



Moloka'i Regional Plan Development  
Beneficiary Meeting  
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Meeting Minutes

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**Staff:** Kaleo Manuel, Jan Burns, George Maioho

**Commissioner:** N/A

**Consultants:** PBR HAWAII – Scott Abrigo

**Welcoming:**

Kaleo Manuel welcomed the participants and requested the meeting be opened in prayer.

**Introduction of Regional Planning Process:**

Mr. Manuel introduced the DHHL staff and consulting team and briefly described the DHHL planning process:

1. *General Plan* - Statewide plan with long-term perspective establishing goals and objectives for DHHL.
2. *Strategic Plan* - Statewide focus with shorter term perspective that creates an action plan for each program area based on goals and objects of the General Plan.
3. *Island Plan* - The focus of this longer-term plan (10-year planning horizon) is on Moloka'i specifically, and establishes land use goals and objectives. Land Use Designations are identified within the island plan. It also identifies Island-wide needs, opportunities and priorities.
4. *Regional Plan* - A regional plan (the island of Moloka'i) with shorter term perspective to establish the following:
  - a. Land use goals and objectives from General Plan;
  - b. Develop appropriate "zoning" within land holdings to meet needs of beneficiaries while ensuring proper stewardship of the 'āina;
  - c. Identify needs, opportunities, and priorities of homestead communities;
  - d. Identify potential partnerships and funding opportunities;
  - e. Provide opportunities for beneficiaries to participate and drive the planning of their homestead community and the region; and
  - f. Identify and implement priority projects.

**Review of a Regional Plan:**

Scott Abrigo, PBR HAWAII, described information contained in the regional plan and the method for developing a project list for Moloka'i. He stressed the importance of community involvement in the development of the document.

Regional plans are being developed for 20 regions throughout the State. Each plan follows a standard format.

**Summary of Past Meetings:** Mr. Abrigo briefly summarized the previous six meetings. He gave an overview of the potential projects and the voting process.

**Priority Project Summary:** The projects that received the highest number of votes during meeting #6 were the following:

- 40 points- Wind- Create a Separate Planning Mechanism
- 29 points- Alternative Energy System
- 27 Points Chicken Stadium/Gaming
- 24 points- Conduct Pressure Testing at Kalama'ula
- Tie- Kukui Helepō and Kiowea Septic Repair

Mr. Abrigo provided a detailed description for the Wind, Alternative Energy System, Pressure Testing, Kukui Helepō, and the Kiowea Septic Repair priority projects. This included the cost, potential funding sources/partnerships, phasing, and critical paths (if any). Mr. Abrigo, also provided the Hawai'i State statute (§711-1109) that would preclude animal cruelty and the development of cock fighting on DHHL lands. As a result of the current statute prohibitions, the chicken stadium/gaming project was removed from the priority project list.

### **Open Discussion:**

Throughout the evening discussion was encouraged. Following is a summary these discussions.

1. *Discussion surrounding the regional plan process, voting, approval and contents.*
  - a. Will the community have a chance to revisit the Regional Plan if there is a problem during approval?
  - b. It is expensive to go to Kaua'i, so there may not be adequate representation if anything happens.
  - c. The HHC Approval seems like a formality.
  - d. The intent/context/discussion of the potential projects should be included in the plan. The community would like time to review the projects and edit them.
  - e. Some community members felt the dot system is flawed.

*DHHL will not take the regional plan to the commission if the community is not ready and consensus is not reached.*

2. *Discussion surrounding Energy-*
  - a. Will this project be used to help Moloka'i?
  - b. Is this project limited to only energy for "on island" consumption or is the discussion open to other opportunities?
  - c. A schedule should be developed for this project
  - d. Is this project specifically looking at localizing energy for Moloka'i Homestead community – open and accommodating to homestead community? Become self sustaining? How will it benefit the homestead community? Is this project about exporting energy?
  - e. Is the discussion of exporting energy off the table? Is it still open for discussion?
  - f. Will this be the first project to be implemented, what is the rush?

*Homestead communities throughout the State are taking different approaches to addressing energy use. The discussion on the scale, the exportation or localizing of energy development is something the community will need to discuss.*

3. *Discussion surrounding Chicken Stadium*

- a. Legal opinion should be included in the plan
- b. The fact that this project was prioritized as a high priority by the community should somehow be reflected within the regional plan.

*The regional plan will include a discussion of the projects priority as well as the statute precluding follow up will be incorporated into the plan.*

4. *Discussion surrounding Kukui Helepō*

- a. There are several different entities that are a part of the project. They include, Moloka'i Sustainment Farming Project, Hawaiian Steam and the Moloka'i Farmers. The priority project name should accurately capture the essence of the project.
- b. The different entities should be distinguished in the project.

*These will be captured in the regional plan.*

### **Consensus Reached on Priority Project Summaries**

While there was lively discussion, the community ultimately agreed that consensus was reached on the priority projects as presented and agreed upon during the meeting. DHHL indicated that additional edits would be accepted only if the edits do not change the intent of the priority projects.

The planning schedule was discussed. Consensus was reached on the final priority projects (with minor edits) during this meeting. Therefore, updated regional plan will be submitted to the Hawaiian Homes Commission for approval on April 20, 2010.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned around 8:00 pm.