

Kalaupapa Working Group: Laying the Groundwork

September 8

Participants

- Joseph Lapilio
- Mona Kapaku
- Elroy Mollena
- Tess Mollena
- Lori Ritte Buchanan
- Walter Ritte
- Halealoha Ayau
- Andrew
- Cedric
- Nancy
- BK / MK

Meeting Notes

Introductions

- AC: Aloha, I believe we're all here
 - One last person connecting to audio then we'll get started
 - Can I get a volunteer to pule and start us out on the right foot
- HA: Pule
- AC: For those who don't know me
 - AC acting planning manager at DHHL
 - Welcome to what we hope to be first of several meetings with regards to special place, Kalaupapa
 - Have short presentation to get overview of what we hope to cover
 - Give opportunity for small group of participants to introduce themselves
 - Hoping for good feedback on process
 - Focus on what this process will be
 - Get your thoughts on the process
 - Suggestions for improvement
 - Thank you for taking time to share your thoughts tonight
 - Appreciate you taking time out of your busy lives to join us
 - Is everyone ok if we record meeting
 - Responses from group they're good
 - Cedric, pls hit record
 - This is agenda for this evening
 - Intro
 - Brief background and commitments behind this WG
 - Want to suggest what we think the goals should be but want your feedback to ensure goals resonate with you
 - Suggestions for improvement

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- Go thru what we see as the process but open to suggestions for improvement
- Understand in previous planning efforts for Kalaupapa there's been disagreement with the process
 - Want to make sure there is feedback and buy in here
- Have discussions on the things we talked about and looking ahead to future meetings
- For those who've been to beneficiary consultation meetings, ground rules:
 - Respectful of other participants
 - Aware and cognizant of others in the room
 - Respect others' viewpoints
 - Be active listener
 - Understand there might be other things going on in the background
- Fortunate to have HACBED help us thru this process
 - They will help facilitate us
 - Will start off with facilitating introductions
- BK: Thanks, AC
 - Thanks for taking the time
 - Looking forward to talking story and hearing your feedback
 - Start with a practice that AP brings with her
 - Beloved community
 - Name
 - Weather inside
 - Blue sky moment
 - Added knowing covid made stuff merge together and don't feel like life is on the bright
 - I'll model
 - BK
 - Weather inside is kind of right after storm
 - Little calm
 - Sun on horizon
 - Stuff buss up on the shore
 - Getting past that and clean that up
 - Blue sky
 - Past weekend got to babysit niece, 1 yr 3 months
 - Best part taking nap with her
 - Go in the order on my screen
 - Cedric
 - Information and community relations, DHHL
 - Weather inside is little stormy
 - Hoping there will be a calm port soon
 - Last couple weeks wild
 - Lori laughing because stormy since I saw her
 - Blue sky

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- Morning when I take my 3 kids to school
 - When I get to hang out with them for few minutes before I drop them off
- Joe
 - ED of Ka 'Ohana o Kalaupapa
 - Weather inside is electrical
 - Mean in a good way
 - Excited
 - Anticipation
 - A lot of that kind of feeling right now
 - Blue sky
 - Any time with grandchildren
 - Best is when they're all together and I'm with them
- Mona
 - Work for dept
 - District ops manager
 - Oversee district offices on neighbor islands
 - Weather
 - Relief
 - Calm
 - Had busy day
 - Home enjoying the weather in Kula
 - Cool
 - Blue sky
 - Love Fridays
 - Work hard during the week so look forward to Fridays
 - Korean drama
- Uncle Walter Ritte
 - Weather inside me is malia
 - Wife made really good dinner so enjoying all of this
 - Blue sky
 - Heard HH going to do something about Kalaupapa
- Elroy
 - Me and wife, Tess
 - Weather for us is stormy especially with pandemic and work itself
 - Blue sky
 - Definitely spending time with family and first grandson
- Halealoha
 - 4th gen homesteader (HS)
 - Named for my great-grandfather who was original HS at Ho'olehua
 - Weather always a hurricane
 - Never stops

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- Good role models growing up and idea was to stay active and do what you gotta do
- Blue sky
 - Sundays playing lacrosse in Honolulu
 - Beating up players younger than me
- Aunty Lori
 - Can't understand, cutting in and out
 - BK: Enter in the chat as Nancy mentioned
 - LB (chat): move on lol
- Nancy
 - Planner with DHHL Planning Office
 - Assigned as liaison for Kalaupapa
 - Weather is tropical storm but starting to calm down because it's sunset time
 - Blue sky
 - DHHL and beneficiaries are on same page and we're communicating and realizing we can support each other
 - Always a moment I cherish when that happens
- Andrew
 - With Dept Planning office
 - Apologies, airplane flying close by, might have to mute myself
 - Weather
 - Windy, feel like being blown in different directions a lot
 - Last couple weeks as well
 - Blue sky
 - Morning time when my family's getting ready to go about their day
 - Bustling, but feels like good energy time
 - All excited to take on the day
- Merri
 - Weather
 - Sunny
 - Things going well
 - Blue sky
 - Sister who is home from college in OR
 - Here for sev more days
 - Extended her trip
- BK: Thanks everyone for introducing yourselves and sharing your weather
 - Lots going on in everyone's lives
 - Giving energy to Kalaupapa, appreciate everyone sharing

Updates & Context

- AC: Going thru background
 - Understand Kalaupapa has had a lot going on over the last 10 years

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- Before that, history and important events that occurred
- Tonight high level of what some of the background has been over the last decade
- One of the first things
 - Dept over the course of the last 10 yrs has been involved with NPS GMP update
 - My predecessor, Kaleo Manuel, and Nancy were leads at the dept trying to be involved in NPS planning
- Other thing dept has done
 - Conduct beneficiary consultation to understand concerns beneficiaries had regarding Kalaupapa for input to the GMP
 - Regularity with which we did that was not consistent
 - Want to show more consistency
- Dept commitments
 - Committed to advocating for beneficiaries
 - Listen
 - Understand
 - Other part is knowing strategic ways in which we can collect ben's mana'o and try our best to implement some of the ideas that come forth thru consultation in strategic ways the mana'o shared with us can be more than thoughts and ideas
- We have contractual relationship with NPS
 - Binds us to them until 2041
 - Would take great warring to get us out of that contract
 - Not looking to entertain that at this time
 - Looking for ways to better partner with NPS so beneficiaries feel heard
 - Want this group to help us with that
 - Have ideas of how to do that and will go into that a little more this evening
- Nancy: Aloha kākou everyone
 - We've been hearing concerns re: Park starting 2005
 - Before I started working with Dept
 - Right before working with Maui County
 - DHHL IP updated - concerns
 - Mgmt of Park
 - Access
 - Econ dev
 - Inclusion in NPS programming
 - Need for cxn of lineal descendants / displaced residents
 - Some for/against homesteading
 - Lack of communication with beneficiaries
 - 2005 Island Plan
 - Special district
 - 2 cmty use areas
 - 2.5 acres each

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- Commercial designation in Pala`au state area
- Figure out best way at some point to implement special dist, cmtly use given General Mgmt Plan
- GMP Process started 2009
 - Darrell and Kaleo
 - Scoping meetings
 - 2 rds beneficiary consultation meetings in 2011 & 2015
- 3 comment letters
 - Incorporate beneficiary concerns/questions
 - BC reports for each round submitted/accepted by HHC
 - Concerns included same as Island Plan
 - Ensure and protect traditional customary rights
 - Desire/ability to hunt
 - Desire for special access days
 - Concerns for restrictions on overnight stays
 - Task force to provide ongoing guidance to NPS with teeth
 - ...to be reused
 - Concern no sunset date for plan nor exit strategy for NPS
 - Stewardship of cultural/natural resources
 - Restore boundaries on backside
 - Better more consistent outreach to topside
 - Reestab trad'tl rec activities, i..e. Surfing
- Also wanted to pursue how Department can better interact with NPS
 - Explore what beneficiaries want to do that we haven't been doing
 - What else besides coop agreements to ensure concerns responded to adequately by Dept/NPS
- Ways to assist with/facilitate improvements to communication with beneficiaries
- Willing to hold quarterly meetings after this 1st round of mtgs
- LB (chat): wow...das all Nancy lol!
 - lol I have been thinking about this for more than 10 years
- AC: These are what our suggested WG goals are
 - But why we invited you is to give feedback and mana'o on direction we want to go and let us know if need to alter course little bit, but hopefully not too much
 - In the GMP that NPS adopted, calls for
 - Coop agreements
 - Agreements with the dept related to use and access of community use areas of lands in Kalaupapa
 - 2nd agreement mentioned In GMP
 - Revenue producing services and opportunities
 - Thinking these convos with this WG and beneficiaries could be utilized by input into these coop agreements and making sure these agreements the details our beneficiaries want
 - Have these agreements in writing for mutual understanding between dept, ben, and NPS

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- Want to make sure information and ideas shared with us are used productively
 - Inputting into NPS GMP would be one of the better ways to make sure beneficiaries mana'o is utilized
 - Specifically called out this CA's
 - One of the things beneficiaries called to our attention in planning process that NPS could've improved
 - DHHL ...
 - Get to level of detail beneficiaries comfortable with and set clear expectations and outcomes and process
 - This was one of our ideas for the goals of the WG
 - Later can get your thoughts on that
- BK will take us thru what we conceived as initial process and how you can give your feedback on process
- BK: Thanks AC
 - Back to the process
 - Working with dept laid out starting point and open to feedback
 - 3 meetings focused on process
 - Get clear on goals
 - Discussion on what might come next
 - Follow up meeting would be to flesh out process, information needed
 - 3rd meeting focused on process again
 - If necessary
 - If that doesn't fit, this could be only meeting on process
 - Dept willing to meet on the substantive piece
 - Flesh out what should be in agreements
 - Work on draft
 - Feedback
 - Finalize
 - If too many meetings, can cut down
 - If want more, can increase
 - Today small group
 - Who else needs to be at the table to talk about substantive piece
 - Next part
 - LB, what do you mean by hard line in the sand?
- LB (chat): for real 3 meetings for process?
 - when is the meeting to establish what is wrong
- Nancy (chat): We're open to your feedback - if no need, no need.
- LB: *broke up
- LB (chat): OK so DHHL is already starting these meetings with hard lines in the sand
 - I not attending to talk about cooperative agreements
- BK: Next part is getting feedback
 - Goals and expectations
 - Who else should be part of these [meetings]

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- Can go where you wanna go
- LB, want to share more about not being here to talk about CA

Discussion (starts at 34:36)

- LB: What I heard was DHHL has a hard line in sand
 - Willing to discuss with beneficiaries
 - But not willing to talk about what is the real problems with Kalaupapa
 - All you guys like talk about right now is profits and money (*cutting out not sure this is what was said)
 - That's not what I here for
 - That's not what I asked the chairman to do
 - Disappointed right now
 - Thought beneficiaries or stakeholders like ourselves have been in this from ... (*cutting out)
 - What we saw as pictures they're going to have perpetual negative impacts to beneficiaries under Homestead Act law
 - Thought that's what we were going to talk about but obviously nobody in dept wanted to listen
 - Don't know how I can jump forward to talking about what piece of the pie I think I like as a beneficiaries when we not acknowledging the hewa that has been done to beneficiaries in Makanalua
 - NPS has not been a good partner for beneficiaries
 - Hearing we have a contract
 - Sorry, cannot do nothing about the contract
 - I don't believe that
 - After hearing the Department's position right now, I think myself as a beneficiary, the only route I have is to take legal action against everybody
 - Dept
 - NPS
 - DLNR
 - DOT
 - Anybody else committing hewa right now in Makanalua
 - That's where I'm coming from
 - No one wants to acknowledge the bad stuff
 - Have 600 pages from NPS
 - It's not clear
 - Tried to tell Dept the Programmatic Agreement (PA) was seriously flawed
 - Going to have all these problems for beneficiaries in perpetuity
 - We signed and let them go
 - We had a baby and gave the baby up, lock, stock and barrel
 - Take this baby and do what you like
 - Family said you no can have the baby
 - Now you telling me what you like tell this guy
 - It's done deal

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- Dept not willing to acknowledge they did something wrong by giving long term lease to the fed government
- I can give somebody else time for talk
- That's my issue
- Not here to talk about how I want to make money with Kalaupapa
- They denied Hawaiians access forever
- Now they willing to throw open the flood gates to tourism
- I thought we Native Hawaiians had rights and privileges from the... (*cutting out)
 - But I guess not
 - But if you have fed jurisdiction
 - Thought land ownership matters, that's why I went to the dept
 - Apparently the dept no care
 - They only cares if I try to take legal action
- Maybe only me feel like this
- I think Auntie Pua on Moku o Keawe feel the same
 - All she did at every meeting was cry
 - Because of how she was being treated
- Nobody was knocking on the door and nobody was listening, especially DHHL
- WR: On this Kalaupapa thing
 - One thing can't figure out is what benefits
 - DHHL job is to figure out benefits for homesteaders
 - Now my major concern is how can we as beneficiaries use land on this peninsula
 - Land use is big issue we gotta try and resolve
 - Everyone knows no other place like Kalaupapa
 - Thinking about traditional land uses
 - Tried early on to have traditional cultural properties be part of Kalaupapa
 - Didn't go anywhere
 - Now our only hope is for DHHL to put muscle behind land use for the beneficiaries
 - Not only land use on on HHL
 - But on conservation lands like Wailau Valley
 - Important for us to get down to Kalaupapa as homesteaders and into the valleys
 - One obligation the Park has is to get rid of invasive species
 - Would be great
 - If hire homesteaders to get rid of invasives and do this at same time as traditional uses
 - Would be great for us and for the Park
 - Other thing I wanted to talk about besides the peninsula is the lands above the Park
 - State managing
 - State doing poor job
 - Hoping HH can get those lands back under control of HH and put into hands of beneficiaries
 - All kinds of idea we have regarding use of that forest

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- First one to cut down and restore traditional forest
- Relationship between Park and DHHL
 - Feel almost ashamed at how we mihi down to the NPS and grovel about what we want and would like to see
 - Want to see HH with muscle
 - We're a fed'l program, why can't get more muscle on our side
- This Park one of last parks to be created
 - Small national park
 - They don't have that much muscle
- Like to figure out how we can form entity and have relationship with this Park that means something where we're not begging
- Otherwise not going to get anywhere because Moloka'i can't get some of our elected officials to really care about what's going on on Molokai
- This issue... calling us together
 - Hoping not calling us together to kiss the hand of the Park
 - But to kick some okole over there
 - They know as homesteaders this is our land and we expect land use on our lands
- LB (chat): \$250K in annual lease rent from NPS to DHHL
 - Walter you got 2 acres in DHHL....Nancy can repeat
 - The valleys are under Federal jurisdiction
 - National Historic Landscape area...it's under the Park
 - I even take offense at calling it a "Park"!
- NM (chat): Most of Pala'au forest right above Kalaupapa is being managed by DLNR-State Parks under DHHL license.
- LB (chat): We already kissed the hand Walter
 - Even the Department does not know all what the agreement says and how it will negatively impact Hawaiians
 - The Park in their so called consultation did not incorporate our feedback. They just rolled right ahead and abruptly ended talking
- BK: Thanks for both your feedback, Uncle Walter and Aunty Lori
 - For kickstarting where you're at
 - Not ok currently with how the process is laid out and the relationship between Park and DHHL
 - How it's called a Park
 - Land use and access big issue
 - Lack of proper management by other state entities
 - LB not wanting to talk about Cooperative Agreement (CA) but engage with what's the issue
 - Not acknowledging hewa done
 - PA had lots of problems for beneficiaries
 - Not here to talk about that money piece
 - Access, rights, and privileges
 - AC, you had your hand raised, want to chime in

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- AC: Mahalo Lori for your mana'o, that's the feedback we wanted to get in terms of process
 - If meeting about what is the issue and what is wrong, if that would be more productive, can discuss further tonight
 - Initial thought was how to take mana'o of beneficiaries and put in vehicle NPS would take seriously
 - Idea behind CA vehicle
 - If you feel it's more productive to have meeting and list and identify all of the issues, that's another way we can go
 - Would like to add that in addition to listing all the issues, we should also have a separate or follow up meeting or at the same meeting solutions to some of the issues
 - This is the type of feedback we wanted
 - How we best utilize mana'o of our beneficiaries and time we have
 - Thank you for that
- WR: Andrew, if we talk about vehicle first
 - Might be creating VW when we need a bus
- AC: Good mana'o
 - Maybe postpone the thoughts on the vehicle until we identify what type of vehicle is needed to address the issue
- CD: If hearing correctly, we need to take a pause and articulate the issues before we determine the vehicle and push forward
 - Am I hearing right?
- AC: That's what I heard
 - HA: Before we go forward with that, hold that thought
- I have process questions
 - Lease with NPS that dept went into and commission approved
 - Thru 2041
 - Are the plans we're talking about derived from terms of the lease
 - What is the authority for these plans
 - Sounds like if any of this is going to get traction, leverage has to come thru the lease
 - Contract relation thru lease is not a belief, it's a legal, binding agreement between the two entities
 - If one abrogates, the other can sue them and do what they like to block it
 - How do we use the existing lease vehicle or plans to create the leverage necessary to make sure the NPS is being responsive to community concerns
 - Otherwise will use lease as shield
 - Everytime say something, just ignore or block them
 - Identifying that process is critical to the substantive part because throwing stuff out isn't going to make NPS do anything except continue on their merry way
 - I think there is cause for concern because all the infrastructure they're putting in is not for looks, it's to ground themselves in that area beyond the lease

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- Should be concerned about that
 - If AG could attend meetings in the future so we know what part of the lease allows lessor to revisit or address concerns of its beneficiaries that have arisen since lease was executed
- WR: Lease was done a long time ago
- HA: What year was that
 - Which admin
- WR: 1992
 - Not going to find too much power
 - Have to find our political power other than trying to figure out how to use that lease
 - The lease, like you say, will be used to counter what we want
 - I think we have more political savvy in 2021 we can use to figure out how to get what we want
- LB (chat): I can happily add to Nancy's "trail of tears"
 - There is a really BAD lease yes
 - And DHHL just validated again that very bad lease by signing the PA
 - By the way what NPS did was illegal
 - DHHL should be concerned that NPS said they going take care the baby unless they no more money then they no need feed the baby. That is what the PA says they can do.
 - The Park is and has been in violation of "The Lease". Just like PTA has violated their lease, so D HHL can legally get out of the lease
- JL: If I can add, listening to what people are saying
 - Compared to everyone else on call, I'm new to this
 - Started with Ka 'Ohana o Kalaupapa at the beginning of this year
 - Participated in PA meetings and 106 process
 - Disturbed at lack of regard NPS had for beneficiaries' input and the groups that were involved
 - Want to go back to the part in the meeting you mentioned before CA as two goals
 - 2 things dept wanted to work on
 - How to make sure beneficiaries' needs are met
 - How to improve communication between beneficiaries and NPS
 - In addition to the 2 goals on the CA, that should be the 3rd goal
 - We attempted to work with dept to see how the dept could help by leveraging its position in terms of what was happening with PA
 - I agree with WR
 - Need dept to have more muscle so it can work as advocate for beneficiaries
 - Processes that can be used that maybe not using right now
 - Would like to see us put that on the map
 - That that becomes one of the goals

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- How we actually do that to make sure beneficiaries are heard by NPS
- WR: When we started this process, thought would EIS and 106
 - Stuff we used to in order to have a voice
 - Going thru process for years then have crazy president comes in and no GP
 - 106 taken out of GP process
 - Do another process
 - Something illegal or stink about the process
 - Kind of stuff DHHL can use as leverage that they didn't follow the normal processes that allows people input
 - That muscle we don't have as individuals
 - DHHL, if they look into what happened and the excuse given for not doing 106 and GP, just have PA, we had very little to say about that
 - What happened to our 106
 - Let's not talk about that
- LB (chat): That was illegal
 - NPS threw all 343 review out the window
 - moved to NEPA thru the PA. Everyone has a fiduciary responsibility to follow the law!!!
 - It should be simple! You own land, you lease land, you stop leasing.
 - If DHHL no like take care the baby then give um to someone who wants to take care.
 - DHHL do you know what is in the PA??
- NM (chat): The Chairman was briefed on the PA
- LB (chat): Did the briefing explain and incorporate ALL the WHEREAS...
- NM (chat): Yes, but it might be a good idea to revisit them.
- JL: Didn't answer the question, just moved on
- NM: Don't think it was the staff at Kalaupapa's choice
 - Don't think they had choice in the matter
 - Coming from higher up
 - Put them in difficult situation
- JL: Right now, other opportunities coming up
 - Biden appointed a Native American to become director of NPS
 - This person Chuck Sams
 - Appointed
 - Going thru confirmation process
 - His tribe had these kinds of issues with NPS in their area
 - One thing he's noted for is getting NPS to work with his tribe
 - At some point, we have to explore what that is
 - Clearly this man has ideas on where the leverage points are and how you can get NPS to work with community better
 - I'll try to figure out where that is
 - Gotta get the information on the tribe and get it to you guys
 - Maybe something there we can look at

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- WR: Staffing from DHHL should be assigned to find out what happened
 - It's their land
 - Something smelly happened at higher level
 - Don't know if we can get to that level
 - Maybe can figure out how to get Kai Kahele to find out
 - Now we have friendlier administration
 - Think they should assign AC to go to DC
- AC: Would have to get approval from my other boss, my wife
- WR: Take your covid shots and you're on your way
- BK: Taking verbatim notes
 - Also recording
 - Capturing high level on slides
 - So folks can see, respond, and add
 - Appreciate you, Joseph, sharing opportunities with Biden appointing Native American to be director of NPS and his experience
 - Trying to capture some of the chat
 - Illegal or stink way NPS handled and taken out the 106 and not incorporated beneficiaries feedback and moved on
 - Doesn't feel or look good that dept signed PA despite how process went
 - How process could be used to show violation of the lease
 - Thanks HA for asking about the lease
 - Background around it
 - What teeth, if any
 - Sounds like not a lot of language since from 1992
 - Not sure if someone from dept wants to respond
 - Curious to hear other thoughts, Mona, Elroy, or Tess
- MK: Said a lot the last time we met
 - Like everything Walter said about land use and traditional use of the land
 - Those are important
 - This is probably the only place we could do that in Kalaupapa
 - It will be preserved
 - No tourists going there
 - No Social Media
 - Like Twin Falls on Maui
 - Hana
 - Over there is very special
 - I'd like to see the Park employ beneficiaries
 - Like to see beneficiaries living there versus people from mainland working for NP
 - NP should have program to train beneficiaries and state should lease or hire our beneficiaries from Moloka'i to live and work there
 - So they can also use the traditional practices on their day's off
 - Fishing
 - In the valley growing taro
 - Possible for people to live in these places and make it come alive

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- Talk about it for years
 - To have this relationship with NPS
 - What are they doing
 - What are they managing
 - What is their goal for the NPS
 - Want to see the area vibrant with beneficiaries
- I have special aloha for Kalaupapa
 - Uncle and aunt from there
 - Conceived my cousin there, whom my mother raised
 - Aunt named my cousin after my mother because she knew my mother would raise this child to adulthood
 - Aunt went there when 6 or 9
 - Uncle in early 20's, off to the military and found out he had leprosy so shipped to Kalaupapa
 - Not place they wanted to be but loved it once they got there
 - Found each other
 - Had my cousin
 - My cousin been with Ka 'Ohana o Kalaupapa
 - Struggling
 - Should be helping them get monument up
 - Fed should be throwing money there
 - So much struggles there even for beneficiaries
- Everytime we have these meetings, I feel this hewa
 - We talk and talk
 - Would like to see our beneficiaries there
 - Participating
 - Working
 - Living
- Like what everyone said tonight
 - Appreciate it
 - Not getting younger
- Dept need to be more accountable
- My mana'o
- Mahalo
- LB (chat): That is incorrect Mona
 - They have a robust Tourism plan
 - "the plan" calls for "unfettered access" for tourism
 - They need to make \$\$\$ to manage
- NM (chat): I can email the info submittals from Aug. and Dec. 2020 to everyone - they have a lot of background info, history, outlining of concerns of beneficiaries.
- WR: Want to put something else on the table besides goal of traditional kinds of land use
 - Concern I have is on Moloka'i, we've been able to control tourism to point where it's not our number 1 moneymaker
 - Hardly see tourists here and fine with us

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- Worry that Kalaupapa has 2 saints
 - Looked up what is a saint
 - Big towns that have a saint from their town and people come from all over the world to visit the town
 - To be healed
 - Religious purposes
 - Having saint on your land is a big deal
 - No place else with 2 saints
 - Potential Kalaupapa has
 - See as traditional land area
 - If we don't control fed government, having 2 saints and land mass that has a story everyone wants to hear about
 - How you not supposed to treat people with diseases
 - Really worried about us not being able to control the future of those lands
 - Will have major impact without control if we don't have control over those lands
- LB (chat): the PA does not have DHHL as a Cooperative partner that they want to do anything for them, instead they rely heavily on TNC, DLNR, etc.
 - one of the first actions is to remove the 100 visitors per day restriction!!!
 - \$millions are being spent on airport improvements
 - \$27 million is being spent on electrical upgrades that have no renewable energy Auwe DHHL
- JL: Heads up there is movement to canonize a 3rd saint for Kalaupapa
 - Joseph Hutton
- CD: What year was he around
- JL: Gotta check
- CD: Name doesn't sound familiar
 - Joseph Dutton is more familiar
- JL: Could be Dutton
- LB (chat): Brother Dutton
 - No more \$\$\$ was the excuse DHHL used as to why NPS had to hanai Makanalua
 - Increased use from Military
- NM: Just put in the chat that I can email 4 docs if folks interested
 - 2 beneficiary consultation reports
 - 2 updates to the Commission
 - Can email those to everyone if folks want to give more background history
 - I left a lot of stuff out though so need to keep having this convo
 - Lots of gaps to be filled in
 - Know Lori and Walter know that history
- WR: Another short history
 - Before Park came in, I applied for homesteading at Kalaupapa

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- Got letter from Department saying not accepting applications for Kalaupapa
- When NPS came in, I think it was Dan Akaka that said they support the Park being at Kalaupapa because no homesteaders applied for land use at Kalaupapa so the NPS has clean slate coming in
 - That's the kind of stuff going on back then
 - Tell you not accepting applications and tell you no one wanted to come to Kalaupapa so can turn this place over to NPS
- That's why I get involved with Kalaupapa and land use
 - In long run, our ability to use those lands is going to win
- BK: Thanks for that history Uncle Walter
 - Unfortunate
 - Your shedding light on tourism
 - Aunty Lori, plans to remove restrictions
 - The potential canonization of a third saint, Joseph
- CD: Gotta be Dutton
 - He worked side by side with Father Damien
- BK: Can lead to more interest from outsiders and more influx
 - Helpful to hear, Joseph, that you put on radar
 - Seeing writing on wall with airport improvements and connected Issues with upgrades with no renewable energy
 - Know that's come up in other conversations I've had with other connected to the island
 - Appreciate all the feedback
 - Want to make sure Elroy and Tess have chance to chime in on what you've been hearing
- Elroy: Have clear idea on which direction
 - For me and wife, history on my side
 - Basically my dad worked there as did I
 - My wife has family, Lucy
 - Their family were one that was put in Kalaupapa with Hansen's Disease
 - We feel more that as Hawaiians, we need a voice
 - What is at stake here for us
 - We just listening in and trying to gather information
 - Come from family thing
 - Not as much legal aspect of history and stuff Walter and Hale bringing up
 - We're just listening now and trying to find our place
 - That's what it is for us right now
- BK: Appreciate you sharing your connection, your roots there
 - Need for a voice and appreciate you listening as you try to find your place
- Elroy: When community meeting came up, we attended and shared our views with Kaleo
 - A lot of things that are undone or uncared for

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- Having that brought forward and shedding light and Hawaiians first is number 1
 - We need to have say down there
 - If not, we'll get pushed aside
- BK: Thanks for sharing that and the mana'o you shared with Kaleo years back now
 - Importance for Hawaiians as number 1 and being pushed aside
 - Other things on DHHL side to share given your connections to what's been happening
- AC: What I heard so far is we should come back
 - Should have good chunk of time to go over what's in lease and see how we can leverage lease to get more cooperation from NPS and see how we can better assert our beneficiaries' positions
 - Other thing I heard, Nancy wanted to share general background
 - if there are other information besides lease to help us strategize on how best to use the instrument to get better results than we've gotten is important discussion to have
- LB (chat): The lease is short!!!! Jobi said the same thing months ago. I am willing to work on terminating the lease!
- NM: One thing I'd like to do before next meeting is compare letters we wrote as part of General Management Plan (GMP) process to the GMP and see if concerns were responded to or how they were responded to
 - Analysis and create table
 - Wrap my head around
 - Did they respond or sideswipe it and call it good
 - That's one thing I'd like to work on that might benefit this process
 - So we can see, did their planning process respond
 - What Lori and Walter said early on,
 - Hawaii environmental review process is more rigorous than NEPA process that NPS used
 - Requires written response to all comments
 - Confusing is difference between chapter 343, Hawai'i EIS and EA and a NEPA EIS and EA
 - They felt they met standards of NEPA but that standard is lower than what projects in Hawai'i normally have to undergo as far as chapter 343 review
 - Hard for folks
 - Walter and Lori used to engaging during EA's and EIS's
 - We've done a few together
 - Has been interesting
 - That was kind of tough
- LB (chat): Thank you Nancy for saying it is confusing and complicated I appreciate your acknowledgement.
- BK: Thanks NM for sharing the work you're willing to do in the interim
 - Auntie Lori appreciates your acknowledgement that it's confusing and complicate
 - Lots of acronyms

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- Confusion especially difference between state and fed
- Thanks, AC, for sharing
 - Sounds like important to go over lease and see what we can leverage in the near term
 - See what's possible now
- Sounds like Lori open to figuring out how to terminate lease
- See what else out there to strategize
- Other questions or thoughts that come up as we look to what might be useful way to use our time if we were to have a follow up meeting
- LB: Like know I not wasting my time
 - Get so much stuff going on as always on Molokai
 - We on everybody's meal ticket
 - Everybody wants something on Moloka'i
 - All we have to rely on is process
 - I am a process person
 - I had to learn to be a process person
 - The old saying that you do the same thing over and over hoping for different outcome that's kinda like the fed process
 - Having gone through how many superintendents at the Park, that is not in their favor either
 - Perpetual long term care
 - Or the absence
 - Operated the Park for 40 years without GMP and in couple months not doing plan anymore
 - Going do one PA
 - No worry, going be all good
 - I spent countless hours on the PA
 - Put in a lot of feedback that didn't get incorporated
 - Was for the benefit of beneficiaries to make sure beneficiaries not getting short end of stick, which we are getting the short end of the stick
 - In one meeting, I wouldn't mind conveying all of that
 - I welcome criticism if what I convey on the record is incorrect
 - By all means, tell me I wrong
 - I research a lot and I don't think I'm wrong
 - Right now NPS has chokehold to the PA on the management of lands under jurisdiction of HHL
 - By them operating 40 years without GMP, lots of bad things happened
 - I'm afraid with millions of dollar project for install renewable energy, they going dig a lot
 - Not happy with their care of ... (*cutting out)
 - I think all of Makanalua is big resting place for iwi kūpuna, not a Park, not disneyland
 - Not to be trampled and walked upon
 - That's what's driving me

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- If Dept not serious about caring and how to care for an entire peninsula or iwi kūpuna, I don't know what to say
- Always come down to money
 - Right now getting \$250K from the fed government to lease for the land
- Anyone want to know what the GMP says, I can tell you
- Why I continue to hold the position they are not best suited to care for ... (*cutting out) in perpetuity, even though that's their ... (*cutting out)
 - Continue to be disconnected
 - Culturally ... (*cutting out) Moloka'i and to beneficiaries
- So I don't know what to say
- Thank you
- JL (chat): The NPS Director nominee, Chuck Sams, is from the Nez Perce tribe. The lands they negotiated are in the Nez Perce National Historic Park.
- NM (chat): We'll work on getting a copy of the Cooperative Agreement for the Nez Perce NHP.
- BK: Definitely hear you don't want to waste your time
 - A lot going on on the island
 - You all put in a lot of time
 - PA didn't turn out in a way that incorporated your feedback
 - Sounds like you're open to meeting to figure out what's wrong
 - And potential solutions
 - Reviewing lease and getting clear what's in there and any other supporting documents
 - What might be possible to break or get out of lease or show lease is no longer applicable given illegal activity
 - Sounds like Nancy will work on getting a copy of the Cooperative Agreement for Nez Perce NHP
 - Might be someone to talk to
 - Even with this group, if possible
- NM: Once he's confirmed
 - Believe Deb Haaland coming to Hawai'i in October?
- CD: Thought it was December
- NM: Anticipating dept would try to get meeting with her
- CD: Every NH will try to get meeting with her
 - Rumor is she will be in attendance for Dec 7th, but I don't think we can count on that
 - Think we need to move proceed forward and navigate this process
- BK: Thanks for those updates
 - NM you bringing that possibility into this
 - HA or Mona want to add anything
 - Or Joseph if you want to add anything
- JL: I'm good
 - Said what I hoped to be able to say
- MK: Great mana'o tonight

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- Nothing to add
- BK: Thanks, Mona
 - How bout you Halealoha
- NM: Do we have more slides to go thru tonight
- BK: Sounds like we landed on some next steps
 - To flash what was thought about
 - Talked about if other people should be brought into process
 - Sounds like touching on areas of agreement and non-agreement
 - Can go into more detail if folks want to
 - Those were the last kind of...
 - Already hitting on information Department can provide
 - Can go into any of these if folks... if any of these would be useful
- LB: Wanted to hear from Hale because been with the dept long time
 - Hale, asking if you have feedback
- HA: Curious about what the status of access issues
 - Know beneficiaries was coming to me when I was acting district supervisor
 - Surfers get arrested
 - One was tased
 - Is Dept facilitating access for beneficiaries to go down to the settlement to surf
 - Engage in cult'l activities on HHL that they gotta cross thru to get to the beach
 - Has there been any improvements in that
- NM: Good question
 - Let me try to answer that
 - One is the DOH is still managing access
 - Some of these authorities have not transferred to NPS
 - Patient rules still in effect
 - Includes no one under 16 having access
 - Because of covid entire settlement closed
- HA: Aware of that
 - The guys going down are all adults
 - NPS enforcement is stopping them, not DOH
- NM: DOH relying on NPS to enforce their rules
 - Supposed to have authorization from DOH in order to come down
 - Patient rules say only patients can collect resources down there and employees
 - My understanding is because DOH still has authority down there, patient rules in effect and they rely on NPS for enforcement
 - Are rules for NHS, not allowed to take any resources
 - Why NPS suggested coop agreement to get around restrictions
 - In some ways their hands are tied as far as providing those types of access
 - Hope was the Coop agreement that dept would negotiate and facilitate methods for access and gathering of resources for beneficiaries
 - Where we're at right now

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- HA: That's one of the agreements we're being asked to comment on
- NM: Still in initial stages of formulating it
- HA: OK, good, wanna be part of that
 - Like everyone else wanna make sure I'm not wasting my time either
- LB (chat): There is no access
 - No DHHL is not
 - Yes.....Rangers enforce but have a "COMPACT" with Maui Police....this compact is super interesting
 - So if you get arrested you going federal detention or you going OCCC
- HA: Good question Lori
- LB: I ask that question all the time
- HA: Who's jurisdiction because it's kind of mixed up
 - Who's enforcing state law
- LB: Makanalua is full of overlapping jurisdiction and that is part of the problem
- HA: Interesting
 - Mahalo
- LB: Mahalo Hale
- BK: Appreciate you lifting these issues especially jurisdiction and enforcement
 - Clearly unclear and problematic
 - Any other information regarding Kalaupapa that the dept can provide
 - Others who might be pulled into these convos
 - Sounds like we may not have a series of meetings, may just a follow up meeting with a more focused discussion on what's in the lease and issues you've started to identify
 - Flaw in GMP and related process
 - Solutions in the lease and outside of it
 - Open to other feedback
- AC: Process suggestion
 - Let me know if you disagree
 - What Lori echoed to have 1 meeting to identify all the issues
 - Good starting place
 - Then figure out what future meetings should have to do deeper dive on some issues being brought up
 - Access for instance
 - Looking at what the issues are
 - What solutions could be that we could help to address that access issue
 - Thinking out loud
 - Feedback on that suggested process
- LB: I no like be the negative like everything is wrong
 - Me asking what is wrong is more of an exercise to see how beneficiaries are being negatively impacted on homestead land and how can we correct that
 - If dept is doing a hard line in sand because of...

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- Would be nice to have dept give reasons as to why they feel they absolutely have to lease beneficiaries land to fed government, then can see how we can flip that in order to have beneficiaries benefit instead of negatively impacted
- One thing is in the PA, they promised to do a lot of things
 - In lease, promised to give us the world but in agreement there's clause that says if we don't have money to do what we said and promised to do, we no have to
 - That's most egregious part of programmatic agreement
 - Really made me go pass disappointed and frustrated to angry
 - Cannot do that
 - Don't do that to our people
- No think they going do everything they said
 - They said from \$2M to \$40M in delayed improvements
 - PA says they're not contractually bound to do what they said
 - A whole other ball, but that's it in a nutshell
- NM: I remember that
 - There's fed law that requires them to say that
 - That's their problem
 - That's the law
- LB: Problem is whoever is responsible to sign on beneficiaries behalf did so and agreed
 - They said it's ok you don't do what you promised to do
 - That was my argument and why I went before the commission to say whoa don't do that
 - This is all new
 - This whole PA stuff is new
 - Nothing to do with the old lease or the continued lease
 - It's brand new
 - That's how come I think everybody never read that through before signing off our lives
 - Thank you
- NM: AC, important we go over National Historic Preservation Act and Section 106 and dig into what the PA is supposed to do and not do
 - Might be useful
- AC: Should throw that question to the group if it's worthwhile use of your time
 - If valuable to go over with you folks
- LB: Going be selfish because feel pretty well versed in the call and all of the concessions (*cutting out, not sure if this is what was said)
 - Already know they violated
 - When go over the first meeting of stuff that's wrong and try and work to correct
 - Nancy, get the timeline of when they threw everything out the window with the...
- NM: When they switched from EIS to the EA and all that stuff
- LB: That was Secretary Zinke
 - He wrote a 1 page letter
 - Threw 5 yrs work out the window

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- Go straight to PA and hurry up and get signed
 - That's when everything went south
- NM: Would love to see it if you have a copy
- LB: OK
 - Thank you dept for listening
 - I appreciate it
 - The storm is getting calm
- AC: Thank you for taking the time to share your storm with us
 - One question we wanted feedback on that we haven't touched on tonight is the participants
 - Tonight very small group
 - Key to good planning is to have as wide a group as possible
 - Also realize Kalaupapa is special and sometimes someone who may not be as familiar with or have tie to the place may not have the appreciation of the place as much as others who do
 - Want your thoughts on potential participants as we take this conversation into the future
- NM: We did have initial criteria we went to commission with
 - Open to feedback on those criteria which are on the slide
 - Also would like to hear if should be more people from Moloka'i topside
- HA: Do we know OHA's position
 - When Colette was trustee, she was active in Kalaupapa issues and raising awareness
 - Does anyone know what the current trustee's position or involvement is
 - If we going create leverage should bring as many agencies to the party as possible
- AC: Are you suggesting we invite a trustee or someone from OHA in general
- HA: Putting it out there
 - Don't know if good idea, just putting out there
 - Trustee
- CD: Would you be ok if we had conversation about identifying problems before inviting someone from OHA into the convo
 - Need to hear from beneficiary committee more about existing challenges
- HA: Trustee also beneficiary, I believe
 - Homesteader
 - To your question, I would say yes definitely, Cedric
- LB: Thanks for that suggestion, CD
 - I going tell you folks why this issue is extremely complex
 - All the nuances in all of this stuff is intense
 - Not saying nobody get... and nobody is da kine, but we been involved in this forever
 - There are people like Tricia Kehaulani Watson, 'Āina Momoma, other groups
 - Hale Ho'oku'u (*need to double check name)
 - Kupa'a (*need to double check name)

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- Some really long term engagement
- Catholic church
- OHA
 - I don't know about OHA
 - Let me think about that
 - Haven't seen that much involvement from our current trustee
- CD: I think AC's question for this right now is are there other names
 - Other people that should be part of this next conversation
- LB: Let us think about it
- CD: Who should we cycle suggestions through
- AC: Should be Nancy
 - She's been the point for the Department for Kalaupapa
 - If you can send your suggestions to Nancy
 - Doesn't have to be specific individuals
 - Could be group or groups
 - Stakeholders pretty much
- Elroy: With respect to families with loved ones there buried
 - Should look at including them in the discussion
 - They shared their mana'o at mtgs here at topside
 - Dept should have records on that and the people that were interested in continuing the discussion
 - There were lots of family members adamant of being involved in decision making
 - Which direction dept goes and NPS
 - Some weren't homesteaders
 - Some families were Chinese and thrown into the people with leprosy
 - Throwing that out now in respect to those who went through that horrific thing
 - Not just Hawaiians
 - Something to think about
- NM: Going back to 2011 and 2015, need help identifying which 'ohana
 - There was a short list
 - Having trouble finding it
 - What we really need help with
 - Weren't recording meetings back then
 - If anyone remembers which and if those kūpuna still with us or not
 - If 'ohana want to fulfill that role, we would appreciate learning those names and how to get in touch with them
- JL: Was Ka 'Ohana o Kalaupapa involved in those conversations
- NM: I believe so
 - Believe DeGray and Val were involved
- JL: Will try to track down and see what we might have
- NM: Mahalo
- LB (chat): And that is an issue in itself DHHL staff is spread thin!!!
 - Makanalua is a HUGE asset to beneficiaries that warrant dedicated staff

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- DHHL staff trying their best they need help!
- BK: Thanks, AC, for flagging that important consideration
 - Others to include
 - Appreciate folks' feedback
 - Elroy bringing in individuals as family members who are buried at Kalaupapa
 - Joseph checking out your records
 - Aunty Lori, as names come up, sounds like Nancy is the point of contact to send those suggestions to
 - Tried to compile the next steps
 - Sorry, Nancy, you've gotta lot on your plate
 - Emailing docs
 - Comparing letters in the GMP process
 - Trying to get copy of the CA
 - Sounds like team effort to check out the lease and other documents that could help
 - Strategize on how to use the lease and like Uncle Walter said
 - How to make sure DHHL has muscle to advocate for beneficiaries
 - Next meeting that has come up would focus on identifying issues
 - Clarifying Aunty Lori's question on how beneficiaries are being negatively impacted on HHL and how can we correct it
 - Reasons why the dept feels it has to give lands to fed gov't and how that can be flipped
 - Timeline critical
 - Particularly if NPS violated the lease
 - Sounds clear, but to lay that out
 - Next step is whether additional meetings necessary to take deeper dive into specific issues and identify solutions
 - Access might be one
 - Spend a lot of time on the lease itself
 - How does that sound
 - Folks don't have to answer
 - Sounds like the next meeting
 - Could opt out if not of interest
 - Curious for more feedback
 - But want to be mindful of being 4 minutes over
- LB: It's such a huge issue and Makanalua is such a huge asset to beneficiaries across the state and the continent
 - It should warrant dedicated staff to work on this
 - Would love to ask our trustee and other trustees to find monies to get help for our current DHHL staff
 - They're spread thin
 - That's why braddah Cedric get storm in his head
 - Why we ended up being behind and forced to sign the agreement

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- That's something else I like bring up
 - I like bring em up to trustees
 - Dedicated funding for this
- Thank you
- BK: Kudos to staff
 - Spread thin, but this is a huge issue
 - A lot of Importance
 - Hewa that's there and exists til today so definitely requires dedicated staff
 - On our end, HACBED will compile notes
 - Pull out takeaways and themes and share so you have access to it
 - Will work with dept team to coordinate and prepare for next meeting
 - For those interested, what would be timing for next meeting
- NM: 2 or 4 wks or something like that
- BK: Definitely 2
 - How much time do you folks need to pull some of this stuff together
- NM: Will leave to AC
 - He's helping me manage the workload
- AC: Without making NM too crazy, we can look tentatively at first or second week of October
- NM: Are there dates in that timeframe people aren't going to be available
- LB: Only get 12 of us
 - Nancy, wanted to give you heads up that HCPO is Oct 4th
- NM: Not all day though
- JL: I'll make the time
- Elroy: Will try to make the time
 - Can't make the 6th, aside from that open
- HA: Not sure, what was the time
- CD: Same time
- HA: Gone the first 2 weeks, doing repatriation
 - Then in Hana
 - Week of 20th is good for me
- AC: Not the 3rd week for me
 - That's usually the Commission meeting
 - Maybe the 4th week
- CD: Open
- LB: Eve of 21st, 22nd, or ... (*cutting out)
 - Thursday
 - Friday
 - Monday evening better than Friday evening
- CD: How's Monday eve, October 25th
- LB: Let's do it
- JL: Yeah
- AC: Yeah
- JL: 6 pm

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- BK: Mahalo everyone
 - Appreciate everyone's time

Chat

- 18:06:45 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: Aloha, Lori Buchanan from Molokai.
- 18:19:18 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: move on lol

- 18:30:31 From Andrew H. Choy to Everyone: I'm here listening. I just need to make my son a quick snack. Be right back.

- 18:33:43 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: wow...das all Nancy lol!
- 18:37:15 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: lol I have been thinking about this for more than 10 years

- 18:37:56 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: for real 3 meetings for process?
- 18:38:18 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: when is the meeting to establish what is wrong
- 18:38:26 From Nancy McPherson (DHHL) to Everyone: We're open to your feedback - if no need, no need.

- 18:39:37 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: OK so DHHL is already starting these meetings with hard lines in the sand
- 18:40:30 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: I not attending to talk about cooperative agreements

- 18:43:11 From Halealoha, Pauka'a to Everyone: I think she said hewa and not pewa, which is the opposite.
- 18:44:19 From brent kakesako (HACBED) to Everyone: gotcha -- mahalo Halealoha

- 18:47:24 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: \$250K in annual lease rent from NPS to DHHL
- 18:47:55 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: Walter you got 2 acres in DHHL....Nancy can repeat
- 18:48:16 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: The valleys are under Federal jurisdiction
- 18:49:15 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: National Historic Landscape area...it's under the Park
- 18:50:37 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: I even take offense at calling it a "Park"!

- 18:51:34 From Nancy McPherson (DHHL) to Everyone: Most of Pala'au forest right above Kalaupapa is being managed by DLNR-State Parks under DHHL license.

- 18:51:44 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: We already kissed the hand Walter

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- 18:53:06 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: Even the Department does not know all what the agreement says and how it will negatively impact Hawaiians
- 18:54:48 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: The park in their so called consultation did not incorporate our feedback. They just rolled right ahead and abruptly ended talking
- 18:55:21 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: I can happily add to Nancy's "trail of tears"
- 18:56:25 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: There is a really BAD lease yes
- 18:57:23 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: And DHHL just validated again that very bad lease by signing the PA
- 18:57:36 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: By the way what NPS did was illegal
- 18:59:32 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: DHHL should be concerned that NPS said they going take care the baby unless they no more money then they no need feed the baby. That is what the PA says they can do.
- 19:01:14 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: The Park is and has been in violation of "The Lease". Just like PTA has violated their lease, so D HHL can legally get out of the lease
- 19:02:44 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: That was illegal
- 19:03:32 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: NPS threw all 343 review out the window
- 19:04:34 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: moved to NEPA thru the PA. Everyone has a fiduciary responsibility to follow the law!!!
- 19:05:35 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: It should be simple! You own land, you lease land, you stop leasing.
- 19:06:06 From Nancy McPherson (DHHL) to Everyone: And Deb Haaland (Laguna Pueblo) is Secty of the Interior.
- 19:06:42 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: If DHHL no like take care the baby then give um to someone who wants to take care.
- 19:07:11 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: DHHL do you know what is in the PA??
- 19:07:36 From Nancy McPherson (DHHL) to Everyone: THE Chairman was briefed on the PA
- 19:08:38 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: Did the briefing explain and incorporate ALL the WHEREAS...
- 19:09:29 From Nancy McPherson (DHHL) to Everyone: Yes, but it might be a good idea to revisit them.
- 19:09:36 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: That is incorrect Mona
- 19:09:58 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: They have a robust Tourism plan
- 19:10:57 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: "the plan" calls for "unfettered access" for tourism
- 19:11:18 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: They need to make \$\$\$ to manage
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- 19:12:20 From Nancy McPherson (DHHL) to Everyone: I can email the info submittals from Aug. and Dec. 2020 to everyone - they have a lot of background info, history, outlining of concerns of beneficiaries.
- 19:13:11 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: the PA does not have DHHL as a Cooperative partner that they want to do anything for them, instead they rely heavily on TNC, DLNR, etc.
- 19:14:38 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: one of the first actions is to remove the 100 visitors per day restriction!!!
- 19:15:10 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: \$millions are being spent on airport improvements
- 19:16:35 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: \$27 million is being spent on electrical upgrades that have no renewable energy Auwe DHHL
- 19:16:42 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: Brother Dutton
- 19:17:42 From Mona Kapaku to Merri - HACBED(Direct Message): Nancy- Mahalo
- 19:19:34 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: No more \$\$\$ was the excuse DHHL used as to why NPS had to hanai Makanalua
- 19:20:47 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: Increased use from Military
- 19:21:44 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: I love LUCY!!!
- 19:24:05 From Lori Buchanan to Everyone: NPS was going to dredge the harbor to accommodate YB! What conservation organization would do that!!!!
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Synthesis

- *Desire for NPS Acknowledgement of Wrongs* -- participants feel NPS has not been a good partner for beneficiaries and have caused hewa--most recently demonstrated by their lack of regard and integration of beneficiary feedback into the GMP and lack of adherence to the required Section 106 process. Participants also talked about spending countless hours contributing to the PA process and their feedback not getting integrated there as well.
- *Postpone Discussions on Vehicle* -- given the current situation, participants thought it would be best to not pursue the route of a cooperative agreement at this time, including potential economic opportunities, until the issues and related solutions are clearer. At that point a potential vehicle or strategy going forward could then be identified.
- *Ask for Clarity in Regards to the Lease* -- participants were curious to hear more about the lease and related authority as related to the GMP and other related plans.
- *Potential Opportunities for Further Engagement* -- participants want to engage around the ongoing issues with NPS and potential negative impacts of the PA and GMP. Issues to potentially delve deeper on include:
 - *Access* -- particularly for beneficiaries and related rights and privileges, such as fishing, growing kalo, and surfing.
 - *Land Use* -- opportunities for traditional and cultural uses of land in Kalaupapa, such as growing kalo. This may also involve hiring homesteaders to lead invasive species removal and restore traditional forests, which may also include creating a separate entity to engage with NPS.
 - *Residential Considerations* -- desire for beneficiaries to live and work in Kalaupapa rather than outsiders.

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- *Tourism* -- concerns given NPS's tourism plan that calls for "unfettered access" for tourists, desire to generate revenue off of tourism and remove the 100 visitors per day restriction, as well as the potential canonization of Joseph Dutton, which in addition to current saints Father Damien and Sister Maryanne, could lead to an influx of tourists.
- *Community Voice* -- beginning with Native Hawaiian people who have a connection to Kalaupapa and expanding to others who have family buried at Kalaupapa.
- *Energy Plans* -- engaging in discussion regarding the planned electrical upgrades and whether renewable energy is a possibility.
- *Enforcement* -- coming to clarity on which entities have authority to manage and enforce specific parts of Kalaupapa, including NPS, DOH, and Maui County police, and subsequent clarity on potential consequences (i.e. do violators go to federal detention or OCCC?).
- *Review of the Lease* -- to determine whether NPS's actions as tied to the GMP and Section 106 violated any provisions of the lease and to learn if there are ways to leverage the lease to get more cooperation from NPS to work with beneficiaries. This may also involve determining other information or instruments that exist to support opportunities going forward as well as potential termination of the lease as an option.
- *Potential Legal Action* -- given a review of the lease as well as NPS's actions as tied to the GMP process and the inaction of other state agencies, determine whether legal action is an option.
- *Engaging Allies on a Federal Level* -- these may include Chuck Sams, who is in the confirmation process to become director of NPS, and Deb Haaland.
- *Land Ownership* -- discuss DHHL's kuleana as a landowner and whether the federal government and by extension NPS is the proper lessee.
- *Determining the Department's Position* -- in regards to the above issues, participants are curious about the Department's position, understanding of the lease and PA, and willingness to support homesteaders' asks that come out of further discussions. This may also include engaging with NPS to determine their goals and related activities.
- *Initial Thoughts on Others to Include the Conversation* -- in the near term individuals who have 'ohana buried at Kalaupapa should be considered and in the longer term other entities to consider include: the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Catholic Church, 'Āina Momona, Hale Ho'oku'u, Kupa'a, (*need to double check name) amongst others.
- *Support for More Capacity at the Department* -- participants lamented that the area is a huge asset and should warrant dedicated staff and related resources. They also expressed appreciation for the current staff and see this as an issue to potentially raise to the Commission.