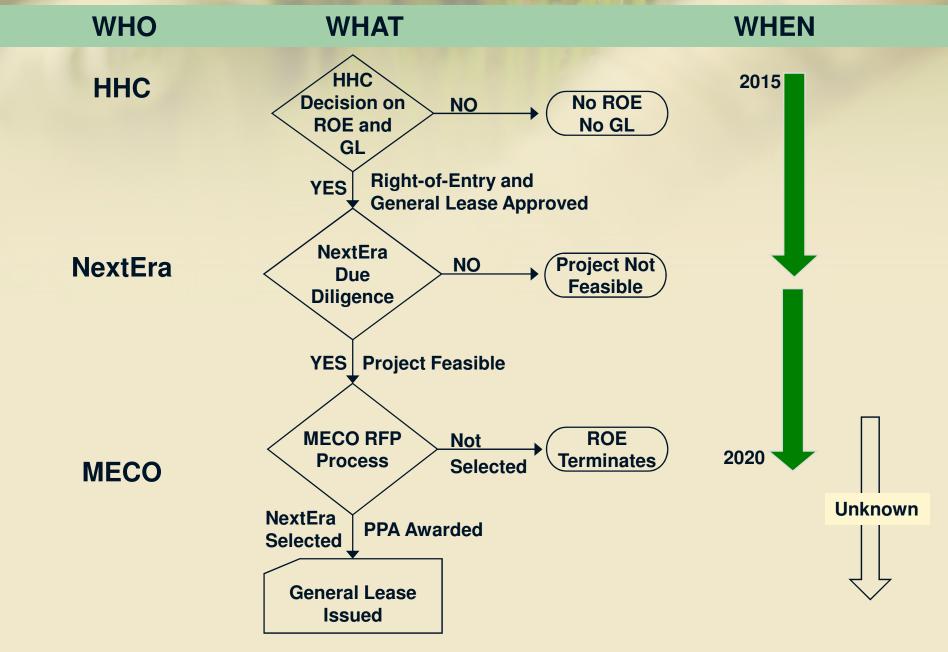


## **Chronology of Events—Wind Project**

Jan 13, 2013	HHC authorizes direct negotiations with potential renewable energy developers on Island of Maui
Jan 18, 2013	Legal notice requesting letters of interest to develop renewable energy projects at Kahikinui, Pulehunui, and Honokowai
Jan 31-Feb 4, 2013	Meetings held with Maui homestead leaders
Feb. 1, 2013	11 Letters of Interest to develop solar, wind, and biofuel/biomass projects submitted for Kahikinui; 4 were wind projects
Mar 20-21, <b>2013</b>	HHC holds 2 Public Hearings on the development of renewable energy projects at Kahikinui, Pulehunui, and Honokowai. Attendees did not support development at Pulehunui and Honokowai but were open to options at Kahikinui as long as it directly benefitted Kahikinui lessees.

## **Chronology of Events (continued)**

July 12, 2013	Public Utilities Commission (PUC) issues orders delaying HECO's issuance of RFPs for renewable energy; uncertainty delays selection of developers
Nov 12, 2014	Kahikinui wind proposals evaluated by staff and energy consultants—2 proposals were selected for further negotiations.
Jan 16, 2015	NextEra selected as the finalist for direct negotiations on the wind project
May 23, 2015	Beneficiary Consultation with Kahikinui community
July 13, 2015	Informational meeting for Maui beneficiaries to prepare for Public Hearings



## Why is DHHL supporting development of a wind energy project at Kahikinui?

- ✓ Excellent wind resource
- ✓ Provides a revenue stream for the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust
- ✓ Develops a renewable energy resource for Maui County
- ✓ Provides a financial resource for the impacted community at Kahikinui

## Why is DHHL supporting NextEra to develop a wind energy project at Kahikinui?

- ✓ Best offer in terms of Lease Rent
- ✓ Best offer of Community Benefits
- ✓ Project is NOT dependent on the undersea cable
- ✓ Project will produce up to 60MW which will be used to meet Maui Island demand
- ✓ Company was responsive to community recommendations to move turbines out of their view, to the Southeast side

## **Outline of Proposal**

Presented by Mr. Anthony Pedroni Director, Business Development NextEra Energy Resources, LLC

#### WHO:

 Boulevard Associates, a Delaware LLC, an affiliate of NextEra Energy, Inc., a Florida corporation

Note: NextEra Energy Resources, LLC submitted the original proposal in 2013.

#### WHO:

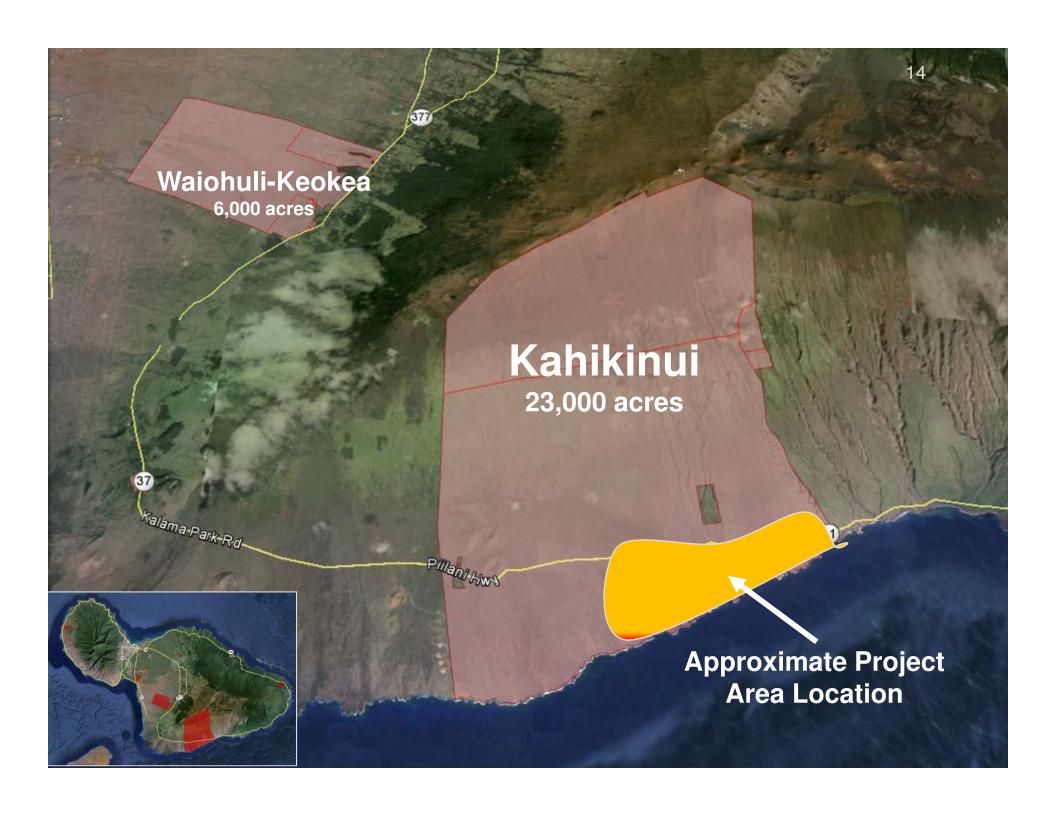
- NextEra Energy Resources is the largest generator of wind and solar projects in North America.
- Projects located in 25 states and Canada.
- 11,000 MW of wind and 780 MW of solar in operation

#### WHAT:

- Up to 60 MW wind energy project
- 20 wind turbines, each generating
   3MW of energy

#### WHERE:

- Southeastern portion of DHHL's land at Kahikinui (Manawainui ahupua'a)
- 500 acres to be used during construction and as buffer area
- Only 30 acres will ultimately be used for roads and wind turbine pads
- Issues related to water access, impact on homesteaders, as well as engineering viability affect specific siting.



- The exact location to be determined following due diligence work, including:
  - ✓ Cultural/archaeological studies to identify sensitive areas and sites to avoid
  - √ Wind analysis
  - ✓ Environmental studies
  - ✓ Engineering assessment, including geotechnical work to evaluate soil and bedrock conditions

#### HOW:

Note: Some financial information cannot be shared; otherwise, when MECO's RFP is issued, other bidders will have an unfair advantage knowing what NextEra offered DHHL

- Right-of-Entry (ROE) permit and General Lease being negotiated at the same time
- ROE permit at \$175,000/year for 3 years to conduct due diligence work.
  - ✓ 2 one-year options to extend at \$200,000/year

#### HOW:

- General Lease for 20 years, to begin when the wind project can deliver power to the power grid.
  - ✓ Option to extend for 5 years at the same lease rent
  - ✓ Lease rent will be finalized after a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) is executed with the utility company

- Community benefits package of minimum \$300,000/year
- Lease rent and community benefits depends on the price of energy that the utility company buys from wind project
- Price of energy and the size of the project is unknown until the utility company selects NextEra's wind project in a competitive process and the PPA is finalized

## Summary

### The Kahikinui Wind Energy Project:

- Does NOT depend on an undersea cable to Oahu
- Does NOT depend on the NextEra-HECO merger
- Brings the greatest amount of money to DHHL, at the earliest possible date
- Provides significant community benefits as well as long-term cash stream to DHHL for its beneficiaries
- Has a high probability of success; it does not rely on 3<sup>rd</sup> party financing

### What's Next?

- HHC Discussion with Counsel on proprietary elements of the proposal in August, 2015
- Beneficiary Consultation and Public Hearing Report submitted to HHC in September, 2015
- Decision on Whether or Not to Proceed with ROE and General Lease in November, 2015

## **TOP QUESTIONS**

- From your written questions submitted on yellow sheets
- Full list of Questions and Answers will be posted on our website

## **INDIVIDUAL TESTIMONIES**

- Sign-in sheet to Testify
- As a courtesy to others, please limit oral comments to 3 minutes – there is no limit on written testimonies
- Commissioners are here to listen; they will not be responding to your comments
- Other ways to comment: online, email, mail