

Kapolei Broad Sheets (11-5-13)

- When are we going to stop paying for water? I have big concerns. The cost is outrageous.
 - You are not paying for the water, but the delivery of water.
- Can homesteaders get a rate reduction? Flat rate? No rate increases?
- Water is precious.
- Water – we pay too much. Bill is too high.
- DHHL should help with rates by reducing it.
- Ground Water Management Areas vs. Surface Water Management Areas?
- Who sets rates for DHHL systems?
 - Rates are set by the Hawaiian Homes Commission.
- What permits do you need to dig a well?
 - Pump Installation permit and a Well Construction Permit from Commission on Water Resource Management
- How do native Hawaiian rights help DHHL/homesteaders?
- Build infrastructure to get “free” water
- Don’t know how strong DHHL rights are until you assert them; concerned that it is not as strong as we think; just something on paper
- Water Policy Plan – will lay out the plan on how DHHL exercise rights?
- Concern over water in Wai‘anae – restored to stream – will it continue to flow?
- Education
- “Neptune” receivers not accurate – there are issues with readings and mistakes in water billing
- Ahupua‘a system
- Grey Water issues
- Get best deal when developing infrastructure (i.e. Built tank at top of Kualaka‘i, so we should’ve asked for lower rates or create/negotiate for better deals)
- How come County doesn’t know about DHHL’s unique rights to water?
- Educate DWS/BWS, staff, and their legal team
- Why did they do away with cesspools?
 - Double check on City and County Ordinance 14
 - Nanakuli was forced to hook up to system
 - Feds
- DHHL advocate for beneficiaries
- What’s DHHL’s value to water?
 - Look at your bill
 - Be militant and aggressive; sell water, treat like business, treat like oil
- Abe Pi‘ianaia – advocated for water on Moloka‘i to get water transferred from one end to homesteads
- Beyond policy – we are developing, managing, our own water systems/utility; this should be DHHL’s role, not just dedicate to the County; if we develop systems, we need to find a way to deal with BWS
- Focus DHHL’s effort on getting someone on CWRM
- How is wastewater and fresh water being handled in this plan?