

Moloka‘i Regional Plan Update
Meeting #6
Priority Project Selection
 February 11, 2010
 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Gayla Lloyd, Joan Lasua, Kanani Negrillo, Sulini Vuctir??, Shona Pineda, Raymond Gomes Jr., Phyllis Gomes, Lovenu Malukuu, Adolph Helm, Walter Mendes, Lawrence Lasua, Violet Rodrigues, Hannah Tavares, Tania Joao, Lorena Atchison, Wanette Lee, Renee Mortizor, Ron Joao, Colette Machado, Stacy Crivello, Harriet Fukuoka, Edward Lani, B. Dudoit, Keani Acasio, Fred Ato IV, Andrew Ance, MHFA, Noa Horner, Samson Kaahanu, Walter Ritte, Stasia Kuuhanui, Ochie Bush, Sumanngo, Lynn DeCoste, David Keohaloa, William K. Sr., Kuulei Ara, Kammy Purdy, Wayde Lee, Adele Lee

Staff: Darrell Yagodich, Kaleo Manuel, George Maioho, Juliana Ka‘upu

Commissioner: Henry Tancayo

Consultants: PBR HAWAII – Scott Abrigo, Malia Cox

Welcoming: Mr. Darrell Yagodich introduced the DHHL staff and consulting team.

Opening Pule: The opening prayer was given by Ms. Ochie Bush.

Meeting Introduction: Mr. Kaleo Manuel welcomed the group, provided a brief introduction to the purpose of the meeting and the regional planning process

Summary of issues: Mr. Scott Abrigo briefly summarized the previous five meetings. He explained how the numerous issues identified by community members during previous meetings were consolidated into 32 potential projects. Due to the community support/concern, two potential projects, Kalaupapa and Industrial Scale wind, will be addressed in a separate planning process. There was some concern by the community that these projects were being taken out of the beneficiary consultation. Mr. Yagodich, Mr. Abrigo and Mr. Manuel explained that these two projects were part of the process and would be incorporated into the issues section of the regional plan. In addition, these projects were still eligible to be elevated to priority project status by the community. Mr. Abrigo provided a brief summary of the 32 potential projects. Handouts were provided that described the community issues and discussion as related to the potential projects.

Priority Project Selection

The community had an opportunity to decide by consensus on the top potential projects. Beneficiaries were provided with dots to show their support of up to five potential projects. Beneficiaries were allowed to vote for each project only once.

| Support | Potential Project | Category |
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| 40 | C-1 Create a separate planning mechanism. | Community |
| 29 | E-3 Alternative Energy Initiatives | Economic / Energy |
| 27 | C-6 Determine if DHHL can legally sponsor the development of a chicken stadium on DHHL land. | Community |
| 24 | W-4 Conduct pressure testing in Kalama‘ula | Water |
| 16 | A-1 Support Kukui Helepo project. | Agriculture |
| 16 | C-8 Modify septic system to reduce backflow and requirement for frequent pump out. | Community |

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| 13 | A-5 Support the modification of lease/permit options available to native Hawaiians. | Agriculture |
| 6 | K-1 Master Plan Kalaupapa. | Kalaupapa |
| 6 | W-2 MIS Feasibility Study. | Water |
| 6 | W-3 Support legal action. | Water |
| 5 | C-3 Recreation at Lanikeha. | Community |
| 4 | W-7 Normalize water rates between users receiving water from county and DHHL systems. | Water |
| 3 | A-3 Support the creation of a new division to address agriculture needs within the Department. | Agriculture |
| 3 | C-10 Request coordination with contractors to repair road to pre-installation conditions. | Community |
| 3 | C-2 Endorse permanent rules for sustainable fishing from Nihoa to 'Īlio. | Community |
| 2 | A-2 Continue funding shared farm equipment program. | Agriculture |
| 2 | C-9 Support creation of new land designation. | Community |
| 2 | W-5 DHHL Moloka'i Potable/Non potable Water Management Plan | Water |
| 2 | W-6 DHHL/DOA MIS Initiatives | Water |
| 1 | E-6 Support long-term viability of slaughter house. | Economic / Energy |
| 0 | A-4 Support the development of a community base to promote agriculture initiatives. | Agriculture |
| 0 | A-6 Support legal action against former agriculture lessees engaged in pineapple production. | Agriculture |
| 0 | A-7 Create community agriculture plots. | Agriculture |
| 0 | A-8 Support production of crops with local market. | Agriculture |
| 0 | C-4 Coordinate with DOE, advocate for the separation of children before and after school based on school type (middle school). | Community |
| 0 | C-5 Retain Pālā'au Park as a separate facility from Kalaupapa after the DLNR lease expires. | Community |
| 0 | C-7 Create a Community Halau. | Community |
| 0 | E-1 Develop a light industrial area. | Economic / Energy |
| 0 | E-2 Support development of an on-island green-trades training program. | Economic / Energy |
| 0 | E-4 Develop Open Market in Ho'olehua. | Economic / Energy |
| 0 | E-5 Support the creation of a new divisions address energy issues within the department. | Economic / Energy |
| 0 | W-1 Assess and repair leaks in Potable Water delivery and storage system. | Water |

The six projects with the most votes were elevated to priority project status. The top projects are listed below in no particular order along with summary of community discussion and issues utilized to develop the projects.

| | Priority Project | Community Issues | Community Discussion |
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| C-1 | Create a separate planning mechanism. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Designate "No Build Zone" for industrial scale wind turbines and electrical/utility cables, Revoke right of entry permit to First Wind for 1849 acres on TMK-252005019, and TMK-252005006. | Industrial scale wind farms in Mo'omomi and Anahaki is a concern for many residents. |
| E-3 | Alternative Energy Initiatives | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Development of Biodiesel production (ex Kukui nut farms) to supply Moloka'i energy requirements. •Create Solar Farm on DHHL land •Lower utility cost of beneficiaries •Solar on homes •Retrofit existing homes •Install solar panels on middle and high schools. Cost savings to be utilized at the discretion of the school, not DOE. | The State's current dependence on imported fossil fuels affects residents, businesses and farmers residing on Moloka'i. Energy costs are higher than the national average and can be more volatile due to fluctuations in crude oil. Homesteaders have indicated they would like to find alternatives that will generate energy on Moloka'i reducing cost. |
| C-6 | Determine if DHHL can legally sponsor the development of a chicken stadium on DHHL land. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Commercial development of chicken stadium on DHHL lands. | Development of gaming (chicken fighting) could boost the local economy. |
| W-4 | Conduct pressure testing in Kalama'ula | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Repair water delivery system in Kalama'ula to improve water pressure. | The water conveyance system in Kalama'ula appears to deliver water at varying pressure based on the homestead location. DHHL is installing a SCADA system to improve water delivery management and conducting well pump repairs. These improvements to the system should ensure adequate water pressure is provided to all homestead lots. This project would recommend conducting a pressure test once installation is complete to ensure adequate pressure is available. |

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| A-1 | Support Kukui Helepō project. | •Support Ho‘olehua agriculture project. | Kukui Helepō is a biomass energy production project with a goal of getting 800 acres of Kukui under cultivation. Members of Kukui Helepō are working on site acquisition and assisting farmers in developing their 40 acre parcels to grow kukui. The hope is that the Kukui cultivation will serve multiple purposes, energy production, lā‘au, oil production, increase agriculture production, provide an on island energy source, and watershed management. |
| C-8 | Modify septic system to reduce backflow and requirement for frequent pump out. | Kiowea Park septic system overflows frequently due to high use | Kiowea Park gets a lot of use due in part to lower rental rates when compared to other facilities. The high use as well as its location near sea level causes frequent back up of septic system into the lavatory facilities. The system needs to be modified to reduce sewage backflow. DHHL has identified a funding source that can be utilized for materials necessary to modify the system if community can supply labor. |

The project details (cost, phasing, potential partnerships, etc.) for these six priority projects will be flushed out by DHHL, their consulting team, and key stakeholders. The community will then have an opportunity to review, comment and approve the priority projects before the regional plan is submitted to the Commission for approval.

Schedule

The next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2010. This meeting will review and approve the priority project descriptions to ensure they accurately convey the communities’ mana‘o.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned around 8:15 pm.