

**STATE OF HAWAI'I  
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
DHHL Kauluwai Wells nos. 1 and 2 (TMK 5-2-010:003)  
Ho'olehua Water System (PWA #230)  
Kala'e Highway  
Kala'e, Moloka'i**

**Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Site Visit  
August 8, 2019  
8:15 a.m.**

**ATTENDANCE:**

TRUSTEE COLETTE Y. MACHADO  
TRUSTEE BRENDON KALEI'ĀINA LEE  
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA  
TRUSTEE KALEI AKAKA  
TRUSTEE KELI'I AKINA  
TRUSTEE CARMEN HULU LINDSEY

ROBERT G. KLEIN, BOARD COUNSEL

**EXCUSED:**

TRUSTEE LEINA'ALA AHU ISA  
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY  
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E IV

**ADMINISTRATION STAFF:**

SYLVIA HUSSEY, ICEO  
STERLING WONG, PRO  
EVERETT OHTA, CC  
PŪLAMA LIMA, LCH

**BOT STAFF:**

ALYSSA-MARIE KAU  
BRANDON MISUDA  
NATHAN TAKEUCHI  
CAROL HO'OMANAWANUI  
DAYNA PA  
KAMA HOPKINS

**GUESTS:**

HALEALOHA AYAU  
GENE ROSS DAVIS  
DAVID BUSH  
ELROY MOLLENA  
JONATHAN

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**Chair Colette Machado** Calls the Board of Trustees site visit to order at 8:31 a.m. Trustees present are Trustees Lee, Ahuna, Akaka, Akina, Carmen Hulu Lindsey and Machado. Excuse memos were recieved from Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa, Trustee Robert Lindsey and Trustee John Waihe'e IV.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS**

**Chair Colette Machado** gives a background on what has led to this site visit. Dr. Delwyn Oki from the USGS about the Central Moloka'i Ground Water Model and its preliminary results briefed the Trustees previously. She thanks DHHL for this opportunity to visit their site.

### III. SITE VISIT

#### **A. DHHL Kauluwai Wells nos. 1 and 2**

**Chair Colette Machado** clarifies that Moloka'i is a unique situation and majority of the lands that the aquifers are on is on Homestead lands. She shares that the long-term use and drinking quality of the water is a concern.

**Halealoha Ayau** introduces himself and welcomes everyone to Kauluwai. He is the Water Resource Management Specialist from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. He introduces his staff present, Gene Ross Davis who is the District Supervisor on Moloka'i, Jonathan Scheuer who is their primary consultant on water, Elroy Mollena and David Bush who are the certified operators that operators Public Water System 230 which is our DHHL water system. Currently it is the only system in DHHL that is operated all by homesteaders.

Kauluwai consists of two wells that are 1,100 feet deep, which requires a lot of horsepower to pump the water out. Because of that, it's the highest cost that the Molokai District Office faces because of the cost of electricity on Moloka'i. Electrical cost can sometimes run over \$40,000 a month. He points out the main infrastructures on the site, from the tanks to the pumps and their facility to chlorinate the water. He shares how water is distributed to the tanks that serve Hoolehua. He points out the proximity of the County Wells to the DHHLwells. This was a concern, as the various wells are located fairly close to each other. He states that in addition to the homestead they also serve Maui County, Meyer Housing, FAA Housing and Molokai Ranch.

He shares that they are in the process of putting together a \$30 million project in grants and loans from USDA to improve the water system. That includes an estimated \$5 million project to build a PV for the area to address the high cost of running the system.

**Jonathan Scheuer** shares that the area has a current water us permit of .367 million gallons a day. But they actually pump above that, because the actual needs of the beneficiaries and others on the island are higher than that. The new permit they are requesting will let them pump 600 million gallons a day.

**Elroy Mollena and David Bush** shares with the Trustees their protocol in daily operations as well as in times of severe weather. They also share how important the water is for the homesteaders.

### IV. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

NONE

### V. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FYI

NONE

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**The site visit adjourns at 8:48 a.m.**

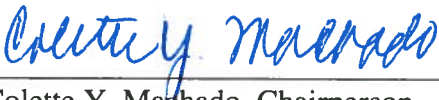
Respectfully submitted,



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Dayna Pa, Board Secretary

As approved by the Board of Trustees on September 19, 2019.



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Colette Y. Machado, Chairperson  
Board of Trustees

**Attachments:**

1. Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa Excuse Memo
2. Trustee Robert Lindsey, Jr. Excuse Memo
3. Trustee John Waihe'e IV Excuse Memo



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**OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS MEMORANDUM**

*Mea ho'omana'o a ke Ke'ena Kuleana Hawai'i*

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To: Chairperson Colette Y. Machado  
From: Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa, Ph.D.  
Date: August 8, 2019  
Re: Excused Absence

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Please be advised that I am unable to attend the Site Visit of the Board of Trustees on Thursday, August 8, 2019, at 8:15 A.M.

If you have any questions, please contact my staff.

Mahalo!



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June 25, 2019

**TO:** Trustee Colette Machado  
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.

**SUBJECT:** Excused Absence

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Aloha Chair Machado:

I regret to inform you that I am unable to attend the Molokai BOT meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2019. Please extend my apologies to the board members.

With sincere aloha,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr. Hawai'i Island

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Trustee Colette Y. Machado, Chair  
Board of Trustees (BOT)

FROM: Trustee John Waihe'e, IV, Member / At-Large

*OK for ↑*

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DATE: August 7, 2019

SUBJECT: ATTENDANCE FOR THE 08/08 BOT SITE VISIT

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I am unable to attend the 08/08 Board of Trustees Site Visit prior to the BOT meeting that same morning.

Please EXCUSE my absence and extend my apologies to the rest of the Board of Trustees.

Mahalo.