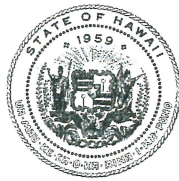


DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR
STATE OF HAWAII

DOUGLAS S. CHIN
LT. GOVERNOR
STATE OF HAWAII



JOBIE M. K. MASAGATANI
CHAIRMAN
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION

WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
DEPUTY TO THE CHAIRMAN

**STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS**

P. O. BOX 1879
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96805

October 10, 2018

**Subject: Honomū Subsistence Agricultural Homestead Community –
Draft Environmental Assessment**

Aloha!

I am happy to report that the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Honomū Subsistence Agricultural Homestead Community was completed and is available for public review and comment. The Office of Environment and Quality Control (OEQC) published the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) in its October 8, 2018 edition of The Environmental Notice. The deadline for comments is November 7, 2018.

You may review a hard copy of the document at the East Hawai'i District Office, the West Hawai'i District Office, or the Kapolei Office. Electronic copies may be downloaded from OEQC's website at:

http://oeqc2.doh.hawaii.gov/EA_EIS_Library/2018-10-08-HA-DEA-Honomu-Subsistence-Ag-Homestead-Community.pdf

In addition, DHHL will present highlights of the Draft Environmental Assessment at an open Public Informational Meeting that has been scheduled for:

Wednesday, October 24, 2018
Keaukaha Elementary School Cafeteria
240 Desha Ave, Hilo 96792
5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – Open House
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Presentation

To be clear, this is not a homestead award meeting. We are still in the planning stages for this homestead community. Initially we wanted to distribute homestead awards at the end of 2018. At this point, we are hoping to distribute initial awards in 2019. Mahalo for your continued support for homestead development.

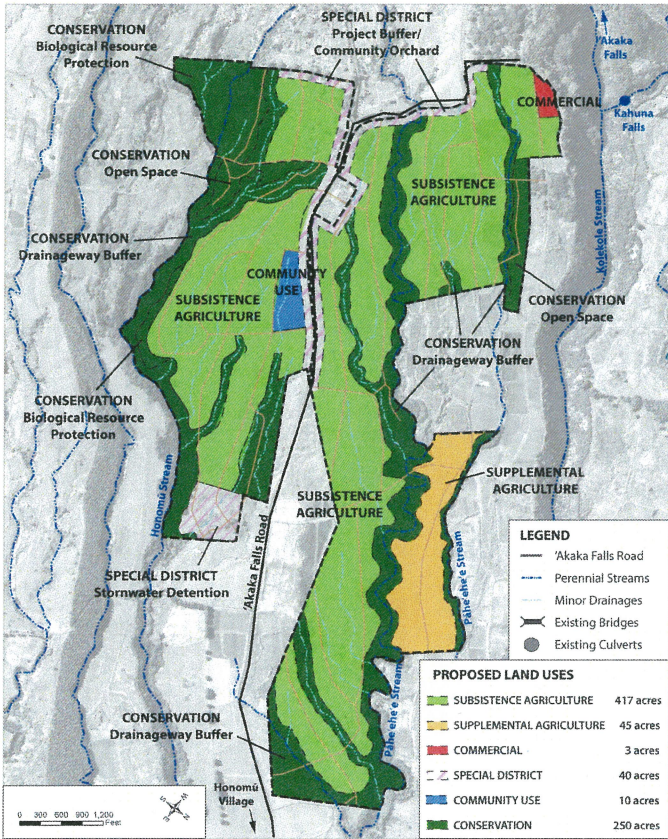
Aloha and Mahalo!


Jobie M. K. Masagatani, Chairman
Hawaiian Homes Commission



Honomū Subsistence Agricultural Homestead Community

PLEASE JOIN US!



COMMUNITY MEETING #3

Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2018
 Time: 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Open House
 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Meeting
 Place: Keaukaha Elementary School
 240 Desha Avenue
 Hilo, HI 96720

DHHL is planning a new subsistence agricultural community on 766 acres in Honomū, South Hilo District, Island of Hawai'i, the first new agricultural Hawaiian homestead in almost 20 years.

Please join us at **Community Meeting #3** where we will share the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA), a document that presents the project, its anticipated environmental impacts, and measures proposed to mitigate those impacts. Comments on the Draft EA will be taken at the meeting.

THE DRAFT EA MAY BE FOUND ON-LINE AT:

http://oeqc2.doh.hawaii.gov/EA_EIS_Library/2018-10-08-HA-DEA-Honomu-Subsistence-Ag-Homestead-Community.pdf

HARD COPIES OF THE DRAFT EA MAY BE FOUND AT:

Hilo Public Library
 300 Waiānuenue Ave
 Hilo, HI 96720

DHHL East Hawai'i District Office
 160 Baker Avenue
 Hilo, HI 96720

DHHL Hale Kalaniana'ole
 91-5420 Kapolei Parkway
 Kapolei, HI 96707

Hawai'i State Library
 478 S King Street
 Honolulu, HI 96813

DHHL West Hawai'i District Office
 64-756 Māmalahoa Highway
 Kamuela, HI 96813

<http://dhhl.hawaii.gov/po/honomu-subsistence-agricultural-homestead-community/>

Questions? Please contact:

Julie-Ann Cachola, DHHL
julie-ann.cachola@hawaii.gov, 808-779-5084

Sherri Hiraoka, Townscape, Inc.
sherri@townscapeinc.com, 808-550-3892