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#### Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Thursday, September 19, 2019 9:00 am

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

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

ROBERT G. KLEIN, BOARD COUNSEL

#### **EXCUSED:**

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

#### **ADMINISTRATION STAFF:**

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STERLING WONG, PRO
MEHANA HIND, CE
JASON LEES, DPM
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ALICE SILBANUZ, DPM
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KAMAILE PULUOLE-MITCHELL, COC
CELIA CONOL, COC
SHANE PALACAT-NELSON, COC

#### **BOT STAFF:**

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#### **GUESTS:**

SUSIE OSBORNE MAYOR HARRY KIM **IOKEPA** KALANIAKEA WILSON **DUTCHIE KAPU SAFFERY** SANDRA KIRKPATRICK HALEALOHA AYAU DR. NOE NOE WONG-WILSON IAN IMAI RICHARD HA KAHOOKAHI KANUHA S. KALEIKOA KAEO ELIZABETHANNE MASAOKA **GRACE BEZILLA** KEHAULANI **GEOFF SHAW SKIPPY IOANE** HARRY POMER LEAU **LOUIS HAO** 

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Colette Machado Calls the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 9:05 am. Roll call is taken; Trustees Ahuna, Akaka, Akina, Lee, Carmen Hulu was recieved from Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa and Trustee John Waihe'e IV.

We welcome you all that have come to our meeting in Hilo today. If you would like to speak, we have a sign-up sheet for public testimony and community concerns. You will have 5 minutes; I have timecards with 1 minute. If I am flashing pau please take it with aloha because depending on how many people who have signed up. We have agendized a site visit to Pu'uhuluhulu and we want to accommodate everyone today.

We will be taking out of order today the matter from Committee of Resource Management which are two referrals RM 19-13 and RM 19-16 and we will go back to the agenda which will allow for public testimony.

I would like to read into the record that the 72 Hour rule, pursuant to OHA BOT Operations Manual, Section 49, shall be waived for the following items:

- II. Approval of Minutes
  - A. July 25, 2019
  - B. August 7, 2019 (Community Meeting)
  - C. August 8, 2019 (Site Visit)

Item II. D. August 8, 2019 will be deferred. With that said let us move to item V.B. Community on Resource Management.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- **B.** Committee on Resource Management
  - 1. Action Item RM #19-13: Approval of and authorization to amend page 1 of the Investment Policy Statement and Sections 4 ("Delegation of Authority"), Section 13 ("Procedure for Selecting and Reviewing Investment Advisors") and Section 16 ("Adding new Asset Classes"). (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

Chair Colette Machado – I would like to call on Trustee Dan Ahuna.

Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to approve the amendments to the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Investment Policy Statement as described in Exhibit A.

Trustee Robert Lindsey seconds the motion.

**Chair Colette Machado** – Members the motion has been moved and seconded for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Roll call vote please.

Statement as described in Exhibit A.  Trustee Robert Lindsey seconds the motion						
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TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E						Excused
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2. Action Item RM #19-16: Action Regarding a Fiscal Stabilization Policy including Withdrawal Guidelines and the related Elimination of the Fiscal Reserve Withdrawal Guidelines contained within the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Spending Policy. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

Chair Colette Machado - Trustee Ahuna Action Item RM 19-16.

#### **Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to approve:**

1) Approve the new Fiscal Stabilization Policy, including Withdrawal Guidelines as detailed in Attachment A; and 2) Eliminate the Fiscal Reserve Withdrawal Guidelines contained within the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Spending Policy as detailed in Attachment B.

Trustee Robert Lindsey seconds the motion.

#### Chair Colette Machado - Roll call vote please.

Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to approve: 1) Approve the new Fiscal Stabilization Policy, including Withdrawal Guidelines as detailed in Attachment A; and 2) Eliminate the Fiscal Reserve Withdrawal Guidelines contained within the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Spending Policy as detailed in Attachment B.

Trustee Robert Lindsey seconds the motion.

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Chair Colette Machado – Members we are now back on the Approval of Minutes.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Colette Machado – The Chair would like to entertain a motion. I'd like to call on Vice Chair Lee.

A. July 25, 2019

Trustee Brendon Kalei'āina Lee moves to approve the draft minutes from July 25, 2019.

Trustee Robert Lindsey seconds the motion.

Chair Colette Machado - Roll call vote.

Trustee Brendon Kalei'āina Trustee Robert Lindsey sec	_	prove	e the	draft min	utes from .	July 25, 2019.	
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#### B. August 7, 2019 (Community Meeting)

Trustee Brendon Kalei'āina Lee moves to approve as submitted the August 7, 2019 Community Meeting minutes.

Trustee Dan Ahuna seconds the votes.

Chair Colette Machado – It has been moved and seconded roll call vote.

Trustee Brendon Kalei'āina Lee moves to app	rove	e as s	submitted	the Augus	t 7, 2019 Comm	unity Meeting
minutes.						
Trustee Dan Ahuna seconds the votes.			_			
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#### C. August 8, 2019 (Site Visit)

Trustee Brendon Kalei'āina Lee moves to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2019 Site visit as submitted.

Trustee Dan Ahuna seconds the motion.

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TRUSTEE CARMEN HULU LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY			X			
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#### D. August 8, 2019

Item was deferred.

#### IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### A. Interim CEO'S 15-Minute Update on Ho'oulu Lāhui Aloha and OHA Activities

Chair Colette Machado – I will call on Interim CEO Sylvia Hussey.

Sylvia Hussey – Mahalo Chair, Administration just wanted to report a couple of things. One is we recieved a letter from President Lassner late last night regarding Maunakea. We have not had a chance to analyze the letter and we will do so and get back to the Trustees. Second we wanted to ask Community Engagement Director Mehana Hind to come and provide an update on the Puna Disaster Recovery Distribution.

Mehana Hind – Aloha mai kakou. Trustee in your hot topics for Hawai'i Island there was a setion that identitified that we still had some beneficiaries who initally came in through our processing for relief aid last year but were were not able to fund because we ran out of funds already. At that time we had discussed with both Kauai and Puna that there would be a possibility at sometime that we would be able to fund them depending on developing a policy on emergency disaster relief. So it was in your packet just to keep in on our radar that we did not forget that we had people that signed up and were not able to be assisted at that time. The reason it happened so quickly before we cut it off is that were working between the our office and the Neighborhood Place of Puna to do intake and it was happening so rapidly. People were coming in so rapid that we didn't know until we had accumulated so much people and more that we had actually run out of funds already. We did notify people as they were coming in as we were getting closer, that we were going to do the

intake process, but we were not sure if we were going to have funds left. Because it was a tiered design the way that the awards were given, we wouldn't know how much each 'Ohana would be getting until they finished the process, the actual intake process. So, we couldn't plan, like Kauai it was easier it was straight, 180 families we knew because the amount was the same. On this other one it depended on how the intake was coming in that they would get either \$2,000, \$1,500 or \$1,000. It was just more so that we keep it on our radar for both Hawaii Island and Kauai and also, we had Kauai and Hawaii Island on hold until we had finished Maui too. Maui had come into the picture right after that. April flood, May eruption and then in August the Maui fires happened. We are taking them in order then we would revisit once we had a policy regarding emergency disaster relief fund.

Chair Colette Machado - Thank you Mehana.

#### III. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chair Colette Machado –We are now on the public testimony portion. I wanted to distinguish between public testimony and community concern. Public testimony is addressing items that are listed on the agenda. Community concerns allows any issue to be raised. So, the first person that has signed up under public testimony is Susie Osborne from Kua o Ka Lā Charter School regarding the Kilauea Recover which is listed as V.A.

Susie Osborne – Aloha mai kākou. It's nice to see everyone on Hawaii Island again. I just wanted to start by thanking you for all of your support over the years to the Charter Schools. Your support continues to be invaluable. Mahalo.

Today you are getting a presentation from Bob Agres about the Kilauea eruption. I wanted to just acknowledge what a tremendous job that Bob is doing in terms of his community outreach and process. It's very complicated because there are so many entities involved in terms of the County. Kua o Ka Lā, I just wanted to give you a quick update. Has both short and long term needs. We understood when we moved in to the Nani Mau Gardens, because connections had been there previously that all the compliance for the facility were in place. The land use compliance was in place so all the zoning for having a school bigger than 15 acres is a complicated process. So all that is in place. But there are some building code upgrade. That is the short term recovery need. The long term recovery is a need for a permanent facility. We hold great vision for that and we are working closely with the County. My big concern is the timeline. Because working with the County and other agencies are dismal to my control and our contrac is up for renewal this year. We need to have all those duck in a row in terms of the compliance. I just wanted to give you an update that we are seriously working with all the agencies at some point when our Charter contract goes in for renewal I might need to ask the building department Chair saying that everything was in process and I am not sure how that will play out. But it could mean a difference of staying open or closing for the school is that is not in place. Its really a great challenge that continues for those of us that are in ongoing recovery since the eruption. I just want to acknowledge that there are business challenges, personal challenges and a year latter we see with our families is that, that's the reality for everyone. The domino effect once you pass survival have emerged so its really deeply, the challeges continue even though the skies are blue and the eruptions have ceased on that level. I thank you for your open hearts and ears and whatever you kokua you can provide to the Puna Community in terms of our recovery. Mahalo.

Chair Colette Machado – Thank you so much Susie. You have been resilient, we have been monitoring since the begining. Hopefully something long term can get worked out. Keep up the good work, you have been an inspiration. We will not proceed to V. New Business.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Informational briefing by Robert Agres on the County of Hawai'i Kīlauea Eruption Recovery Process and the work of the Puna Community Development Plan Action Committee

Chair Colette Machado – I'd like to call to the podium, an informational briefing by Bob Agres on the County of Hawai'i Kīlauea Eruption Recovery Process and the owrk of the Puna Community Development Plan Action Committee.

Robert Agres – (A handout was provided to Trustees. This handout as well as a copy of his PowerPoint presentation are attached to the minutes) Aloha. I'm Bob Agres born and raised on Maui. I just moved to Hilo in September to joint the Kīlauea Eruption Recovery team. I am pretty excited to be here on Hawai'i Island. I have been wanting to be here for a long time. I finally made it.

I just wanted to give you an update on the eruption recovery process. As you all know a lot of things happened on Hawai'i Island realtive to disasters this last year. There was an eruption and the earthquakes, hurrican Lane, tropical storm Olivia and the impact were pretty substaintial. Over 700 homes destroyed, 8,000 acres inundated and then over \$100 million impact to business and farms and the like. Mahalo to the Trustee and OHA in providing relief and response. You heard what Mehana was sharing with you. Over 18 nonprofit organizations got almost a million dollars to provide support to lava survivors. You can see a range of things that were provided in assistance from food, water, supplies, to hygine kits, to meals served to getting help to get premanent housing, as well as loan applications and as well as loan support. This is the support you provided through the Neighborhood Place of Puna. Again mahalo for the grant for that. Over 100 adults and children who were impacted by the eruption were supported because of your support.

As you can see now what is happening is that immeidately after the eruption there were certian types of relief and response services there were being provided but after a year from the eruption what is happening is a lot of people self resolved. They tried to figure out how to take care of each other and themselves. But it has been taking too long. So many are steping forward and saying, maybe I didn't need help before, now I need help. So you can see the kinds of number that are increasing as of August. The County just awarded a contract to Neighborhood Place of Puna to do case management. This is going to be huge for the families that are suffering as a result of the eruption. Because what will happen is there will be case managers that can sit down with he families, identify what their needs are and then actually stay with them and help them navigate through the proceeses so their immediate needs are taken cared of. We hope the families will step forward so that we can actually provide this kind of help and support to then.

Now that relief and response has been sort of taken cared of we are now moving into recovery and long term reslilence. So these are kind of large questions that are being addressed through the Kīlauea Eruption Recovery Strategic Planning process. Its about how to build longer term resiliency, how to take care of our natural and cultural resources, improve our health and social services, pushing on economic development that makes sense for communities and truely benefits our families. Try to figure out where we build and rebuild infrastructure and where we stay out of harms way and not rebuild infrastructer. And where do we provide permenant housing that is affordable to families. When we talk about affordable hosuing, we are talking about putting families in situations where there is affordability of housing not just houses that are cheap. The rcovery planning process, the bottom line is that this will be done by the end of the year. There are three phasees to this. The first phase is identifying priority recovery goals and then identifying priority recovery objective and then the final phase is identifying specific strategies and scenarios and actions.

The starting point was the Puna Community Development Plan. That community worked over 10 years to develop that plan and started to implement it. The question to the community was, "given the eruption has anything happened that changes the goals, objective and strategies that you folks have been working on

already." That is the kind of information that we have gathering from the community. We've also been identifying near term actions, so we are not waiting until a strategic plan is done. If there are viable near-term things to address immediate needs, the resources that we have now are being applied and acted on to address community needs. This is a very unique opportunity for the community because very few communities have this kind of technical support going on all at the same time. There is a recovery strategic plan going on. There is a multi-hazard mitigation plan being updated. There is a climate adaptation action plan being developed. There is redevelopment feasibility assessment going on and in addition to that Hawaii County's general plan is being updated. This kind of is a once in a lifetime opportunity to really think about what we want to see happen on or island a push towards longer term resilience so that no matter what happens, another hurricane, another eruptions our communities will be ready and resilient to bounce forward form those things.

This is about recovery from the eruption, but it's also about recovery in a way that builds resilience. This is about resilient recovery, it not just about bouncing back to where we were before. Because what preexisted eruption was not necessarily a good situation for our families. Here's an example of that, Tutu Pele did not cause the disaster, Tutu Pele gave us more land, she created something beautiful. The disaster happens because there is vulnerability in terms of our families being in social economic situations that are difficult for them, or we unfortunately put ourselves in harm's way. We need to figure out how we address those vulnerabilities so that we are better prepared next time. A good example is that 78% there, that stands for 78% of households in Puna asset limited, income restraint and employed, the working poor is what they call it. When you talk to these families, they don't talk about themselves as being poor, they talk about themselves as being resilient. Figuring out how to thrive in that situation and so our job during resilient recovery is how do we support the families in a way that they can choose and pave their own pathways to self-sufficiency. We need to think about things like that, we need to look at the fact that 65% of the population in Puna is vulnerable, that is our keiki and kupuna.

These are the kinds of things we have to consider doing during the process. On the top is the community engagement piece and on the bottom is all the technical studies that are being done for the community so that we can put information from the community to make informed choices. Over the course of the last several months we've talk to over 2,000 residents over 400 youth, we've gone to schools, churches, employers, basically doing neighbor to neighbor talk story sessions. We took all that mana'o from the community and we cross walked it with existing general plan draft update, all the community development plans to see what's aligned and what's not aligned and how does that form the strategic plan for recovery moving forward. This is important because the strategic plan will be the guide for the community to make policy decision and funding decisions. Many people have heard about the kinds of resources that have already come into the County but that will be resources that are coming into the County probably for the next 2 to 10 year, because that is how long it takes for recovery to happen. So, involvement on the part of the community to understand and participate in shaping this strategic plan is really critical and we hope that the County and all the other State and Federal partners, along with OHA can be part of this to help Hawaii Island Community.

These are some of the examples that the community are saying about the key issues that they are concerned about. Housing is a major issue. What the community is saying in terms of housing is they need choices, they need options, there needs to be a range of the types of housing, there needs to be a range of home in locations where there is transportation and access to amenities and services. So that they don't spend a lot of money trying to get to places. Its critical as we think about housing that we think about affordability of housing not just affordable houses. Can our families actually maintain their household budget as well as keep their homes as they move forward. You can see the numbers form the surveys that were done in regard to this particular objective.

The local economy, the key thing that communities are saying is, develop a community that brings our children back so that they have work, they have a chance to do well when they come back and an economy that takes care of our families and not just corporations from outside who take our resources away. Transportation is critical especially in Puna. Mass Transit, it not just mass transit it's how do we make sure

there's equitable access and mobility. That is a critical one that people want to take care of. Gathering spaces is important for folks. So this idea of community hubs, you can see they are really concerned about Susie and her students and restoring and re-establishing permanent facilities for Kua o Ka La especially because it's a school that not only takes care of the students, but because of its Hawaiian focus on values and culture, it also provides a space for the community to understand and be more aware of the Hawaiian culture. Historical and cultural resources are critical. See this as a driver, we need to start from this space of the land chief and then figure out what does infrastructure, housing and economic development mean from there.

The same with preserving our native ecosystems. Another high priority for folks and a range of comments people had to say about it. Physical and mental health is critical. Medical services in Puna are hard to access so that needs to be addressed. One of that's really critical is the ideal of trauma. It's been over a year since the eruption and people are still suffering. Especially the children in Puna. It's something that we need to pay attention to because it's not something that is obvious but it keeps popping up during school time. You can see people when you are talking to them, they just break down and down understand why they are breaking down. It's a really critical thing in terms of the mental health of our families and children in the Puna area. Family economic health is critical for folks down there. The County of Hawaii got a grant from the Cities for Financial Empowerment to set up a financial empowerment center that will be set up by the end of this year in Puna. Those are the kinds of things we are doing.

We visited the schools and some of the key things they said are on the left side. They want better education and then that huge things, please help us develop and economy where there are real job opportunities that are meaningful to us that allows us to come back. They talk about trying to create opportunities that maybe never existed before. Examples, like Hui Mau where No'eau Peralto and Haley Kailiehu are taking care of the 'āina but then creating livelihood for themselves. Those are the kind of jobs that never existed before. But there are opportunities that create new career pathways for kids while taking care of the 'āina. What we have been trying to do is create this awai from education to workforce and entrepreneurship. But then tapping the kinds of things, those creative economic pathways that you want to push on.

Just to wrap it up these are the high-level goals and objectives. This is how we are framing it. The idea is that all of those goals, village and town center represents economic and housing development. Infrastructure ranges from transit, to water to wastewater, all those kinds of things, internet accessibility, health and wellbeing. But the natural and cultural resources are the driver, we want to take care of 'āina first and then figure out all the rest of that fits in to that. This is something that we are continuing to have conversations with the community to see how this actually realizes itself through recovery and long-term resiliency efforts. This is a network map and what is we are mapping all the range of things that the community is already doing to build resilience and to recover. We are mapping the relationships; we are mapping the assets they are bringing to the table. Then we are working with Liliuokalani Trust, Vibrant Hawaii who are also doing similar maps and we are trying to overlay those things so that we have better coordination and collaboration between efforts on the island. So that the resources that are coming in for recovery and resilience are leveraged and maximized in terms of benefits to the community.

The last thing I am going to say is, we just wanted to make you aware of speak outs that are going to happen in a couple of weeks. We are preparing for those things. October 4<sup>th</sup> will be a speak out for youth and their 'Ohana and faculty and staff of schools. So, we are really excited about that. Then the youth will bring their mana'o to the Saturday community speak out where people will get a chance to see what has been happening so far in terms of shaping goals, objectives and then these strategies and scenarios and options for them moving forward.

Council Member Sue Leeloy – Thank you Bob, I am a Councilmember for the district 3. I wanted to help Bob expand a little bit to this body that some of the work that the County Administration has been doing with the County Council. Yesterday the County Council passed resolution 271-91 and, in that resolution, we integrated what was known as our interim recovery strategy. Within that strategy it identified everything that

Bob shared but as policy maker on the County Council we used it as a tool to identify those synergies that Bob and the administration are talking about but also actionable items or policies that the council could then begin to develop and adopt. So, some of that collaboration related to mass transit, related to the reporting requirements, there is a term throughout that recovery strategy that we call the recovery report framework. But what that particular resolution did is create a template to create the appropriate language or what we call the vernacular, because we are getting funds from FEMA, from CBDG, from the State. But we found a real disconnect between the vernacular of what recover looks like from a grass roots county level and what it looks like from high level FEMA monies. So that interim recovery strategy lined up that vernacular so as we began to get some of those monies through FEMA, through CBDG it fits real nicely then we can really stand up and recover Puna. I stand ready to answer any questions from the Council side, Bob and his team, we are very cognizant of the Community Development Funds for Puna along with a tool coming forward in our general plan. That we can begin to start truly recovering Puna. I offer to his body is that interim recovery strategy and maybe opportunities for OHA to fill in the gaps where private sector, Government or Community cannot fill. That is where we would lean on community partners like yourself.

Trustee Keli'i Akina – Thank you I am Trustee Keli'i Akina that was a terrific presentation. My question would be for either Robert or Council Member, what really struck me is that this is really more than just a recovery plan. This is a plan for the future of this area Puna and the island. I really appreciate the fact that you honed in on the importance of letting the economy develop in a way that keeps our children here or gives them an economy to come back. You spoke of a very important value of being 'Āina based but you also spoke of the importance of having an economic development and jobs and so forth. What kinds of economic development can we pursue that is still 'Āina based that people will support and yet will give jobs for our children to come back. Thank you.

Robert Agres – So that's the multi trillion-dollar question. For the speak out what we are doing over the next couple of weeks is that we are doing some mapping exercises with folks who have very specific technical expertise, cultural expertise, who have local wisdom, local knowledge so we are mapping all that kind of stuff. As an example of the wahi pana in Puna is a tricky one because there is no inventory of that and yet the community knows there are many wahi pana that have been lost. One of the things we want to try to do is at least understand what is or what was lost. What should be kept sacred, what can be shared with our youth and residents to better understand the mo'olelo place and the like and then when something like that happens, there is an opportunity in the way that makes sense to share it with people who come to visit us. Immediately after the eruption we need our tourist back because all our businesses are closing. The same time people were saying was we don't them running around on private property, putting themselves in danger and went on and on like that. So this is the opportunity for a chance for the community to start thinking, and this is not just Puna but island wide, how we sort of rethink those kinds of economic endeavors that we had before and make it make sense for us but then still provide livelihood and economic opportunities for the community. So that goes for creative place making, that goes for visitor industry that is more about ho'okipa, that is about research so there's unbelievable things that happen as a result of the eruption. Like opportunities for research to better understand what is going on, how do we take care of, those become job opportunities and careers for our young people. We had two Kamehameha Schools interns this summer to help us with recovery, two brilliant young people, in the short time that they spent with us they just contributed immensely by doing research and producing all kinds of things, participating in meetings. At the end of it they said, we never dreamed that there could be things that we would want to come back to and actually work on at home. We just assumed that we go away to school and then we stay away because in Puna no more nothing. But now they thinking there might be something here. That is like a very big answer to your question because it is a journey for our community and our island to really think about this. That is why this is a unique opportunity that this gift Tutu Pele provided to us gives us a chance to step back and then bounce forward. To push on stuff that we never could before because there's resource like we've never seen, we cannot do the same old because it wasn't working and that's why our families actually suffered as a result of the eruption. That is the opportunity that we have now to work together and be creative and innovative. I know that is not a straight forward answer but there are lots of people who are starting to work on it and trying to figure out what the opportunities are. Susie has some concrete answers.

Susie Osborne – This is a little premature, I wanted to do a whole presentation on this latter. But just as a potential example. In our vision of our long-term future with Kua o Ka La, we are embracing the concept of a resilience, we want to get past surviving and then to thriving. Not only as a school but for our community. So taking the next step of having really deep collaborations such as our collaboration that we are developing with Ku Kanaka, Social Enterprise and Ecoversity which is a new paradigm in university that is developing, continuing the development of aloha 'āina leaders with skill sets that are 'āina based. So, in this collaboration with a facility that we hope to secure there will be the training and the opportunity to develop new industries, culturally based tourism and social enterprises that are cultural driven.

Chair Colette Machado – Thank you so much Bob and Council Woman and all of you that have come. We will move on to our community concerns. So much to digest Mr. Robert Agres. So much hard work you have done and it's so enlightened see some of the words that are being chosen, resilience and all those good things in the future for our community out there in Puna. With that said members and the community we are going to proceed now into community concerns.

#### VI. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Chair Colette Machado – Our first speaker is Mayor Harry Kim. Followed by Iokepa of BTC and Kanaka Ranger. I want to thank Mayor Kim for housing us in this facility and also, I wanted to thank the Laupahoehoe Hawaiian Civic Club for providing our breakfast this morning.

Mayor Harry Kim - Thank you very much Madame Chair. This is the second time I am approaching you. I truly thank you for the privilege and honor you are giving me this time. I was hoping that by this morning I would finish what I wanted to give to the Governor and make you the first body to receive my finished assignment. Not on joke on this it says version 109 and it's not the last. I will finish it hopefully this week. Because that was the time frame, I thought I could finish it. Before I get on to the presentation, I know there was a lot of impatience by people, why you taking so long. But I think you understand this was a huge impact, it started in 1983 when I was in charge of Civil Defense. I was sitting there and adding up all the numbers within this small area of Puna we lost over 1,000 homes by this eruption which started in 1983, the bulk of the Kalapana destruction was in 1990 and I will never forget that day. I called an emergency meeting on April fool's day. After I set that date, I realized that April Fool's Day was the date of huge tragedy of 1946 and I thought I should have called it earlier or later. We lost only over a 1,000 homes and thousands of acres but what is important, which I know you do know better than me probably, is our lifestyle of a very special Hawaiian Community in Kalapana. That was lost, we will never get over because empty hole, and this just puts another hammer in that hole. A 1,000 homes is a lot and thousands and thousands of acres is a lot. But to me what was more important is the lifestyle that can never be recovered and a lot of that was from the Hawaiian community.

In regards to what I am going to talk about today is related to that. Our lifestyle, what is happening. I was hoping I could finish this and present it to this body, which I consider, at least for me, the most important body. As the people who have worked with me know, I said from the beginning I had a lot of assignments in my lifetime, but nothing was more important than trying to resolve this in a good way. So, with my gratitude to you for giving me this opportunity and participation in the meetings of past, I would like permission to read what I have finished. What it is, the cover is a picture of Maunakea, and it has a picture of a heart on Maunakea which I saw over 60 years ago and I thought what a beautiful and special symbol. It is a symbol of a huge heart on the slopes of Maunakea. And I ask when you have the time, if you want to see something that will I think really impact you, what you feel, but take a look at it hard and this is what I wrote back in 1960. The heart of Aloha, the all-encompassing image of the heart and the mountain of Maunakea so well

symbolizes the most precious and beautiful of place and people. For those of you that know my involvement on this particular issue on where do we go with Maunakea, you know my public statements were made well before it was an issue. That first public statement that I made was back in 1980 before the University of Hawaii when they were going to expand. I will jump forward to this brochure which I am going to finish is this week and I promise you will be given immediate copy.

The title of it is, A Way Forward. This presentation is beyond a yes or no of the TMT project. This is about asking Hawaii's people to come together and find a path to go forward in a good way. In recent years the Hokūle'a gave birth to a phenomenal Hawaiian cultural renaissance, reigniting the Hawaiians' desire to discover, grow and explore new frontiers; with this, the pride of the wisdom and courage of their elders. In recent months, Maunakea has added to this remarkable Hawaiian cultural renaissance, the Hawaiians' identity and the pride of being Hawaiian and with this the reverence and sacredness for the total environment. When respectfully integrated with a comprehensive understanding of Maunakea and Hawaiian culture, astronomy can be such a catalyst for positive and transformational changes in Hawaii. Under the leadership of dreamers, innovator, and an awakened community, this can be the leverage for not only Maunakea issues, but to understand and address wrongs of past to make us a better people and place.

On the last page, is what I wrote some time go and made many, many versions of it and this will be final. The caption of it is, My vision for Maunakea. This is what Maunakea I feel can be for the world. As glorious as that may sound, I really believe every word I wrote here. Every word that is here is something I wrote, but every word is something of ideas and feelings that I stole from other people. A lot of it is people from Hawaii. This is what Maunakea can be for the World. Maunakea to be a symbol of nations working together for the pursuit of peace and harmony, a beacon of hope and discovery for this World. This is not just about Science. It is about combining Culture and Science. It is about respect and caring. It is about a quest for knowledge that will make us a better people and a better steward of this World. It is about Hawai'i to be globally recognized as a cultural and natural treasure. Hawai'i, a place on this earth where people live together peacefully and respectfully in harmony with nature. This is about Hawai'i and the cosmopolitan people (people of the world) where diversity is respected and celebrated. This is about the recognition of a deeply painful history of intrusions on the First Nation of Hawai'i, the Hawaiian people. Which today are reflected in issues such as Maunakea. It is about the wrongs done to indigenous people of the world whose scars remain fresh. Maunakea to be an opportunity for the gift of aloha to be presented to the world to make us better. This is about the mountain bringing people together.

Below that I listed the initiatives that I thought can be addressed to make us a better people. They are:

- Cultural Treasure: Create a major cultural center to protect and preserve the historical and cultural specialness of Hawai'i and its people.
- Science: Create science programs that emphasize the inseparability of nature and culture.
- Education: Create educational programs that connect the wonders of science to the minds of children and adults.
- Management: Establish an umbrella management authority that gives strong deference to the voices of the host island and the Hawaiian community.
- Beacon of hope for the world: Be a model of how the people of the world can live together in harmony and the opportunity of Maunakea of becoming a global beacon of hope, peace and discovery.

On the bottom of it I put a quote from Aunty Pilahi Paki, which when I first read it, I thought how true it is of Hawaii. For those who have been around the world you know, just look at this room, just look at this table, just look at any meeting and see the mix people. But because of the Hawaiian grace of allowing us to be a part of this place is true. No place else in the World. I brag about my one and only granddaughter, her name is Kira Kailani G. Kim. She is 9 years old and she goes to Kamehameha. She is Scotch, Irish, English, Portuguese, Filipino, Hawaiian, Korean. I feel that is the specialist of this place we call home. Aunty Pilahi's quote, "The World will turn to Hawaii as they search for World peace because Hawaii has the key and that key is aloha." I am no fool to the controversy on this slate, as I came in, I saw special people that I think we are friends with.

Yes, we have differences on how we get there, but I think they know, I told them a thousand times, I hope I am not your enemy because truly you are not mine. I thank the protectors for bringing to light the problems that were there. And the things that I am going to suggest to you for your help will hopefully bring something positive. Because what is happening up there is something nobody wants a polarization of the people of this land. I thank you for your time.

Chair Colette Machado – The next speaker is Iokepa with the Beneficiary Trust Council and Kanaka Ranger, followed by Kalaniakea Wilson.

**Iokepa** – Good morning, Aloha kākou Trustees. Today I bring to you guys a concern. I know you guys; we've been in contact for a few years now. And what I always came to you guys with on behalf of the Beneficiary Trust Council wait listers, our kupuna cannot make it from 6 districts, which they do make up our Sunday meetings for the last 5 years or so. But now it's been getting increasingly hard because of the occupation that is taking place on the mountain. So today once again, this is like the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> time within the last two year I came to you guys with the 'āina mauna legacy. The 'āina mauna legacy in the back there is a support letter from OHA, Liliuokalani Trust, Hawaii Economic Development Board, Chambers of Commerce, the Army and the Royal orders. So, all of these things are already supported back in 2009. So, Uncle Sonny Kaniho is the only applicant waitlister that got on the land. Uncle Sonny Kaniho has the only house on the land, and so the 'āina mauna legacy which was brought forth to us through Uncle Joe Tassel, Aunty Moani and those kupuna. They put this book in our hands 5 years ago. Talking about solution, actually predicting what was going to happen up on the mauna. That is actually what they were doing when they gave us the Āina Mauna Legacy.

This 'Āina Mauna Legacy is your guys' fiduciary duty as well as the Department of Hawaiian Homelands. So, a few years back we came down to Oahu many times to the Board meetings and we also gave you guys a Koa Kukia'i Pilot Program for the Humu'ula Sheep Station. It was a overview of the Aina Mauna Legacy which we, as Moku o Keawe waitlisters and homestead associations had meetings up on Maunakea with DHHL. I am pretty sure you are all aware. Aila was there and the Department with Jobie Masagatani. Within this proposal it lays out just a small fraction of what the community access of section 211 in the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, which is the purpose of a community pastoral. So its listed in a red section it bascially states that the 2,000 acres on the left hand side which is to be used as community pastoral. To be determined for homestead and other use programs. But we wante to focus in on the community aspect. Because there has only been one community pastoral ever in the 100 years, its on Molokai, we don't have that out on Moku o Keawe and on the other island which we highly do, we know its discrimination. Because you guys can't be doing these things only on certain islands or only one time deal. So these things, what Uncle Sonny Kaniho and the Beneficiary Trust Council Kupuna for over the years living on Moku o Keawe, they wanted to address these issues.

So when we put up Hale o Kuhio, you guys were aware of the things that we were doing. And we promised three things that came of off a cetifired DHHL meeting. We voted on four things to be immeidately effective after that meeting.

- 1. Gorse removal, which you guys spent money on and you guys should be looking in to these things.
- 2. Accelerating Homesteads
- 3. Security
- 4. Commuity Access to pastoral and commercial use.

These four things that we already voted through a consultation of beneficiaries was neglected. Not only neglected, so when we decided to erect Hale o Kuhio it was to bring forth the data that the Univeristy and the State of Hawaii and OHA and DHHL has failed to do in a span of "x" amount of years to improve the roads, to have these datas to be safely for our homestead and the use of natives to these parcels were being neglected. So the data that we have collected, the historical Humu'ula Sheep Station was burnt down. That was burnt down by Mr. Pacheco ex-DLNR agent that runs tourism up there. But only now that we brought it to light after they burnt it down a historical site, there was no investigation on this. That was just one issue of non native. So we have this other issue of the data that we collected going up the mauna.

Its so astronomical that when we put a fee on it, we actual have income to sustain our Native Hawaiians in these ventures. I don't believe you guys have been keeping track of a lot of these things even though you guys already are committed. This is just reaffirming you guys commitment for the betterment of the Native Hawaiians and their commnity and their families. We have this issue now on Maunakea that people in high places that need to speak up. So you guys, OHA, you guys have fiduciary duty to speak up for the waitlisters who have not had access to homestead use and to homesteads. So Hale o Kuhio we need to have a full investigation how did that play out because that is theft of a community. That is a community sector that we all sponsored, waitlisters on this moku to bring forth the data. We have the data of the cars, and we know that the lua is insufficient since the 80's or even before. So, the income of traffic and carbon footprint to that mauna is insufficient. So, when we start putting up this parking lots, and we start doing these other recreational, we have no accountability to these things. The State already had an obligation to do this. So now we are looking at Government Officials doing extreme measures, forcibly taking out property, more than one time, we had it down twice. These are the concerns that we need you guys to put an end to.

We need you guys to put an end to this. We need to you guys to actually start inquiring an audit upon Ige and his financial disclosures with the Long family that I am creating these kind of things that OHA has to support. Not only that the Lyons' case with DHHL and William Aila the way that he conducts himself. These things are uncalled for. We need professional clarity. We do not want Trustees or these other CEOs in these Native Hawaiian positions that want to attack, steal and lie about things that we know. We have the math in my backpack. This is what we carry. We know who owns the road, but we can't be having people put up now, 4 years after the data is collected and start telling the story. Our kupuna already worked the tireless hours and over nights to have these data. That is all we humbly ask of you guys to reach out to our kupuna to see all of these illegal things that have been done to us and help us get the Āina Mauna Legacy on its track. We need graveyards for the beneficiaries. Because the list is getting longer, every day pass we lose loved ones. So, I can just humbly ask you guys to relook at your Āina Mauna Legacy documents that we gave you guys over the years and lets implement it. Because we've done the work and we just your guys' help to push forward on this. Mahalo.

Chair Colette Machado – Next we have Kalaniakea Wilson also representing the Beneficiary Trust Council and Kanaka Ranger. Followed by Aunty Dutchie Kapu Saffery.

Kalaniakea Wilson – I am Hawaiian, I'm a beneficiary and that's how you would present and honor one of our Kumu, Kupuna Aunty Pilahi Paki. To me when I see non beneficiaries talking before the Hawaiian OHA, without allowing our kupuna beneficiaries to speak that is downright disrespectful in our Hawaiian Culture. Kupuna always come first is what I learned. So hopefully next time you guys start any meeting from now on you honor King Kalakaua's composition the Hawaiian Kingdom National Anthem, Hawai'i Pono'i. Everybody rise and everybody sing, King Kalakaua's composition that was meant for the foundation of international relations with the Hawaiian Kingdom. Every time you guys don't do that its disrespectful to Moku o Keawe, Puu o Hau where the 'Ohana is residing so please start the meetings off right with oli, with mele from our Kings and Queens and not just Christian pule because not everybody agrees with what Christianity did in our Hawaiian Community.

Today I am going to share with you guys a few concepts. Just remember this throughout my presentation. Genocide is the system of coordinated attacks. Americanization always seems to replace Hawaiian control over all Hawaiian things. That results into Government corruption today, Civil Right violations and discrimination under US Constitution. I give you guys context and History. 1843 Hawaiian Kingdom established, 1893 illegal overthrow, everything from there is illegal. So braddah like talk about trauma, let's talk about 127 years of trauma, not just last year from the eruption, cause that's what hurting everybody today. Hawaiians, kupuna continue to die on the Hawaiian Homelands list. Hawaiian teens have the highest rate of suicide today they not even living to adult. 1902 Prince Kuhio he opens the Royal Order of Kamehameha, 1905 the County of Hawaii, 1918 Hawaiian Civic Clubs, 1920-21 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. That is

Prince Kuhio Kalanianaole heir of the Hawaiian Kingdom. 1959 you guys have to remember where you guys come from. Is the Constitution of the State of (conversation indiscernible), which embeds the obligation of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act in their constitution. So, the year after that Department of Transportation, DLNR, UH, they all started mismanaging Maunakea. They all start stealing, making money and the money doesn't go to you guys. It doesn't go to the beneficiaries. Where is all this money going? \$80,000 per viewing hour times 13 telescopes. You guys come up with the numbers, its big numbers.

Hawaiians should have free tuition, housing, health care, (conversation in discernible). 1978 OHA you guys were created. You guys have an obligation to the 1959 Statehood Constitution, you guys have an obligation to the 1920 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. Which is an Act for rehabilitation of the 1892 illegal overthrow. You know I know one thing you guys funded since 1978, Federal Recognition. You guys been funding that in the millions. And every time fail, I hope we not going to go through that again. 2014 Beneficiary Trust Council Kanaka Rangers began work on Maunakea. 2015 BTC Kanaka Ranger we went into the UH System and changed every campus, put up an ahu and an inverted flag to talk about the trauma we've been receiving for over 127 years. That you guys seem to neglect. 2017 BTC Kanaka Ranger, DHHL Homestead Association President had a meeting with DHHL on the three things; accelerated Homesteads, gorse control, pastoral lease. 2018 we put up Hale o Kuhio and started to collect the data on the road. We knew we owned the road. Because before any of this we spent 5 years going to all the homestead association meetings, learning from all the kupuna involved with the Hawaiian Commissions Act on this island. That is what we are presenting. We went to our kupuna first, see what the concerns were, tried to put it all together, package it into one nice package but we not getting support. 2019 Trustee Lei Ahu Isa signed the Beneficiary Trust Council Rehabilitation resolution and said we are going to move forward and put in a toll at Maunakea Access road. We still waiting for our meeting.

We went down there, we asked for a meeting with the Beneficiary Advocacy Committee, no one is contacting us. I don't know how many emails I sent to you guys. If you guys had a meeting with us none of the arrest would have happened on Maunakea. If we showed you guys the laws, the documents, the TMKs and the jurisdiction we wouldn't have the problem we have right now. We was proactive in our efforts. So that something like this wouldn't happen. Unfortunately, it did. And now its bringing out every Hawaiian moral, ethical, choices and decisions that we all made. That is what it all comes down to. Every kanaka is measured by their moral and ethical decision of who they are as a kanaka and who you guys are from your kupuna and also me. 2019 we went to Waimea DHHL meeting and explained to the commissioners and chair, this is the jurisdiction, we own the road, we are putting up our toll booth, thank you very much. He said DOT owns the road. I said no, we own the road. We got to educate Kai Kahele, four meetings at Hale o Kuhio about who owns the road. That is not my research, I have to give it to the Homestead Association President on this island and their research that came before me. I'm just the person you can target right now. 2019, after we explained to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act and the Chair that we owned the road, they crushed our house, Hale o Kuhio community hale. And all we was doing was volunteering work. All 50 percenters because we are waiting on the list and our people are dying. How come you guys no look shock or scared or some kind of urgency? How come I the only one feel the urgency when I hear about all the kupuna dying on the list. That is your guys obligation to fulfill or the timeline of how you guys were created.

Then the keiki library gets crushed. Where we like lock and secure some really expensive things. We need to move forward. We need to work together but we have to stop the lies, we have to stop the Government corruption. We got to stop all the negativity, the genocide, the Americanization, that continues today in our lands in all areas. Economic, Education, everything. So that is why I am here today. I would like you guys to, do you support the Beneficiary Trust Council and the communities of the Hawaiian Homestead Associations on this island and our work, please raise your hand. Mahalo, it's as simple as that. We kanaka face to face. But we get some serious, serious things coming down. To criminalize our kupuna, hewa kela. To do it on Hawaiian Homelands, hewa kela. To put them through the strain and stress of our kupuna leaders, cultural treasures. Come on, why don't you guys stand in front them and get arrested, please. Because our kupuna shouldn't go through that. I have no power; I have no money but I spend all my volunteer time trying

to help out my family members that bring up concerns. We need action immediately. Don't transfer the road from the beneficiary on Moku o Keawe to the Department of Transportation. Please don't support that. It's our road. And we have the plan we've been following, it's the 'Āina Mauna Legacy Plan, we have the community up there to do the work. Just allow us to do the work. Stop law enforcement from harassing us, stop Government from harassing us and attacking us. Because we need to save our people. Our people are dying and its very serious. Mahalo.

Chair Colette Machado – Mahalo. Aunty Dutchie Saffery followed by Sandra Kirkpatrick1:20:00

**Dutchie Saffery** – Mahalo. It is so not like me to ever come to speak. I am here to listen. However, I was sitting back there. Someone I looked up to happened to say to me that he was asked to speak. A voice said to me to speak here. I heard the voices I needed to hear. Everything is hidden and this is in the word. For those of you who are not sure everything hidden should be brought into the light. I am going to share this with you. I am 80 years old. I don't even know who I was until I went up to the mauna. I leave home at 4 am to be up there by 5 so I can start with the program at 6 am. I was only taught about pilgrims and everything not us. Sitting there on the mauna I learned who I was. (conversation indiscernible)

When I went up that day, I went in the tent but it was full. I sat out there on the lava and I witnessed our kupuna being carried out and getting into those vans. Blessing of us who are here today to witness all that is being brought forward. Its kapu aloha that is us as a people. That is what we are here to remember what is happening on the mauna is who we are born to be. It's in our DNA no one in the World has it. The World is watching kapu aloha. What his happening the same time, Hong Kong, China, protestors, protectors. I trust media, I used to. Protestors, Hong Kong, protectors and yet our media here continues to write Maunakea is being protestors. My trust is what you say is true, but it wasn't. They continue to call kapu aloha protestors. That is out bloodline, that doesn't mean that others that have choose to be part of our 'āina (conversation indiscernible) that is why when I listen to Mayor Kim, I feel his heart. That is why the Hokūle'a went around the World. The land of Aloha with the spirit of Aloha to the World. That kapu aloha has touched their shorelines. I am grateful you are all here today. First to hear what I heard and to hear what our young people are still fighting.

Uncle Sonny gets his land, he is in his 80s and he doesn't live long enough to enjoy it. Did anyone research how old he was when he applied. My father always said, for us never to apply to Hawaiians Homelands because we were blessed my mother's father left his land to us. He said we have property that land is for our families. My sister who tried to get her records passed on to me, they canceled the meeting I had in Hilo. For emergency they are going to call to reschedule. They don't call back. In the meantime, my sister goes back to Hana she dies. I tell you I take my niece; they tell me I have to have a 50%. I am 80 years old; I have to find a 50%. I have somebody 100% who was on the land, but she gave up her land, because all her children qualified. She was a total stranger to me, but she lived with me for 27 years, I trust her. I put her on. Why am I denying me at 80 to put a 50% on. Because I tell you right not the 25% is a recipient, and awardee, they have not changed that blood quantum. What is going to happen to their children? This is the kind of things that come before you, but we have to look at someone above that. This is what is lacking for our people. Why do I have to question? I asked this of the person. You know what I was told. That the State Legislature, passed to go down below the 1/4. And where is it now, its locked up in congressional. Is this going to repeat and repeat itself? When is someone else in the right realm, that is you folks? Truly it is in your laps to right the wrongs of our people. We are the generation to correct it for these young people. They have the facts and they speak the language. I stand here truly believing what has been hidden in the dark is the time to be brought into the light. It is on your laps no body else's, because you OHA has been formed to protect everything that has been wronged.

I look toward you to at least hearing any of us who spoke today. Take it to heart. For those who are so against the missionaries who came and changed, I am not even going to defend them. All that I say is what I am

saying to you, it is the time that everything that is hidden be brought into the light. I trust that. I trust that you hear the word, if you don't then get a bible. Mahalo. Thank you so much for allowing me to speak.

Chair Colette Machado – Sandra Kirkpatick followed by Elizabeth Matsuoka.

Sandra Kirkpatrick – I wanted to thank the members of the OHA Office for spending their time listening to everyone's concerns. Even if you're not Hawaiian. I have congratulated Mayor Kim. I thought that was a touching well thought out caring speech about humanity. Not just Hawaiians but humanity. About people's highest aspirations. About how Hawaii can show the world, Hawai'i's gift to the world is aloha. That is one of the reasons I moved here when I retired. Because I know that aloha and it touched me. I may not have been born here. I may not have the proper blood, but I am certainly felt the aloha, I loved it. It certainly made me want to be here and continue to experience that. To me, when the Mayor talks about the internationalness that is possible here that the TMT will bring here. That all these different nations got together to work on this particular project. It is furthering the Hawaiian ability to belief or spirituality that started off a thousand years ago when they navigated the stars. The telescope is using stars to bring answers just like the old Hawaiians used to. So, to me it's a beautiful continuum. It is perfectly fitting that it should be on the mauna. I know it's not the favorable opinion here, but its mine and I think it's a lot of other people that feel that way. Hawaii is an appropriate place to have that. I know that Mayor Kim wants, that Hawaiians can see that and can continue to hold on to that aloha and continue to offer it to the world and will see the value of having that telescope here. Even though a lot of other things have been attached to the telescope that it has nothing to do with. I hope that people will be able to move forward and see the value, not just in Hawaii but worldwide. Certainly, that is my hope and I hope that you can feel the aloha in my heart. I do love this place and the people. I will be trying my best to bring that aloha out and continue to have if affect the world in such a positive way as it has. Thank you all for listening.

Chair Colette Machado – Elizabeth Masaoka followed by Dr. Noenoe Wong-Wilson.

Elizabeth Masaoka – Aloha Trustees. My main focus today is about a proposed spaceport in private land in Keaau. (Please see attached testimony and handouts)

Chair Colette Machado – Our next speaker is Dr. Noenoe Wong-Wilson followed by Halealoha Ayau.

**Dr. Noenoe Wong-Wilson** — Aloha Madame Chair and the members of the Board. I am so happy to be here. I am happy that you are in Hilo and our moku today. I am here as a Maunakea Kupuna and I am here to first mahalo all of you for the support that we have received for us taking a stand on the Mauna. I know it was probably not an easy decision to support us a few months ago when we began our stand. But we really do appreciate what we have received and hope that you will continue to do that. I also urge you as a full board to really consider your statement of support and hope that you will be willing to support the lāhui as we stand for our children, our moʻopuna to take care of our 'āina. As well as basic of our beliefs in our Hawaiian culture, in our kupuna and in our history. I urge you to come and visit us, especially today if you have the time this afternoon. So that you can experience the mauna for yourself and you can come and see the people that stand there.

Ordinary, everyday Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians who take it upon themselves to come up to the Mauna and learn what it's all about. And not listen to the rhetoric that you might see in other places or the very biased news reporting of who we are. Sometimes calling us protestors. You will come and find that we are ordinary people, many people that have never held a protest sign, never stood on the sidewalk, never even rallied in support for anyone in political office. They go about their business every day, working hard, taking care of their families and being good citizens. Something has attracted them to come to the mauna and find out what this is all about. They don't even understand what their na'au is telling them. What their na'au is asking them to do. When they come, they witness what is going on, they participate in our protocol three times a day, they talk to the young people and the old people there and they weep, for what they lost in their lives. What they

have lost in their attachment to what 'āina means to them, what the possibilities for our future are standing on kapu aloha. So, I urge you to come. I want to acknowledge Trustee Lindsey who stood next to us and was arrested that day. And those of you who have been to the Mauna to visit us, Chair and Trustee Dan Ahuna than you very much. For those of you who have not please take this opportunity.

I want to remind you that the governor still has closed the mauna to the public and the public are native Hawaiians, hunters, cultural practitioners, and the occasional tourist who tries to go up there. That mauna has not been closed by us. We are sitting on the road only for one reason. We sit on that road to stop TMT trucks from going up and causing further desecration of the mauna. We are not there to shut the public out and we certainly have not received the access that we deserve as practitioners, as public as native Hawaiians, we are allowed one vehicle a day. While 30 to 40 vehicles with astronomy partners, all their support, contractors go up daily to work on the existing telescopes they have not been impeded with their access. All law enforcement goes up, we wave at the national guard who resides up Hale Pohaku, we wave at the sheriffs and the Attorney General's officers and our DOCARE officer who we have become very friendly with. We have lived with them for 69 days. And we love them. Even though they are guarding the cattle guard not us. What I am telling you is that this is still an issue. Our people and our hunters still have no access to the area. Their traditional practices, their ability to feed their family off the land and we have to sit and negotiate who gets to go up to bury their people to spread their ashes to do their pule, because we are only allowed one car a day. We've asked the Governor why; he says he doesn't quite know. He thought we were blocking the road. We had to tell him we weren't, and he seemed confused about that. If there is anything of the many things that can be done by the OHA board, one of them is to make sure that the mauna is open and that our people have access. Mahalo

#### Chair Colette Machado - Halealoha Ayau.

Halealoha Ayau – Aloha, I am a 4<sup>th</sup> generation homesteader from Hoʻolehua Molokai. My great grandfather whom I was named after was from the original homesteaders in Kalamaula. Based on that responsibility I stand here today in the following. I wanted to kakoʻo the earlier testimony by Iokepa and Kalaniakea with regard to the Maunakea access road. They are absolutely correct. The assertion that the road does not belong to Department of Transportation isn't just an assertion it is a truth as a matter of law. I am here in my capacity of a beneficiary not as an employee of Hawaiian Homes.

The land is still owned by Department of Hawaiian Homelands as is acknowledged by our Chairman. The only way an entity can exercise any authority on Hawaiian Homelands is through a disposition, one that might be approved by the Hawaiian Homes Commission. So, if you are a lessee that disposition is a lease. In the case of DOT, they will require a license agreement. There is existing license agreement. It is with the Department of Transportation but that is for the easement which is the Daniel K. Inoyue that goes through the Hawaiian Homelands. Just that portion. Unfortunately for the argument, this means DOT has jurisdiction on Maunakea Road. It excludes Maunakea Road. We live the Trump era; you repeat the same lie over and over again at some point people forget it's a lie and think it's true. DOT does not have operational jurisdiction over the road because they can't as a matter of law. So that is one way if there is a disposition, there is none.

The other way which the AG is opining is by the operation path 14. That was a law that was passed in 1995 by the State Legislature after a State Agencies, was engaging in the unlawful practice of taking Hawaiian Homelands without authorization from the commission and using it without compensation to the Trust. It's not an opinion, that is a result of a Fed/State Task force findings in 1983, it is also a result of the Governor's task force in 1994. So, you have State agencies often times going by the executive order of the Governor, regularly taking Hawaiian Homelands without authorization form the commission and without paying for it. Maunakea access road is Hawaiian Homestead Lands. University of Hawaii stole it from the Trust by building a road over it and never paying for it. They did it without authorization. They still haven't paid. So here you have a situation where you have the presence of Hawaiians on the road that was taken by the State of Hawaiian, by

the University of Hawaii and never paid for. Act 14 was intended to address that situation. If you read the Act it identifies and itemizes all the different lands the State took.

Does anyone know what the assessed value of those lands, the total value of the land that were taken from the Trust? Just over a billion dollars. So, you have the State of Hawaii taking Hawaiian Homelands valued at over \$1 billion and Act 14 says we are going to settle this for \$600 million. I was never good at math, but I can do that. So, the trust takes a \$400 million hit. The standard is fair market value, if they took a billion, they would have to pay billion. They say the operation of Act 14 transferred all of DHHL's ownership of those lands to State. Therefore, DOT has operation jurisdiction on Maunakea. That cannot be true also as a matter of Law. Because the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act is a federal law identifies the process you must go through to exchange land. One key requirement of that is you have conducted a consultation just Kalani and Iokepa stated.

#### (conversation indiscernible)

I have extreme respect for our commission, but we are going through what I call an identity crisis. It's not quite sure who it is and despite a lot of public testimony to explain to them that they are not like other State organization, you are treated like one, but you are not. Your origin is from Federal Law, not State Law. So, if the State of Hawaii tells you to do something that contradicts your Federal duties under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. You are not obligated to follow; in fact, you have the duty to challenge it. Challenge Act 14 or being consistent with the following. The Federal Trust duty to protect the Federal Trust corpus. Meaning the land inventory. So, the State takes land from you, you are not required to sell it to them if that is how we going to settle this. You get to say no, that is how you protect the trust corpus. Trust duty, you have the ability of exclusive loyalty to your beneficiaries. TMT issues are not Hawaiian Homes Issues.

We are at a critical point, law enforcement if preparing for a major action. Here is the problem with that, the Governor doesn't have authority on Hawaiian Homelands. That is why you have Act 14. If the Governor gets to proceed with this action, engage law enforcement to arrest kia'i on Hawaiian Homelands including beneficiaries, the problem with that is he would violate the authority of the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Only they can issue that order.

The Commission for some reason won't engage. So, this is my request, please, please, urge your colleagues at Hawaiian Homes Commission to avail themselves of all information regarding this case. One critical piece is the Commission Act of 1994 and passed the motion authorizing the transfer of the lands to Roads and Highways including Maunakea road. But they preface that transfer of authority of their portion of interest on the State complying with the settlement. That is 24 years ago the State never complied. The State never paid \$5 million they would say they would pay for roads and highways and they never initiated the land exchange. After 24 years, the Department is now announcing that the State is going to comply as a beneficiary I say the deal is off the table. If there is any form of noncompliance, then the commission rescinds it authorization and avails itself of all legal remedies. I am urging them, they don't realize there is a standing order by their commission, I am asking this board if they would urge their counterparts at Hawaiian Homes to comply, follow your Federal Trust Duties, recognize you are in a compromising situation because the Governor of the State of Hawaii appointed you but he is also trying to exercise control. Commission has to be separate, there is no reason the commission shouldn't be in that position. It should be in a process similar to OHA, through the election by beneficiaries, using only beneficiary money so you don't run into the Rice situation. That's the only way we separate ourselves. The last point I wanted to make is inherent conflict of interest, with the attorneys that advise the commission, are the same attorneys that advise the people are on the opposite of the table of, DOT, DLNR, State Planning. That is inherit conflict of interest, not to say these are bad people but there is a compromising's situation because they advise, the defendant of the State of Hawaii while giving the appearance of doing the same to the Commission. That is a conflict and the only way that can be cured is a law that requires independent counsel for the Hawaiian Homes Commission. So, work hard with your counter

parts to step up to the plate and the best way to obtain that clarity and courage to do that is go to the mauna. Mahalo.

Chair Colette Machado – Our next speaker is Ian Imai followed by Richard Ha.

Ian Imai – Aloha, thank you for letting me speak today. I am from Keaukaha. I support the TMT. Basically, because my daughter is one of those who want to come home. She went to college and educated herself, she got an engineering degree and she got hired by the University of Hawaii. She made her husband get a job here, but she is still stuck in Honolulu. Unfortunately, my wife died a year and 4 months ago. She thought she was coming home. Education starts at home, if we teach our children, what is Hawaii is supposed to be the land of aloha. We are chasing away international people what kind of message do you think we are sending out the to the rest of the world. I understand the protecting of the land and they have the right. But I am trying to get my daughter home and she is also involved in the project in Puna the airport. It's another one, because the TMT was taking so long, she jumped on that also. She truly wants to come home to try get more work here. She just wants to get more work here on the island, better paying jobs. We all don't want to be working at McDonalds for the rest of our lives. I paid for her education, she did a lot herself with grants and scholarships. Like I said education does start from home and if we teach our children (conversation indiscernible). It's a matter of economics she is just trying to create more jobs here. A lot of you have seen her on TV on the commercial for UH. I am here for to show the people here, we live on a Big Island and it's something special to all of us. I spent some time in the Armed forces, but I came home because there is no place like home. Thank you for the time and thanking you listening.

Chair Colette Machado – Richard Ha followed by Kahookahi Kanuha.

Richard Ha – Aloha. My name is Richard Ha I am a board member of perpetuating unique educational opportunity. PUEO is the acronym. PUEO is the only native Hawaiian entity to enter the contested case hearing supporting the TMT. We also support Mayor Kim's vision. Our president is Keahi Warfield. He is getting his Doctorate degree in Hawaiian Studies. He is all about keiki education. The other board members are Patrick Kahawaiolaa President of the Keaukaha Hawaiian Homes Community Association, Bill Brown President of the Panaewa Hawaiian Homes Community Association, Tom Osorio, Bob Lindsey, Heather Kaluna she went to Pahoa High School now she is an instructor at UH Hilo Astronomy Department. Mailani Neal who some may remember Mailani she was the one that testified in favor, she was a high school student then. Skibs Nehls everyone knows him on the Big Island for taking Honolii County Park and transformed it into an example of community service. And everyone knows Kalepa Baybayan.

I was a commercial farmer for 40 years. We produced 6 million pounds of bananas as well as 1 million pounds of hydroponic tomatoes. My focus now is on community development projects. We just formalized a native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce to empower Native Hawaiian Businesses. Basically, the pluses exceed the minuses when you give back to the community. We want to help and enable that. I also am on the Board of HIIC nonprofit affordable housing organization as well as Keaukaha Community Assets which helps community folks deal with stuff that is really basic to a lot of people but for some people they really need help. It's a community base organization in Keaukaha.

PUEO supports cultural site center above the clouds. A place with Aloha education and sustainability is the model authority of what takes place on Maunakea. Astronomy is not the primary reason why things happen on Maunakea. We basically want to see Hawaiian families be the model authority for things happening on Maunakea. This could be a place where the Hawaiian language school could provide a pipeline of instructors to help the world learn who we once were. (conversation indiscernible) PUEO has noted that OHA has given funds to the anti TMT folks at Pu'uhuluhulu, we pro TMT supporters are Hawaiians too and would like to ask for support from OHA as well. We are all volunteers with limited funding to pursue our vision. We want to elevate Hawaiian values to the highest level possible.

This is a personal note. I am involved in energy issues. We need to be mindful of energy. Nothing happens without energy. Most of the US oil supply is supplied by shale wells, 60% of the oil comes from shale wells. The problem with shale wells is that 90% of what will come out of the well comes out in less than 4 years. That means every 4 years you have to drill a well to stay even. There is about 100,000 of these wells on the mainland. It is a short-lived thing. You guys saw what happened in Saudi Arabia, it basically tells you this is a scary world we live in. We are lucky we have geothermal. We have to replace oil, what do we use oil for 1/3 for electricity, 1/3 for transportation, 1/3 for airplanes. Geothermal can replace for electricity 100%, clean, renewable and the earth is the battery. It's basically a free resource that we have to us. It's going to come; things are going to start to happen pretty soon and we have to be thinking of many different things besides what we are doing right now.

The reason I am here is to ask how we can get funding on behalf of PUEO. Thank you.

Chair Colette Machado – Sylvia could you direct Richard on our process.

**Sylvia Hussey** – Can do. We also want to clarify that the beneficiary resolution passed by the Board supported beneficiaries' health, safety and wellness, so it's not a specific mechanism for either side, it's a support mechanism for the beneficiary piece. We just also wanted to clarify that. But I can talk story after about the granting process.

Chair Colette Machado – Our next speakers are as follows, Kahookahi, followed by Kalekoa Kaeo followed by Skippy.

Kahookahi Kanuha – Aloha mai kākou and mahalo for being here. I want to mahalo Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey who was with us on Maunakea she stood with the people. I want to mahalo Trustee Dan Ahuna he was there as well. Mahalo you Chair for the time you folks too to come up to the mauna. For taking the time to come and stand with the people and speak with the people and feel the people and the 'Āina. That is up there on Maunakea. I want to Mahalo OHA for the support that has been provided to Puuhonua o Pu'uhuluhulu. OHA has played a vital role in the ability to sustain ourselves during this time. I just want you guys to know we recognize that. We appreciate that, and we mahalo you for that.

With that being said, we know, I think all of know that OHA doesn't have the greatest track record with the people. Historically speaking. I am no saying that any of you are responsible for that. It's safe to assume, to say that is the case. And what we have right now is something that none of us have ever seen in our lifetime. Whether you are kupuna generation or the mo'opuna generation. This is something unique, this is something special and this is something that will be remembered I believe in our history. It is something that not going to be recognized with our people, in our own islands but something that is recognized across the world. People are looking to us as an example. So, when we talk of the quote of Aunty Pilahi Paki about the world will look at Hawaii to see the true meaning of aloha. We are not talking about sometime far away. We talking about right now. The world is watching the world is looking. Even those who may not agree with the stance that we have taken they cannot deny the way that we've taken the steps. They may not agree with the reason but the way in which we've done it they recognize and appreciate.

One of the reasons I am here is to ask OHA, humbly and respectfully to take the next step. And that doesn't mean more logistical support. To me it goes back to the same thing I asked in 2015 when I went to the OHA offices. When I went and said we are not here to ask for money. We are here just asking for a voice of support for unity. Don't be left out of this historical, monumental time in our history. I know and people may disagree, I know that TMT will not be built on Maunakea and I know they will not be built on Maunakea because of the stance of the people are taking and will continue to take and the way that we take it. I want to ask OHA to at least bring this question back up to a vote. At the very least, bring I up to a vote, allow the people to come and to share their mana'o and to allow the Trustees to have their voices heard. And in the end the position is the same, the position is the same. But we are not going to get any differences in results if we

don't try. I want to humbly ask you folks to move in that directions. To ask OHA again to take a stand, to take a position on TMT in support of it or not. I know that OHA has played a tremendous role to hold the State, the DLNR, the University accountable for the 50 plus years of mismanagement on Maunakea. The truth of the matter is I think all of us can agree, that TMT and the building of that telescope is by no means disassociated form the historical mismanagement of Maunakea. It's just not historical its current. It feeds into it continuously that mismanagement. If the building of all these small telescopes and all of policies of mismanagement, then we know that TMT is the biggest. How does that not fall into that line of thinking of mismanagement. I am asking you folks to realize that the building of TMT is not separate from the issue that OHA has already taken a stand on. It's just a continuation of that and its furthering that mismanagement. The more mismanagement that occurs and the longer it occurs the harder it is to erase and get back.

So, we've never seen anything like this. If there is a time for OHA to maybe take a step off the path it normally takes I think this is the time. I'm not saying this is a 100%, we obviously hear people here who are in support of the TMT, but this idea that this is such a polarizing issue, I don't think that is necessarily the case. I think the case is when you go around 90% of what you see is support for Maunakea. The reason why people want to say its polarizing is because they've never such strong support. We've never seen the sacrifice. We've never seen so many people at one time, leave their jobs, leave their families, leave the comforts of their homes, spend a night on Maunakea, it's not the most comfortable place to live. We are not doing it because it's fun. We not doing it because it's comfortable, we've been doing it because, we know, we believe that that is what is necessary. It has to be done. The truth of the matter is if we had not taken that stand of the past 69 days, construction vehicles would be on that mountain. Our mountain would be, just like you saw the image of the Hawaiian flag, being sawed in half, on that so-called illegal structure. If that get people riled up what is going to happen when they saw our mauna in half, when they dig and desecrate. The Hawaiian flag as much as I love it is a piece of cloth, I can't eat it, it doesn't feed me, it doesn't give me water. But our 'āina does.

So, what I believe is August, that the people have awoken, rose u and took a stand like you never seen before. I know like I said earlier, when this is all said and done, this is going to be a time that is never every forgotten. It's going to be just like 1893, its going to be just like Kahoolawe. The question is where is OHA going to be in the mo'olelo. Are we going to be in it, are we going to be out of it, and if we are in it, what role are we going to play in that mo'olelo. Are we going to be the Hawaiian institution that said, you know, sorry we no can help. Are we going to be the Hawaiian institution that changes this, the idea the framework, the actions the precedent of Governmental agencies and their relationship with kanaka and 'āina. Because I believe that if OHA takes a stand that each and every one of you who stand in support just like movement will go down in history, you'll do down in history too. You'll go down in history as someone, even if it wasn't popular, even if it wasn't the call of everybody who did something uncomfortable like the kia'i on the mauna are doing and stood with the people and stood for our 'āina. I humbly request that we take this position up for a vote, that we be allowed to relook at this situation, and I hope that we can make the right situation. To stand with the people, stand with our 'āina, protect our Maunakea. Mahalo nui.

Chair Colette Machado – Our next speaker is Kalekoa Kaeo followed by Skippy Iaone.

Kalekoa Kaeo – Our people have awakened. Our people have risen. That must be acknowledged. First, I want to mahalo Aunty Hulu who stood with us. Also, hand to my brother Dan 2, he is our good luck charm we no get arrested up there. I'd also like to thank Trustee Colette for coming up. I really appreciate, as I understand perhaps will happen soon, all the Trustees and staff will come up. To really understand what is going on the mauna you have to come to the mauna. Do not believe the hype from the so called Governor Ige who continues to lie and portray us in a way to dehumanize kanaka as if we are animals. Who need to be put into cages and brought off that mauna. As if standing for what is right, pono for the 'āina, our keiki, our mo'opuna is regressive. I will submit racism is regressive. Those days are over, we will never allow a TMT corporation or anything like that the TMT corporation, they should hear us loudly. You have to remember this is a foreign corporation, their headquarters are in California, India, China, Canada, CalTech, Japan. This has

nothing to do with Hawaii. They may have selected certain Hawaiian pawns to be part of their process. But let's speak the truth. As my brother Kahookahi said, this is a monumental time.

As I said just like when the first canoes left, and they made that choice some stayed behind, and some got in that canoe. That is the same question when I look all of you today. That is the question I put to you. Will you join the people? The lāhui has risen, and if you cannot see that or feel that then perhaps you should look at another position at representing our people. Because there is no denying what is going on in the community. I can tell you firsthand I cry everyday up that mountain of what I see and experience every day. One day I seen a young high school kid come out to ceremony followed by leaders, followed by Hawaiian motorcycle organization. I watch and participate and dance hula on that ala nui. When you see these guys with their patches, these kane, the pride they have you cannot but cry to see what is going on up there. This has been the most unifying, spiritual, cultural time that is ever existed. Since 1897. We are witnessing, we are living this moment.

I ask OHA, again I thank OHA for the support. But allowed the support for logistics. Whether you support, what OHA has done is help us to stand together, to gather together, to dance together. For the first time in history. So, no matter what they do to us, right now it doesn't matter. Its only what we do as a people that counts at this point. This notion of science and culture. We must be clear I am a big proponent of science. Because I know our culture is based upon science. Science isn't only owned by Europeans, not just by Americans or Japanese or Indians or Canadians. We have always been scientist. I invite you to our lectures at Pu'uhuluhulu University. From the opening lines of kumulipo is based upon science. So, any foolishness that somehow tells us that this is our culture did regressive about science you been had, you been fooled. That means you don't understand your own culture. Because if you truly did, there is no way you could accept, they don't own science. Science belongs to all humanity. But science can be misused. I can go down history and talk about bad science out there. Let's be knowledgeable about our own culture. This is what our people are defining for ourselves. I often say that we must also remind ourselves in this gathering kapu aloha has been the glue, the cement of our people. How shall we be victorious? By all the love that is necessary. That is how we will be victorious. Love for mauna, love for our lahui, and more importantly love for our mo'opuna to come. This is what this is about. I never want one day for my mo'opuna to look up, and we tell our mo'opuna one time before Hawaiians used to go up there, we used to have a sacred mauna called Maunakea, maybe they can read it in Wikipedia in the future. I don't want that future.

We should recognize this watershed area. Right now, kanaka are being denied. Supposedly we have a State constitutional right, that is what they tell us, and what is OHA doing about it. This is the first time in history that our people have ever been denied access to Maunakea. What you think about that? First time in our history in these islands, our people are being denied the right to access, even under their constitutional rights. The Governor does this without a peep from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. That is what troubles me. I encourage OHA to ask the Governor by what authority is he denying or hunters the right to access. Cultural access, religious access, where you can witness our kanaka being denied right there at the gate and you can see one astronomer drive right there. Astronomer from Japan, Canada wherever they from they can come and get their car and you watch them drive right up. Protected. So, discrimination, it is going on purposely against just kanaka right now under OHA's watch. I encourage OHA to say something about it. I also want to ask OHA to speak on our behalf of the kia'i, the protectors, kupuna, mothers, daughters, sisters, brothers, fathers and keiki who reside up there. As I said I am recent resident of this island for two months I been up Maunakea. Where our people have gathered, peaceful assembly of protest in kapu aloha and we are threatened right now with being removed by dangerous, including military tactics are being planned right now.

When the Governor's press conference he talked about these hyperbole words with attack. If you planning to use helicopters and tear gas and flash grenade, I like tell you right now, ask the Governor himself. Have they used that in their planning I would tell you. I would be happy if he said no, they not at all. I know that is not the truth. I am here to speak the truth. Are we going to wait till they do that to our people before Office of Hawaiian Affairs makes a comment. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs stands with our right in kapu aloha to

(conversation indiscernible) As human beings we should not be treated with threats of violence and military force upon a peaceful assembly. I ask OHA to use your voice, to demand that the Governor not employ these kinds of tactics upon our people. They are also using counterintelligence measures with the police to attempt to instigate trouble amongst our people. Why? Because they understand, in order for them to justify and legitimatize using that kind of military violence on our people, they have to falsely create this image that we are like savages that need to be quelled using even, including the national guard. Office of Hawaiian Affairs again tell the Governor to refrain from using this kind of language to try to portray us in that savage like way to justify their evil deeds. Just last, it also came out the Office of Hawaiian Affairs should also approach President David Lassner and the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii System, the biggest pushers of the TMT, who have faculty representing the TMT have spoken on behalf of the TMT. It's an institution of racism that has festered, protected and allowed to occur at the University of Hawaii. That mentality hasn't been challenged. We should never allow that sick ideology and supremacy at our institution which sits upon our lands. I encourage and applaud the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to come stand with the people, work together, unify, lokahi, get on this canoe, this canoe is ready to sail. E holo kākou.

Chair Colette Machado – Skippy Ioane followed by Grace Bezilla.

Skippy Ioane – I no can chant. But I can tell you this, Colette look my hair and look your something wrong. What I like talk about is how come for so long others, if we never have shit for 10 years you would think would be misunderstanding. But if we never have shit for 200 years something up. You know what I mean. This never just occur. Here is my point, I like you guys create a committee for find out what kanakas took the bread. Now for 200 years the kanaka no can go on the land. How come? Who they went pay off to keep us on the waiting list. To me in my opinion something wrong with that. 200 years, I don't know how many 100 but 200 sound better. For so long the kanaka get nothing. There is some corruption in kanakaville.

You know what I mean. The kanaka took the money. This the chicken shit kanakas. When Queen Liliuokalani got overthrown it started then. The haole was paying off the titas and braddahs. And they went overthrow the Queen. They never only use haoles, they went use some kanakas. So, what I like you guys look for now. Find out who went sell us out. How many people on the waiting list? 30,000? How come nobody know? You went pay somebody not to know. How come we don't know how many kanakas die waiting. More better go Vietnam you get paid. But my point is, why this nothing is so prevalent for our community. You know what Kalekoa said is good. Smiling is nice, aloha is nice, to me sacred is your life. When you die it's not sacred for you, you need sacred when you make. Before I die, one I like my land, but I like you guys make a committee, go FBI, CIA, FUCKYOU whatever it takes go get somebody to figure out who the corrupt kanakas in power. How come Hawaiian Homes just so dumb? Are they born dumb? Or did someone pay them to be dumb? How come we get alas for so long? Alas is just a prevalent thing in our community. So, who you think off the top of your head? Do you know who took the money and went turn the other way?

I just like know who took the money to keep us standing still. Million-dollar TMT (conversation indiscernible) something is up over here where we staying still. Standing still is a martial art. When you get pilikia put yourself in neutral and the world going spin under you. Serious now, why we standing still. I not saying you guys lolo, or Hawaiian Homes dumb but something is occurring that is keeping us getting jack shit. You know what I mean. We keep on getting nothing. How come you guys no investigate? You guys know who selling us out? Got to have someone selling us out. Or you encourage kanakas to break the law. Current middle finger stick it in the air if you care. We getting jack shit, investigate who get the deep pockets or the corruption so deep. The corruption has to be so deep that we staying still. I can only blame the haole. I see the Japanese and the Micronesian had to flee I see them in the line with me. They cry and ask me why; I tell them I don't know cause we getting screwed too. I implore to you guys I like know, we infested with rats. Somebody keeping us in neutral. So please give them a solid fuck you. No scared, goodbye. Find that snitch and I like know where the money. How come we no can go no place? Why we stay still so long? If it was an accident, we can blame anybody. But old Hawaiians said blame yourself first, then look for somebody else to

blame. Who keeping us in neutral? No blame banana. There is a kanaka in here keeping us standing still. I wish you guys good luck in your endeavors to keep your middle finger current and holomua. Aloha.

Chair Colette Machado - Grace followed by Kehaulani.

Grace Bezilla – Aloha kākou. My grandmother told me to come today. She is not here today, and I believe that my grandmother is each and every one of your grandmas and their grandmas and their grandma's grandmas. But I am also here today for my future mo'opuna and your mo'opuna and your mo'opuna's mo'opuna and forever more. In front of you I have something I was told to bring. It's a lokelani. It's really hard to wake up, it's really hard to get a shower, to brush your teeth, to make a meal, get your kids to school and drive. These things are so simple, have become super hard. I don't know if anyone here feels that way. But if you do and if you agree that is been hard raise your hand. So many things that can be said, and so many things to say. But today I was told to make it this way. This show a lot about my ability to function today. I honestly wouldn't have been able to do this three days ago. This is really simple but really valuable.

I would go on to say it more valuable than our houses put together. I want to you to look at this. This came from the tree in my yard. (conversation indiscernible) Why, because I haven't been able to focus. At least the past four years. The past three days and I took off and I freed myself from own feeling of oppression. Why this is so valuable is because I remember planting this. It was maybe 20 years ago. This had protected me and my family for this long. That lā'ī came from one else. Now in order to make this I would have to have some kind of training. Someone taught me to make this. For me it was my grandma. Who my whole life, she was in a wheelchair, her whole left side she couldn't use. But she was a weaver before I was born, and she taught me. She has been gone since 2009 but that's not what is important. Someone taught it to her, and someone taught it to them. I may not know each of you but whoever you are there is something that is Hawaii to the very core about you. There is something when you look at it, it reminds you of a generation before you. Some 'ike that has been passed down to you that is of so much value to you that you cannot wait to teach your keiki. That you struggle everyday with the hope and the dream that one day you will be able to teach your keiki and hopefully your mo'opuna. Whether its fishing, hunting, wa'a, all of the 'ike Hawaii we have in each and everyone of us.

Now what is more important than that is the 'āina. We need 'āina. This 'āina, Hawaii, plus ike, knowledge that's been passed down by all of our kupuna, that have allowed us to feel and have this sense of understanding and deep knowledge, a foundation that leads to understand who you are as a kanaka. If you have the 'āina removed from that, let's say I am talking in some future that I hope never comes. Where Hawaii and Hawaiians don't have 'āina, all of this, everything that comes with this, and everything that you love that makes you Hawaii, Hawaiian it's not there. Fast forward generation what do we remember, what is Hawaii, what is a Hawaiian who are those people? Fast forward more, I don't know what Hawaiian was or who it was or where it was. This feeling is why I have a hard time to brush my teeth. This feeling of nothingness, or no Hawaii, no Hawaiians. But it's so vivid for me that it makes functioning for me so difficult. And why, because I am a product of Kula Kaiapuni. Because I went to University of Hawaii at Hilo, I have my bachelors in Hawaiian Studies. I am working on my Masters in Hawaiian Studies, Literature and Language. (conversation indiscernible) I told them I was under stress. The next was the first semester on my thesis. I haven't been able to finish it. If you remember that feeling that I dropped everything, that is the feeling I've been trying to not hold and trying to function in this world. Because I see so vividly.

Seeing all of these people who I have come to know as pillars try to discern which pillars are telling me truth. I see that because I see a lot of hypocrisy. My whole life is strongly based in all of these Hawaiian pillars of what is Hawaiian. In today's world I was taught to stand up for truth. It's hard to function in another level because I don't know any more. My own family doesn't know how to help me. On days when I can't make it past. Whether you are Hawaiian or not you are deeply affected by this TMT. Everyone is affected by TMT. So, if its yes, build it are we saying we are going to allow Hawaii Community to be in this State for at least for 10 years. Why don't we just stay home, why don't we just do the really easy thing, say no. Say yes, have

strength, courage, belief in what our kupuna taught us and know that 'āina is enough. 'Āina will always be enough. Āina has no dollar value, there is no amount of money that will compensate for the healing that can do. That Hawaii 'āina can do for Hawaii. Our healing is in the 'āina. It's getting kanaka on the 'āina. Anything that we do that is not doing that is hurting all Hawaiians. I urge you guys to please keep this, take it with you when you have time to think about difficult decisions, take a breath, think about the long run, generations from now, think about what is pono for Hawaii and Hawaiians because 'āina can always heal us. But if we don't have 'āina what do we have? If we don't have 'āina what do, we have. Mahalo.

Chair Colette Machado – Kehaulani followed by Geoff Shaw.

Kehaulani – I am really emotional here. I think that is a common denominator here. Its pain, we live in pain that pain brought on us 500 years ago. We live as slaves. I grew up in California. I tell people they treat me like a princess. Anywhere I go other than Hawaii, I am pretty special for being Hawaiian. I come here and they want to smash us like bugs in our own Country. I am not here to make any pleas to you. As far as I am concerned it will fall on deaf ears. Your job is to perpetuate us. Not perpetuate the lie, the theft, not perpetuate the crime. My heart goes out to the sister that just spoke. Because that is what we are all feeling. Our children have to live oppressed. Our children have to grow up and say we are not going to have a future. That's why they are killing themselves they have nothing to live for. You guys took on this role for us. Three of you taking it to heart. Skippy asked where is the money, it's in your pockets. All of you who do not stand for Hawaiians, it's in your pocket. All of the police that stand against us it's in their pockets. Everyone who says I am taking a role of authority to look out for the people here and do the opposite, the money Skippy is in their pockets.

Money shouldn't be the focus. The will of the people should be the focus. We are the people you work for us. Our focus is no more eradication. No more lie, no one believes them anyway. No more games, no more pretending to care. No more speaking in circles. These are our lives. In reality the people are the only remaining branch of Government. United States is merely a corporation. They incorporated themselves in 1871 under European Bankers. The State of Hawaii is merely a subsidiary of this corporation. Subsidiaries have no standing; we can easily shut them down. We have no government. Our monarchy was stripped. In the Hawaiian Kingdom we had a Government. In the Continent we have no government. Unless you consider the Iroquois their government and their land, or the Cherokee, or the Hopi or Navajo or Lakota, or where I was born in Northern California Ohlone Nation. That is the de jour government in the continent otherwise its merely a corporation. This is merely a corporation. The people are the only remaining branch of government. We are the government, and we are the ones with the power, we are the ones with the say. Right now, in this time history, yes, may amazing epic things have occurred in the Hawaiian Kingdom, the only difference now we have social media. So, the whole world can watch and get behind us and they have.

(conversation indiscernible) To echo the sentiment of the kupuna who came with the bible and said that everything will be brought into the light, I want to answer that. This time and for the last 5 years, 200 years, it's the time we separate the sheep from the goats. Hard to tell those apart, but by their behaviors and attitudes. They will be separated; one goes one way to the good place and the other to the not so good place. The sentiment here today is what side are you going to be on. Are you going to walking with the sheep or walking with the goats? Are you going to go to the good place because of your actions or you going to go bad place because you chose the money over the people? Thank you.

Chair Colette Machado – Geoff Shaw followed by Harry Pomerleau.

Geoff Shaw – Speaking today about Pohakuloa Training Area once again. I was at a forum over a month ago and we were talking about legal issues related to the Pohakuloa Training Area and Ku Ching was there and brought up, he thinks tenants' rights were being ignored there. As it turns out I looked at the Executive Order, mainly we were talking about the lease, and I hope you guys are keeping the States feet to the fire about the lease. Because the lawsuit was, the State lost that twice. They have to do what needs to be done. But even in

the Executive order, it says at the end of the text it says subject to valid existing rights. So, does that not include tenant rights? The rights don't get honored unless you demand those rights and that's not the way rights work. Rights are something that are inherit. They don't see it that way. For 55 years they been doing what they want. It's time for them to end. Maybe that should be the number job of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Is making sure that the right that have been granted are actually honored. Because those rights are being ignored. People shouldn't have to go to the court to have the rights verified. It should be the other way around. Thank you all.

#### Chair Colette Machado - Harry Pomerleau.

Harry Pomerleau – I've participated quite a bit in the cultural activities. Even though money isn't supposed to be your concern you are supposed to be looking out for the beneficiaries. I think it's easy because there is so much concern about the money that it would be easy to follow the money to find out the things that Skippy mentioned. If you follow it, you will find your way to the problems. I lost my house in Kapoho. I have Aunt still down there. When we got the land, we searched it all the way to where it was a Royal Deed. So, there is a lot of conflict. Realize that the money is there because it's been taken for so long it is there. For the gentleman that was looking to get his daughter back on island for the TMT. I would caution him that he is selling himself short, I know he wants his daughter back home, but he is selling himself short. Because really the people deserve so much more than what they are getting. I think that as people show their own interest whether they are pro TMT or not or even down to the Puna recovery. Follow the money, because it's not getting down to some people. My son actually goes to Kua o Ka La and we had a difficult time and they had to move out. My son is still struggling trying to get into UH so it's not all getting down. All the money you guys are distributing is not getting to the people the way it should. If you follow the money, you'll find where the money is going then you will be able to prevent the bleeding that is going on. I appreciate all your time. I encourage you guys go to the last protocol because it's a moving experience. It's wonderful to see everyone from around the World participating and giving their support.

#### Chair Colette Machado – Our last speaker is Louis Hao.

Louis Hao – Thank you very much for being here this morning. My name is Louis Hao, I am representing myself. The last time I came before the board I asked for your help with Hui Mālama o Na 'Ōiwi. At that time, you guys gave us a grant for \$6,000. We been in Kau for three years now. I am thanking you because we have \$300,000 from OHA. I want to thank you for that. I was a former Trustee, I served for 10 years I represented Molokai. I want to thank Colette not only for the money because two years ago Hui Mālama o Na 'Ōiwi was on the verge of being decertified as a (conversation indiscernible), I came to you Colette, help me, help Hui Mālama. I want to thank you now, because Hui Mālama have gone through 6 months of correctional compliance. I want to thank you for that because I asked you to hold off your dog because it would have prevented us from moving forward. I want to thank OHA for our \$300,000. We were created by congress in 1988 to be one of the health services agencies in the State of Hawaii. (conversation indiscernible)

You know in 1999-2000 we hired the services of Lea Hong who represented us to file a lawsuit against the State of Hawaii for Maunakea. It got us into a position up there. 19 years, I don't know what happened. I wanted to say that we've come a long way.

Chair Colette Machado – Louis, I wanted to mention that Sylvia Hussey is representing OHA at Papa Ola Lokahi.

**Louis Hao** – You are going to be a welcome sight. I enjoyed working with your mom. Thank you very much for giving us your support.

Chair Colette Machado – Louis, don't thank me personally it takes the majority of the Board, I don't want you to keep thanking me cause it doesn't take just one Trustee.

Louis Hao – I know, I don't know everyone here, but you the main person. You control the stakes. You can tell who to get off and who to get on.

Chair Colette Machado – The grant that you received was a competitive grant so you folks did very well.

Louis Hao – Thank you. We were competing with other agencies. Mahalo nui loa.

Chair Colette Machado – Hilo Community we heard over 20 speakers today. We also had the presentation form the County of Hawaii and work being done in Puna. This afternoon we have a site visit, everyone is welcome to attend with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustees and staff to come to the mauna. I want to thank everyone for coming out. We were supposed to be at the NOAA museum and when I found out that is where they were going to have our meeting, I don't think we could do it. This facility was already reserved for the fair coming up. So, through the efforts of the County and our Hilo office and Kona office were able to secure the perfect place. The room and the parking were just wonderful.

#### VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FYI

None

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Colette Machado – With that said the Chair would like to entertain a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey moves to adjourn the meeting

Trustee Robert Lindsey seconds the motion.

Chair Colette Machado – Roll call vote please.

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TRUSTEE LEINA'ALA AHU ISA		113				Excused
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TOTAL VOTE COUNT			7			2

#### Chair Colette Machado adjourns the meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 12:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna Pa. Board Secretary

As approved by the Board of Trustees on November 21, 2019.

Colette Y. Machado, Chairperson

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**Board of Trustees** 

#### Attachment:

- 1. Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa Excuse Memo
- 2. Trustee John Waihe'e IV Excuse Memo
- 3. Handout as well as PowerPoint presentation from Robert Agres Recovery Goals and Objectives
- 4. Testimony and handouts from Elizabeth Masaoka
- 5. Emailed Testimony from Same King
- 6. Emailed Testimony from Veronica Ohara
- 7. Emailed Testimony from Jack and Marti Lockwood
- 8. Emailed Testimony from Cheryl Ernst
- 9. Emailed Testimony from Karen Murayama
- 10. Emailed Testimony from Nā Lau'ō o Ka'akepa



#### OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS MEMORANDUM

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

To:

Chairperson Colette Y. Machado

From:

Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa, Ph.D.

Date:

September 16, 2019

Re:

**Excused Absence** 

Please be advised that I am unable to attend the Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2019, at 9:00 A.M. due to my doctor's recommendation that I refrain from all activities because of a medical condition.

If you have any questions, please contact my staff.

Mahalo!



# STATE OF HAWAI'I OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS 560 N. NIMITZ HIGHWAY, SUITE 200 HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96817

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Trustee Colette Y. Machado, Chair

Board of Trustees (BOT)

FROM:

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

as for

DATE:

September 13, 2019

SUBJECT:

ATTENDANCE FOR COMMUNITY MEETING, BOT MEETING, AND

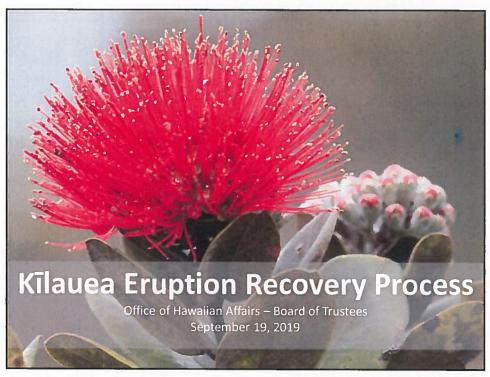
SITE VISIT TO MAUNA A WĀKEA ON HAWAI'I ISLAND

I am unable to attend the 09/18 Community Meeting, the 09/19 Board of Trustees meeting, and the 09/19 Site Visit to Mauna a Wākea on Hawai`i island due to conflicts in my schedule.

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

Mahalo.





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## 2018: Year of Disasters

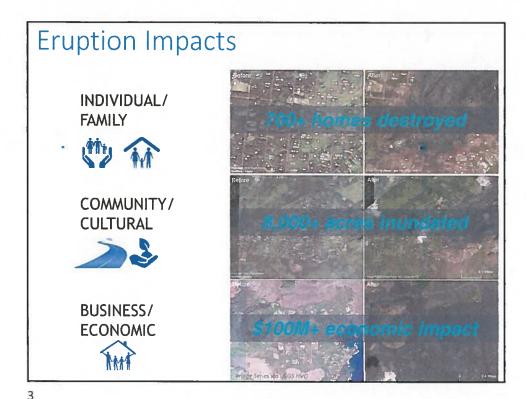
Hawai'i Island was severely impacted by major natural disasters:

- Kīlauea Eruption and Earthquakes
- Hurricane Lane
- Tropical Storm Olivia





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## Relief & Response

**18 organizations** received **over \$903,000** in funding to address the multiple needs of lava survivors.

Grants strategically **increased** the **capacity** of nonprofit organizations to help disaster survivors and **leverage other funding** sources and donations.

- 1,200 requests for assistance received through the STREAK database
- 321,000 pounds of food, water, and supplies distributed
- 27,000 pounds of personal hygiene kits, diapers, household items and camping gear distributed
- 62,000 meals served
- \$ 362,000 in supplies distributed (e.g. gas, grocery and pharmacy gift cards)
- 88 households placed in permanent housing
- 26 loan applications for over \$495,000 in loan capital processed

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## Relief & Response

Neighborhood Place of Puna in partnership with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, distributed \$225,000 of emergency financial assistance to

# 160 Native Hawaiian Households –321 Adults, 186 Children

- Food & Clothing
- Medicine, Medical & Related Services
- Emergency Housing
- Transportation
- Care for Dependent Children & Kūpuna

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## Relief & Response

	As of 6/26/18	As of 8/23/19
Unmet Needs	West of the second second	
Housing Assistance	495	13
Airfare	115	0
Medical	42	0
Counseling	63	0
Financial Assistance, Household, Clothing	251	8
Legal Counseling	-	16
Building/Home Repair		91
Outstanding Unmet Needs (waiting for long-term case management)		14
Cumulative Needs Met		
Housing Assistance	***	165
Airfare		45
Medical		18
Counseling		40
Financial Assistance, Household, Clothing		353
Legal Counseling		16
Building/Home Repair		17

## Recovery & Long Term Resilience

The planning process engages both community (qualitative) and data-based (quantitative) inputs and analysis in consideration of the BIG questions raised by this eruption.







HOW DO WE PROMOTE AND IMPLEMENT RESILIENCY?

HOW DO WE PRESERVE OUR NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES?

WHAT HEALTH &
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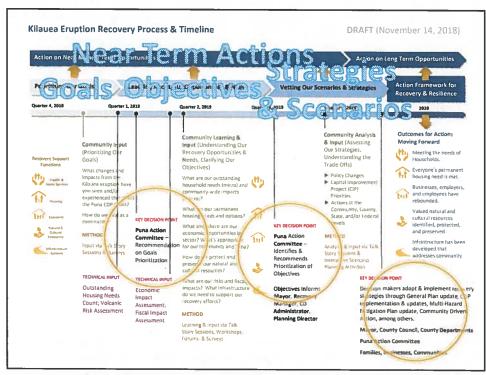


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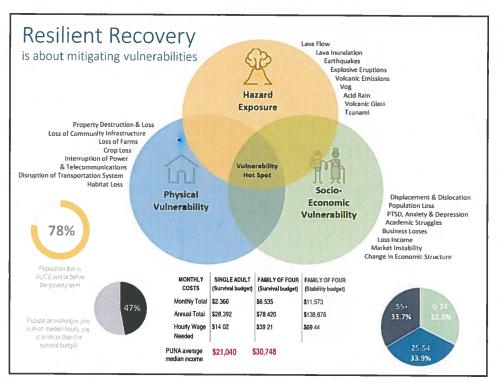
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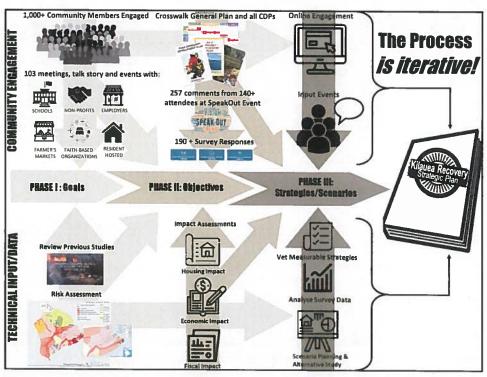
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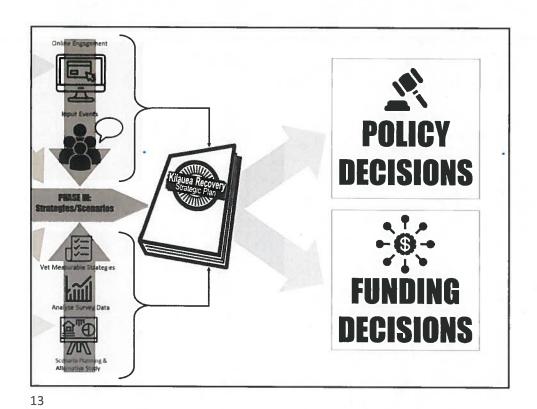


Concurrent Projects	Recovery Objectives	Strategies	Recovery Framework
	Multi- Hazard Wolcanic Risk Mitigation Assessment	Multi-Hazard Assessment	Multi-Hazard Mitigation Measures
	Climate Impacts & Risks	Feasibility Analysis: Relocation	
	General Plan Policies & Actions	Feasibility Analysis: Housing & Infrastructure	Proposed GP Revisions
	(Re) Development Feasibility Suitability Analysis	(Re)Development Proforma	









**Housing Options** 

#### INTENT

- → Rural and urban affordable housing choices
- → Diversity of housing types and locations
- → address the range of affordability reeds ree 282

#### 17% neutral – 65

#### EXAMPLES

- 11% disagree 42
- Improve existing, increase new housing stock
- Increase affordability
- infrastructure support and access to services

Kūpuna housing is needed and important.

It's not government's job to provide housing for everybody who wants housing.

I believe in the **freedom to choose** where you want to live. There should be **choices**.

Housing is **not a** "one-size-fits-all" subject.

#### Village Town Centers / Residential & Economic Development

O Ka hale e ku, o ke kanaka e noho.

Where a house stands, there man dwells.

Agree, however, where?

There are more than enough housing lots in the Puna District already.

We want the improvements in our current areas.









# **Local Economy**

#### INTENT

- > Number and diversity of income sources
- Living wage

EXAMPLES

- Jobs and entrepreneurial opportunities
  - Complement the ecology, culture and evolving demographics
    - 81% agree 316

12% neutral - 45

- - 7% disagree 27
- "Green" sectors
  - Visitor industry that is pono all business and entrepreneurial development

We absolutely need to bring back tourists.

I think there is too much emphasis on the visitor industry - and the island needs a more diverse economy to be resilient.

County and State governments impede job creation with too many barriers.

Without adequate support and action of our elected officials

nothing happens.

#### Village Town Centers / Residential & Economic Development

O Ka hale e ku, o ke kanaka e noho. Where a house stands, there man dwells

> Hawai'i County needs sustainable industries that will provide good paying jobs for its residents. We need to stop the brain drain from our island.

Agriculture is the industry that keeps East Hawai'i stable.



















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# **Transportation**

- → Complete roadway connectivity
- Safe, convenient, accessible, and affordable transportation system.

#### EXAMPLES

- Road connectivity points for local traffic, emergency and evacuation routes
- Multi-modal transportation system
- Roadway alternatives

Public transportation is an absolute must, especially of a kind that is affordable and reliable.

All modes of transport is needed.

## Infrastructure

O ke kahua mamua, mahope ke kūkulu The site first, and then the building / Learn all you can, then practice

- 92% agree 357
- 4% neutral 17
- 4% disagree 18

Connectivity is our #1 issue.

I worry about the accessibility of my house, in the event of an emergency.

Establish emergency access, yes. However we shouldn't be investing in new paved roadways in lava prone areas.





# **Gathering Spaces**

#### INTENT

- New and improve existing built and natural community gathering spaces
- → Restore and improve educational facilities
- → Multifunctional community hubs

#### EXAMPLES

- Pohoiki
- Prioritize Kua O Ka Lā facilities
- · Multifunctional community and resilience hubs

All communities need a place to gather.

The hub was a great example.

This is needed, but keep the religious and spiritual areas separate from community areas.

Community hubs – schools, parks, and senior centers are important.



#### **Infrastructure**

O ke kahua mamua, mahope ke kūkulu The site first, and then the building / Learn all you can, then practice

- 76% agree 293
- 16% neutral 63
- 8% disagree 33

**Kua O Ka Lā PCS** is still trying to find permanent locations.

The school is based on Hawaiian values and culture. They hosted many events to the health of the lower Puna community.

We need to get Pohoiki up and running again.

Help renovate and subsidize the spaces that already exist.

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# Historical and Cultural Resources

#### INTENT

- → Historical, cultural, and scenic resources
- → Shoreline public access
- ightarrow Agricultural land and open space preservation

#### EXAMPLES

- Increase public access sites
- Restore native habitat
- Preserve/restore significant historic and cultural sites

These things represent important cultural values and the Hawaiian practice of sharing aloha for our 'āina.

Shoreline access is important, however we should also respect the rights of individuals who own the land and maintain it.









#### Natural & Cultural Resource Management

He ali'i ka 'āina, he kauā ke kanaka The land is the chief, man is the servant Referring to man having to take care of the land in order for man to survive.

- 89% agree 347
- 8% neutral 32
- 3% disagree 13

We lost our safe places to access the ocean.

Fishermen are still waiting for boat ramp.

Gathering rights for native Hawaiians must be honored in these spaces.



# **Native Ecosystems**

#### INTENT

- Restoration of native ecosystems and habitats
- → Significant natural and cultural features
- → Ecologically sensitive lands mauka to makai

#### EXAMPLES

- Protect/preserve native forests and geological features
- · action against in asive pecies
- Public and pri ste cc saboration

'aration projects

Protect, preserve and restore is the best thing we can do in order for our natural native ecosystem to thrive.

Lot of area was destroyed so we have to take care of what we have left.

Primary focus should be on invasives.

Provide additional and committed annual funding to prevent the further degradation of these open areas by slowly encroaching invasive plants.

#### Natural & Cultural Resource Management

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- 88% agree 342
- 9% neutral –35
- 3% disagree 13

Yes, but need to balance w/ housing and economic growth needs.

The County shouldn't be wasting its small budget on things such as this. There are private organizations and individuals who do this.







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# **Physical and Mental Health**

#### INTENT

- → Access to quality health services
- → Options and facilities that promote physical activity and healthy lifestyle
- → Keiki to kūpuna

#### EXAMPLES

- Spectrum of facilities, services and programs
- Sensitive to diversity of cultures, beliefs, and needs

Most especially we need dialysis in Puna.

We need dentists.

So many people are dealing with lingering effects of the trauma and post-eruption issues that having counselors available would be helpful.

No one cares this whole place has **PTSD**.



#### **Health and Wellbeing**

Loa'a ke ola i Hālau-a-ola Life is obtained in the house of life. Used when one is returned to safety, happiness, or well-being.

- 89% agree 349
- 8% neutral 31
- 3% disagree 12

The distance to a hospital from lower Puna is well over an hour.

We don't have enough medical facilities compared to population.

Puna Community Medical Center was created with these services in mind.



# **Family Economic Health**

#### INTENT

→ Increase the percentage of residents that are economically self-sufficient

#### EXAMPLES

- Community-based food systems
- Family Financial Empowerment Services
- Diversified options to meet basic needs

How can government do this? Of course all would be great if can . . .



Lot's of jobs in Hawai'i don't pay enough for people to be able to afford to live in Hawai'i.

It's a great idea to improve the economy in a sustainable, locally relevant way.

#### **Health and Wellbeing**

Loa'a ke ola i Hālau-a-ola Life is obtained in the house of life. Used when one is returned to safety, happiness, or well-being.

- 87% agree 332
- 10% neutral 38
- 3% disagree 13

Local food production is another wave that is a must for future social and personal health.

It is ridiculous that an area with the agricultural potential of Puna depends so much upon food from elsewhere.

We must expand communitybased food systems and begin this in the schools. 'Āina based educational initiatives/careers must be supported.

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# Recovery and Resilience | Youth



Youth's Vision for Themselves

Youth's Vision for the Community



Internet Wireless access, WIFI cafes/parks



Better Education STEM, college preparation



Gathering Spaces
Parks, restaurants



Activities Pool, skate park, gym, sports, hobby classes



Job Opportunities Construction, farming, technology, natural resources, National park



Reliable Mass Transit



Close proximity amenities



Increased safety and police presence



Close access to medical services



Community Affordable houses



Update and beautify town



Mental health



Family gathering spaces, parks



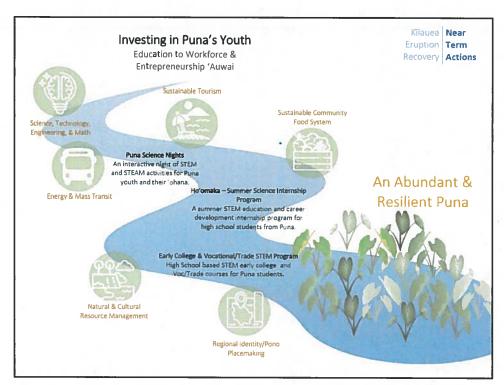
Relocate homes outside of lava zones 1 and 2

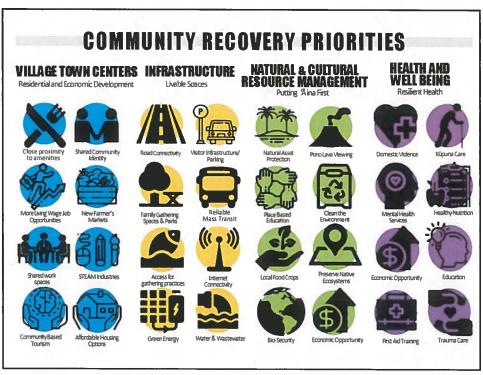


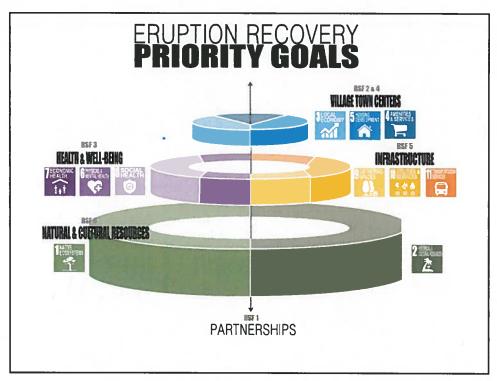
More jobs

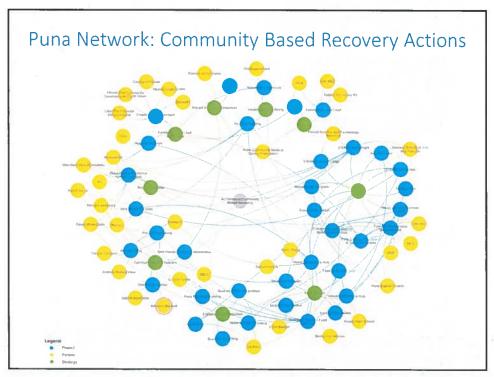


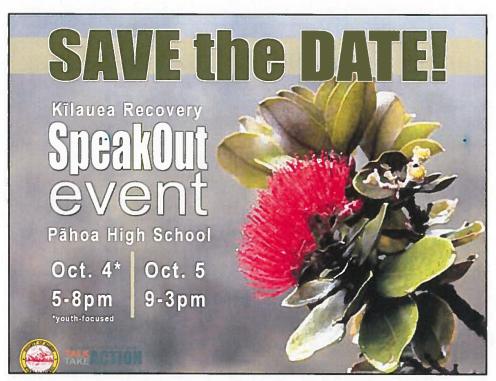
Clean the environment













# **RECOVERY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

# Goal 1 | Village Town Centers / Residential & Economic Development

O Ka hale e ku, o ke kanaka e noho. Where a house stands, there man dwells.

Create Village Town Centers that provide residents with greater access to goods, services, educational resources, and economic opportunities in a thoughtful and sustainable manner, including options for marketing locally produced products.

## **Amenities and Services:**

Objective 1: Provide access to basic amenities and services within village and town centers, including groceries, child care, parks, and other public facilities, that provide jobs and economic opportunities for local businesses, farmers, and entrepreneurs.

## **Housing Options:**

Objective 2: Increase rural and urban affordable housing choices with a diversity of housing types and locations that address the range of affordability needs of residents so that they have a safe, secure home.

## Local Economy:

Objective 3: Increase the number and diversity of income sources for residents that pay a living wage, including encouraging jobs and entrepreneurial opportunities that complement the ecology, culture and evolving demographics of the island.

# Goal 2 | Infrastructure

O ke kahua mamua, mahope ke kūkulu The site first, and then the building / Learn all you can, then practice.

Develop essential infrastructure to provide **livable spaces**, including increased **connectivity of roads** to provide alternative routes for emergency situations and **managed traffic** flow and increased **internet connectivity** to encourage employment, educational and economic opportunities for residents.

# Transportation:

<u>Objective 4:</u> Establish **complete roadway connectivity** for local traffic, emergency access, alternative routes, and evacuation and develop a **safe**, **convenient**, **accessible**, **and affordable transportation system**.

#### **Utilities**

<u>Objective 5:</u> Restore, improve and expand adequate and affordable utilities (water, wastewater, energy, phone and internet services) where needed and infrastructure is lacking.

# Gathering Spaces:

<u>Objective 6:</u> Develop new and improve existing **built and natural community gathering spaces** that are available for cultural, educational, and recreational purposes and restore and improve educational facilities to serve as **multifunctional community hubs**.



# Goal 3 | Natural & Cultural Resource Management

He ali'i ka 'āina, he kauā ke kanaka The land is the chief, man is the servant.

**Preserve native ecosystems**, maintain pono uses of **natural resources**, and protect increasingly threatened **forests**.

#### **Historical & Cultural Resources**

<u>Objective 7</u>: Protect and preserve historical, cultural, and scenic resources and increase shoreline public access and agricultural land and open space preservation.

## Native Ecosystems

<u>Objective 8:</u> Protect and provide increased **restoration of native ecosystems and habitats**, significant **natural and cultural features** and **ecologically sensitive lands** mauka to makai.

# Goal 4 | Health and Wellbeing

Loa'a ke ola i Hālau-a-ola

Life is obtained in the house of life. Used when one is returned to safety, happiness, or well-being.

Promote the development of medical facilities and services, social services and programs, and family economic self-sufficiency services and programs to increase the mental, physical, emotional, and economic health and well being of communities and residents, especially the most vulnerable in the community.

## Physical and Mental Health

<u>Objective 9:</u> Increase resident access to quality health services, including creating a wide variety of healthcare facilities, programs and/or community-based care, such as: community health centers, rural clinics and mobile clinic services for the medically underserved population and expand options and facilities that promote physical activity and healthy lifestyle choices for all ages, keiki to kūpuna.

## Social Health & Safety:

<u>Objective 10</u>: Ensure access to quality social services that address social and economic determinants of health to support a high quality of life, decrease social problems, and extend life expectancies and increase police, fire, and emergency personnel to an appropriate ratio between population and geography.

## Family Economic Health:

<u>Objective 11:</u> Progressively increase the percentage of residents that are economically self-sufficient (measured by the State Department of Business, Economic Development, & Tourism's Self-sufficiency Income Standard, the Aloha United Way's Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed- ALICE, and/or other similar measures).





# Household Impact and Opportunity Assessment

Preliminary Results

# **IMPACT**

*Prior to the eruption,* **78%** of respondents owned their home, with only **9%** renting.

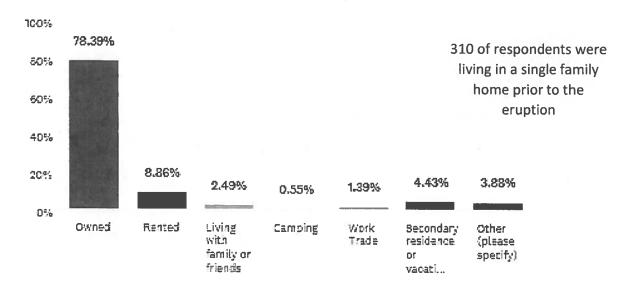
After the eruption, 63% of respondents own their current home and 15% are now renting. There is an increase in those living with family, work trade, staying in a vacation home/secondary residence and other.

# Puna District Average Occupancy Type

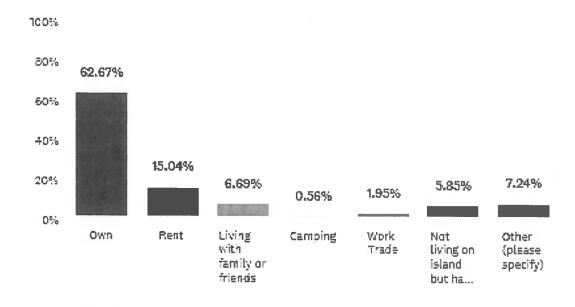




# **Living Arrangement Prior to Eruption**



# **Living Arrangement After to Eruption**



Not only has there been a shift in the type of living arrangement for Puna families, living conditions have significantly decreased since the eruption.

**52.8%** 

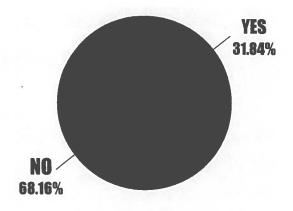
of respondents reported that their living conditions are worse now after the eruption.

15.3%

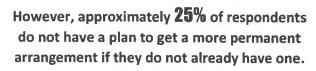
of respondents reported their living conditions have improved since the eruption. 31.8%

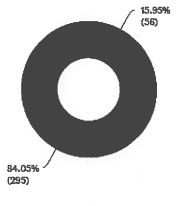
of respondents reported that their living conditions are the same.

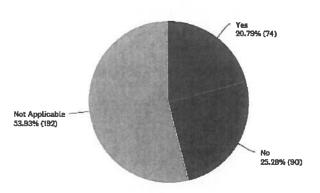
31.84% of respondents said they still have unmet housing needs.



A majority of respondents reported that their current living arrangement is long term (6 months or more).







It is important to note that many respondents indicated that they are not physically or financially capable of being in their preferred permanent housing right now, so though many have found a current solution— it does not satisfy their vision for themselves and their family.

# Over one year post eruption, the impact is still being felt.

82.67%

of respondents feel stressed, tense, nervous, anxious and/or can't sleep at night. 38.12%

of those respondents feel **Significantly** stressed, tense, nervous and/or anxious.

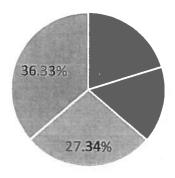
# 30.35% of respondents have one or more persons in their family that is still displaced

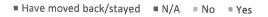
Thinking towards the future, there are varying opinions on where people want to live and in what kind of arrangement they want to live in.

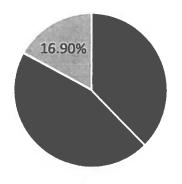
Are you seeking to return to your eruption impacted property?

Would you be willing to relocate outside of the Puna area if a housing opportunity became available?

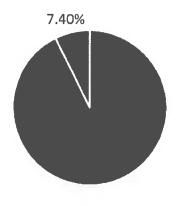
Is your long term housing goal to find a rental unit or are you looking to own your residence?





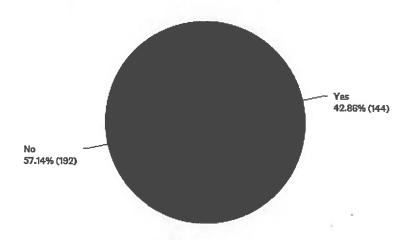


■ Yes ■ No ■ Maybe

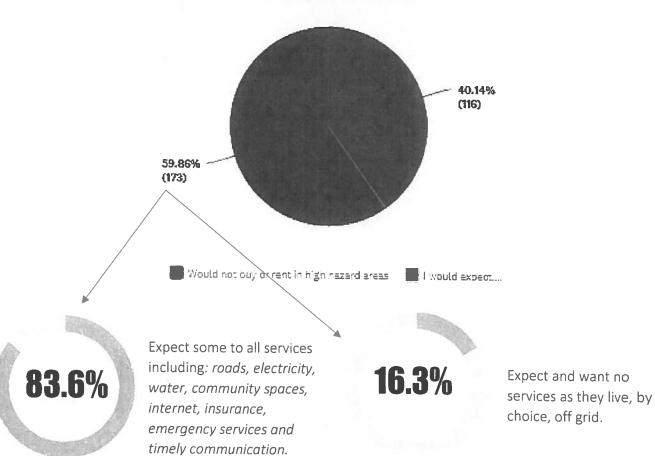


Own Rent

# Would you buy or rent a home in high hazard areas, such as lava zone 1, flood zone, or tsunami inundation zone?



# If yes, to what extent would you expect that county services and public utilities should extend to serve those high hazard areas?



Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustees Meeting Hilo, Hawai'i, September 19, 2019 Mokupāpapa Discovery Center, 9am

Community Item: PROPOSED SPACEPORT IN EAST HAWAI'I – **STRONG OPPOSITION** 

Testimony of the Kūpuna for the Moʻopuna, Panaʻewa, Hawaiʻi: Bridgit Bales, Nāmaka Rawlins, Nākoʻo Warrington, Liz Masaoka

Aloha to the Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs,

We, the Kūpuna for the Moʻopuna, a concerned group of kūpuna living on Hawaiian Homestead farm lands in Panaʻewa, Hawaiʻi, hereby submit this testimony to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustees in **STRONG OPPOSITION** to the proposed spaceport in East Hawaiʻi, Alaska Aerospace Corporation's (AAC) Pacific Spaceport Complex-Hawaiʻi.

Attached please find a brief summary of a timeline of the proposed AAC's spaceport located on W.H. Shipman lands abutting our DHHL Pana'ewa farm lots. The timeline will show that discussions and decisions surrounding this spaceport have been ongoing since at least 2014. Unbelievably, those of us living in the impacted DHHL communities of Pana'ewa and Keaukaha were kept in the dark about this spaceport until late December 2018 when an article appeared in the Hawai'i Tribune Herald. No community meetings, no discussions, no communication whatsoever from our elected officials - from the county council on up - to inform the impacted communities and gather feedback... until January 25, 2019 when a meeting that can only be described as volatile, complete with protestors outside, was held. As the timeline will reveal, by that time, those aggressively supporting this spaceport were well into securing permits, licenses and swiftly moving ahead with the Draft Environmental Assessment.

The official position of our Keaukaha-Pana'ewa Farmers Association is one of strong opposition. The negative effects of this spaceport on our cultural, environmental, and personal health/safety well-being are of grave concern, especially in light of AAC's non-disclosure (secret!) provisions and agreements which will continue to keep us in the dark.

We, the Kūpuna for the Mo'opuna, ask that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs stand with us in strong opposition to this spaceport. Please help us battle this spaceport and prevent it from being built and operated in our back yard.

Mahalo nui loa, Kūpuna for the Mo'opuna

# TIMELINE 2014-2019 Alaska Aerospace Corporation's (AAC) Pacific Spaceport Complex- Hawai'i

# Proposed Aerospace Facility to be Constructed and Operated at Hā'ena, Kea'au, Hawai'i Next to DHHL Pana'ewa Farm Lots

**1.) 2014** – per AAC Meeting Minutes, discussions regarding spaceport in East Hawai'i have begun.

May 15, 2015 –	AAC Meeting Minutes: Missile Defense Agency Alaska & Hawai'i; Hawai'i Alaska Joint Focus Group; site identified on Big Island on private land,		
	"Hawaiians agree"; NASA; DOD.		
Nov 3, 2015 -	Space News: PMRF small launch failure.		
Dec 18, 2015 –	AAC Meeting Minutes: future Hawai'i site visit(s) authorized by AAC Board.		
May 12, 2016 -	AAC Meeting Minutes: Hawai'i		
<i>y</i> ,	discussion began "two years ago" i.e.,		
	discussions began in 2014.		
Nov 2016 –	UH Space Flight Lab Report: Private site approved by W.H. Shipman Board of Directors.		

WAS DHHL COMMISSION CONSULTED? WHAT IS DHHL'S OFFICIAL POSITION REGARDING SPACEPORT ABUTTING DHHL PANA'EWA FARM LOTS?

2.) March 2018 – Ka'ū community attends meeting in strong opposition to spaceport proposed for Ka'ū; Hawai'i State Senator Wakai and spaceport company SpinLaunch attend community mtg., apologize, "respect the wishes of the community" and will look elsewhere around the state. Hawai'i Tribune Herald.

WHY WAS THIS KIND OF SPACEPORT MEETING NOT HELD FOR THE IMPACTED COMMUNITIES OF PANA'EWA, KEAUKAHA AND KEA'AU? WHERE WERE OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS ON THIS, ESPECIALLY COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS OF DISTRICTS 3 & 4? WHY WERE WE NOT AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY NO TO THE PROPOSED ALASKA AEROSPACE CORPORATION'S SPACEPORT?

**3.) July 2018 & September 2018** – W.H. Shipman Archaeological Monitoring Plan submitted and approved by DLNR.

Timeline Page 1 of 2

- **4.)November 9, 2018** Advance Notice of Environmental Assessment from AAC to DLNR.
- **5.) November 23, 2018** Advance Notice for Environmental Assessment, MEMO to DLNR Agencies from DLNR.
- **6.) December 28, 2018** Hawai'i Tribune Herald article reporting proposal for spaceport in East Hawai'i **FOR THE FIRST TIME**: "Alaska Company Proposes Satellite Launch Facility on Shipman Land".
- 7.) 2018 AAC Annual Report Year In Review East Hawai'i Launch Site summary page "late 2019 launch" from East Hawai'i. SEE ATTACHMENT A.
- **8.) January 18, 2019** SB999 introduced by Senator Wakai, re: Aerospace industry to become a private corporation.
- **9.) January 18, 2019** KPFA informs its members of a "briefing" scheduled for January 25, 2019, to be presented by representatives of AAC, W.H. Shipman, UH Space Flight Lab and PISCES.
- **10.) January 25, 2019** "Briefing" held in Pana'ewa; "briefing" turned volatile as protestors outside picketed the "briefing."
- **11.) February 6, 2019** Public Informational Open House held for AAC's spaceport in Hilo. (note: Senator Wakai scheduled SB999 hearing at the same time as Open House in Hilo; SB999 removed from agenda and died in committee.)
- **12.) February & March 2019** Kūpuna for the Moʻopuna and Keaukaha-Pana'ewa Farmers Association (KPFA) develop and circulate 4 flyers in opposition to spaceport. **SEE ATTACHMENTS B-E**.
- **13.) March 5, 2019** Mayor Kim officially states spaceport is "just a proposal at this time." (letter from Mayor Kim available upon request)
- **14.) March 6, 2019** KPFA submits opposition comments to environmental assessment consultants, KFS, Nā 'Ōiwi Kāne, c 2015, NHO Owned 8(a) Co.
- **15.) April 17, 2019** KPFA's strong opposition to spaceport is made part of the record during William Aila's confirmation hearing as Interim DHHL Chair.
- 16.) May 20, 2019 DHHL Commissioners' Mtg. Waimea agenda included testimony in opposition to spaceport from Keaukaha and Pana'ewa; Chair Aila is asked what the official position of DHHL is; Aila replies, in essence, "cannot say at this time; will check with DHHL staff and look into it."
  Timeline Page 2 of 2

STAR ARREST REPORT

## **Year in Review**

## **Equatorial Launch Site Progress**

AAC 2018 Annual Report
Vear in Review
Summary page
Progress East Hawaii Launch Site

Alaska Aerospace continued pursuit of an equatorial launch site in the Pacific region throughout the year, advancing the East Hawaii project with the University of Hawaii, Spaceflight Laboratories and making a course correction in consideration of a potential site in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI).



#### **EAST HAWAII LAUNCH SITE**

This year provided some exciting moments following the Kllauea volcano eruption that started on May 3, 2018. As several lava vents opened in the lower Puna area southeast of Hilo, residents of the Leilani Estates and adjacent Lanipuna Gardens residential areas were evacuated. Eruptions continued through the summer, however, the lava flows and volcanic activity remained a far distance from the proposed East Hawaii launch site and have not impacted progress on development of a launch site in Hawaii.

Progress on the environmental process continued, with the environmental firm KFS completing the initial phase of the environmental work in preparation for releasing the Description of Proposed Activities and Alternatives (DOPAA) in early 2019. The DOPAA provides agencies and the public with a description of need and alternative sites considered to meet the demands for small launch vehicle launches from East Hawaii. As part of this process, Alaska Aerospace provided technical support in developing the spaceport facility requirements and supporting the engineering aspects of the project. KFS is planning the first public engagement meeting in East Hawaii in early 2019.

With increasing activities of the new small launch vehicle market, the need for an equatorial launch location in the Pacific Region has intensified. We are currently working with one such company towards developing the necessary infrastructure in East Hawaii for a late 2019 launch. Recognizing that the spaceport environmental document must be aligned with the spaceport site operators license, we concurrently started development of the spaceport site licensing process with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Office of Commercial Space Transportation this year. Alaska Aerospace will hold the spaceport licenses for both the Pacific Spaceport Complex – Alaska, located in Kodiak, and the Pacific Spaceport Complex – Hawaii, located in East Hawaii. Both the environmental and licensing processes are expected to take most of 2019 to complete.

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS (CNMI) LAUNCH SITE

Following the determination in 2017 that the Marpi Point site on Saipan was a Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) that required extensive clean-up and did not have clean-up funds identified for the project, a decision was made to consider an alternative site in the CNMI. In discussions with CNMI officials, a site along the southeast side of Tinian was considered a potential site that could reduce environmental issues and provide comparable equatorial orbit capabilities as was being pursued at the Marpi Point Site.

In March, Alaska Aerospace leadership met with CNMI Governor Ralph Torres to discuss advancing the CNMI option. An initiative was started between Alaska Aerospace and the governor's office on development of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) intended to set forth the terms and conditions, scope of work, and responsibilities of the parties associated with collaboration towards constructing a small rocket launch facility in the CNMI. The underlying basis of the agreement was to place senior level focus on a government-to-government agreement towards pursuit of the potential launch site.

In May, Governor Torres office sent two CNMI delegates from the governor's office to visit the Pacific Spaceport Complex – Alaska (PSCA). The purpose of the visit was to familiarize CNMI officials with Alaska Aerospace capabilities, as well as to explore the potential site development process should a site be built in the CNMI by Alaska Aerospace.

Over the summer, a draft Memorandum of Agreement was reviewed by both Alaska Aerospace and CNMI officials to pursue the feasibility of developing a small rocket launch facility on Tinian with the possibility of operating the Launch Operations Control Center, Range Safety and Telemetry Systems (RSTS) and other support requirements on Saipan.

In October the eye of Super Typhoon Yutu passed over parts of Saipan and Tinian, causing extensive damage to the islands. Negotiations to finalize the MOU ended in November, as progress on the East Hawaii site continued with interest of a potential customer to use that location for equatorial launch.

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Attachment A

# THIS IS NOT A DRILL

# NO MISSILE LAUNCH FACILITY IN OUR BACK YARD!

We demand Alaska Aerospace's efforts to construct and operate a missile launch facility near historic Hā'ena in Kea'au, Hawai'i, cease immediately!

## Express opposition to launch facility and outrage that the community was kept in the dark!

W. H. Shipman Ltd. CEO Peggy Farias 966-9325 email via whshipman website				
Governor Ige	586-0034	email via governor ige website		
Mayor Kim	961-8211	email via mayor kim website		
Senator Kahele	586-6760	senkkahele@capitol.hawaii.gov		
Senator Ruderman	586-6890	senruderman@capitol.hawaii.gov		
Rep Nakashima	586-6680	repnakashima@Capitol.hawaii.gov		
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Rep San Buenaventura	586-6530	repsanbuenaventura@Capitol.hawaii.gov		
Rep Todd	586-8480	reptodd@Capitol.hawaii.gov		
Council Member Kierkiewic	z961-8265	ashley.kierkiewicz@hawaiicounty.gov		
Council Member Lee Loy	961-8396	sue.leeloy@hawaiicounty.gov		

## Mail, fax, or email comments/questions/concerns BY MARCH 6, 2019, to KFS.

Official minutes of Alaska Aerospace's meeting on 11/2/2017 state: "The consultant [KFS] understands the objective is to secure a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the EA [Environmental Assessment]" and that "Alaska Aerospace will not go through the Environmental Impact Statement process."

KFS, LLC
Attn: PSCH EA
303 Williams Ave. Suite 116
Huntsville, AL 35801
Fax (256) 713-1617

Email: PSCH.EA.Project@kfs-llc.com

# Significant impacts will adversely affect the health, safety and well-being of Hawai'i's... PEOPLE

The missile launch site is close to Kea'au & Pana'ewa homes, farms, schools, parks and businesses.

CULTURE

The missile launch site is on W.H. Shipman Ltd. land, 1.5 miles from historic Hā'ena tied to hula traditions.

ENVIRONMENT

For decades, the Big Island has been a target for a spaceport. However, even Kona native and astronaut Ellison Onizuka "himself had told a reporter for the Hawai'i Tribune-Herald that while the spaceport 'may create some jobs,' that benefit would not be 'enough to pay for the penalties that such launchings would have on the environment."

'Onipa'a! Keaukaha-Pana'ewa Farmers Association & Kūpuna for the Mo'opuna

Attachment B

# TOWN HALL MEETING NOW!

# NO MISSILE LAUNCH FACILITY IN OUR BACK YARD!

# WE DEMAND A TOWN HALL MEETING NOW!

To Governor David Ige and Mayor Harry Kim; Senators Inouye, Kahele, Kanuha and Ruderman; Representatives Creagan, Lowen, Nakashima, Onishi, San Buenaventura, Tarnas and Todd; Council Members Chung, David, Eoff, Kanealii-Kleinfelder, Kierkiewicz, Lee Loy, Poindexter, Richards and Villegas ~

We demand that you, our elected officials, organize and conduct a town hall meeting <u>immediately</u> for the residents of East Hawai'i and all other concerned citizens for the purpose of communicating information regarding Alaska Aerospace's satellite launch facility project in Kea'au, East Hawai'i. The affected surrounding communities have not been consulted at all. To the contrary, we have been kept in the dark for what appears to be years. We expect that the town hall meeting will include, but not be limited to, your:

- 1. Explaining the project.
- 2. Providing updates and current status of the project.
- 3. Allowing time for Questions & Answers about the project.

We expect that all persons and/or entities responsible for and/or involved with this project will be in attendance. We also expect timely and appropriate notice of date, time and location of the town hall meeting will be given.

'Onipa'a! Keaukaha-Pana'ewa Farmers Association & Kūpuna for the Mo'opuna 2.23.19

Attachment C

# **End CON-tract Now!**

# NO MISSILE LAUNCH FACILITY IN OUR BACK YARD!

# END BIASED/CONFLICT OF INTEREST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT CONTRACT NOW!

We demand the contractual agreement between the University of Hawai'i and consultant KFS, LLC. to conduct the Environmental Assessment (EA) for Alaska Aerospace Corporation's (AAC) launch facility in East Hawai'i **end immediately**.

Official meeting minutes of AAC reveal discussions of what appear to be predetermined bias and conflict of interest. #1. In addition, aggressive and fast tracking of an East Hawai'i launch facility between state agencies working in tandem with non-transparent legislation – e.g., apparent appropriation of \$250,000 of Hawai'i taxpayer money for EA benefitting the private out-of-state company AAC – must be questioned. #1-#5. To that, the relationship between for-profit and not-for-profit entities involved in this launch facility project must also be questioned. #1-#5. (Dear Reader: Please research, connect the dots and decide for yourself.)

#1. Alaska Aerospace http://www.akaerospace.com

Meeting minutes 11.2.17: discussion of predetermined bias "understanding" for KFS (KSF per minutes) to secure a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for EA.

Meeting minutes 2.23.18: conflict of interest as UH Space Flight Laboratory hired KFS to do EA for AAC with AAC the "advisor on the technical aspects" of the EA.

- **#2.** University of Hawaii Hawaii Space Flight Laboratory <a href="https://www.hsfl.hawaii.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/HSFL-Overview-2018-07-01.pdf">https://www.hsfl.hawaii.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/HSFL-Overview-2018-07-01.pdf</a>
- #3. 2016-2020 Hawai'i County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and Hawai'i Statewide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy 2016-2020 <a href="http://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/op/spb/CEDS">http://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/op/spb/CEDS</a> 2016 final.pdf
- **#4. KFS** <a href="https://www.kfs-llc.com" "KFS is a Small Business Administration (SBA)-certified 8(a) Small Disadvantaged business. We are majority owned by Na 'Oiwi Kane, a not-for-profit Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO). Our NHO 8(a) classification enables us to accept no-bid Government contracts with no dollar limit." <a href="https://www.kfs-llc.com/our-culture/">https://www.kfs-llc.com/our-culture/</a>
- #5. Nā 'Ōiwi Kāne https://www.naoiwikane.org © 2015 KFS-LLC. An NHO Owned 8(a) Company

'Onipa'a! Keaukaha-Pana'ewa Farmers Association & Kūpuna for the Mo'opuna 2.24.19

Attachment D

# HA'INA for HĀ'ENA?

Let the story be told of Hā'ena; but what story will that be?

# OPEN PLEA TO W. H. SHIPMAN, LTD. BILL WALTER and PEGGY FARIAS:

# JUST SAY NO TO MISSILE LAUNCH FACILITY IN YOUR FRONT YARD!

Historical, environmental and conservation information about the long legacy of efforts by William and Mary Shipman – kūpuna of Bill Walter & Peggy Farias - to benefit the future generations of Hawai'i can be found at http://www.whshipman.com/about-whs/history.



A Kama'aina Company Contributing to the Planned Growth of Hawaii

To Bill Walter and Peggy Farias: This is an open plea for you to continue the proud legacy of your kūpuna William and Mary Shipman's responsible stewardship of caring for the land and people. A missile launch facility on their beloved 'āina near homes, farms, schools, parks, and businesses is inconceivable knowing their demonstrated love for the land and people; their lifelong aloha for beloved Hā'ena, Kea'au, Puna; their respect for the ala hele on their 'āina where ali'i once trod; their loving care of the endangered nēnē on the verge of extinction; their appreciation of the chants praising Puna dancing in the wind. Listen to your kūpuna:

"NO MISSILE LAUNCH FACILITY IN OUR FRONT YARD!"

Bill Walter and Peggy Farias, we ask WHY? Why do you dishonor your kūpuna? Why do you continue to keep your neighbors in the dark (site approved WHS BOD 11/16) especially regarding the project's DoD ties (UH overview1/18)? Why do you keep saying "no decision until the EA is done" when you know the EA process has been compromised due to a lack of community input and an abundance of bias and conflict of interest?

Bill Walter and Peggy Farias, we call out. Answer.

And let the story be told of Hā'ena, a place greatly loved for all time.

Haʻina ʻia mai ana ka puana No Hāʻena kahi i aloha nui ʻia a mau loa aku Let the story be told Of Hāʻena a place greatly loved for all time

'Onipa'a! Keaukaha-Pana'ewa Farmers Association & Kūpuna for the Mo'opuna 2.25.19

Attachment E

From:

Sam King <

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Sent:

Tuesday, September 17, 2019 5:06 PM

To:

**BOT Meetings** 

Subject:

Testimony in Support of TMT for September 18-19, 2019 meetings

#### Aloha OHA Board,

At your August 22, 2019 meeting I testified concerning threats made to OHA beneficiaries by other OHA beneficiaries protesting, or supporting the protests against, the Thirty Meter Telescope. You can find a copy of my remarks (as near as I could recall from my notes) here:

## https://www.imuatmt.org/safehouse-statements-oha/.

At that time I requested a resolution from OHA condemning threats of violence and bullying from the protesters.

I would like to reiterate that request. As we saw from the Governor's recent press conference, the threats of violence are getting more brazen. Threatening posts are being made against individual police officers. Someone joked about a mass shooting at the state capitol on the Facebook Live feed of the Governor's press conference. The Kia'i are losing control on the Mauna, as we saw from the illegal structure built which was condemned by the Royal Order. Protesters are also growing more desperate, as seen by the nailing of a Hawaiian flag on that structure in such a way as to create precisely the social media explosion that was created when the police offer cut the flag to gain entry to the building. Also, the manner in which that unfortunate event was spun up by the protesters as a horrible desecration instead of an unfortunate accident speaks to this desperation as well. Hawaiian Kingdom advocates recently appeared in Mayor Kim's office wearing bullet proof vests.

The Governor's statements against bullying are not enough. The protesters and their supporters need to see news stories about OHA's condemnation of such vitriol. Without that, and because OHA has funded the protests, OHA will ultimately be complicit in the first death caused by the bullying perpetrated by the protesters.

Please speak out for your beneficiaries who support TMT. We deserve your respect and empathy as well.

Mahalo,

Sam King

From:

Veronica Ohara

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Sent:

Tuesday, September 17, 2019 6:51 PM

To: Subject: BOT Meetings TMT meetings

# Aloha OHA Board Members,

I would like you make a clear statement condeming the blockade of the Maunakea Access Road and the rising vitriol against TMT supporters; many of us are native Hawaiians. During these past months you appeared on the news and shown support for the blockade, the protest against the construction of TMT. It's no secret that you fund air tickets for people to fly to Hilo to join the protest. Some of you have taken an unconditional stance against the Thirty Meter Telescope. By doing so you widen the divide between the very community you should be supporting. The native Hawaiian TMT supporters, who elected you into office, are worthy of your consideration and respect.

The emotional arguments against TMT have heightened, attracting worldwide attention. OHA must realize we Hawaiians who support TMT are fully aware of what the social and economic problems of our people. We sympathize but cannot support an unlawful blockade that is clearly hurting Hawaii. What about the astronomy, physics, engineering, robotics graduate students who are on scholarships, who dream of observing with TMT on Maunakea? What about the construction workers who have patiently waited for the court cases to end? We are all local people whom you cannot ignore because we voted for you; you are in office to serve us.

The blockade has gone on for far too long and out of control; the comments on Gov. Ige's Facebook page are unacceptable, and

dangerous. It's unthinkable that the FBI investigated the recent death threat on Gov. Ige's Facebook Page; I myself read a comment that Gov. Ige should be thankful he is not "pushing up daises". The vitriol on social media is over the top, threats of violence, racist remarks, parody accounts are indicative of a downward spiral; it's as if the protesters and their supporters are on the verge of domestic terrorism.

I urge OHA to state on no uncertain terms that this blockade is no longer acceptable and therefore must end; also condemn in the strongest terms the vitriol against TMT supporters.

Mahalo,

Veronica Ohara

Veronica

From: Jack & Marti Lockwood <

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2019 12:08 AM

**To:** BOT Meetings

Cc: n; Imua TMT

**Subject:** Testimony For OHA Meetings 9/18-19 Re: TMT

#### Dear OHA Trustees:

I have lived on Hawaii for most of my life, have huge respect and Aloha for Mauna Kea, and have worked on the Mauna as a geologist off and on since 1971. I performed the geologic evaluations of the TMT site and surrounding area for the EIS, and know that area very well. Your going only to Pu'u Huluhulu Thursday (8,000' below the summit) will reveal nothing - other than the passions of the good people who are unfortunately protesting the TMT - a project that is good for the long-term interests of all Hawaiians. The people gathered at the pu'uhonua are a minority of Hawaiians, but the majority of Hawaiians who support the project are afraid to speak up - for fear of being declared "traitors" by the protestors....

YOU NEED TO VISIT THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION SITE - it takes less than an hour to drive up there, and you will see how the area is far below the truly sacred summit, and was chosen to minimize visual or environmental impact.

No one gets to choose their parents, and unfortunately *a'ole ke koko Hawaii*, but my heart is Hawaiian, and I want to see the past and current injustices to Hawaiians (education, judicial, land) corrected, but blocking this important science project will not help achieve any of these goals. If the TMT is blocked - how will this help righteous Hawaiian causes in any way?

#### **IMUA HAWAII - IMUA TMT!**

Aloha Noho'i Kakou,

Jack Lockwood

MARTI & JACK LOCKWOOD

Hilo, Hawaii 96720

From:

Cheryl Ernst

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Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2019 5:07 PM

To:

**BOT Meetings** 

Subject:

Testimony For OHA Meetings 9/18-19 Re: TMT

#### Aloha kakou

I am on the mainland this week, thus cannot attend the Board of Regents meeting, but I want to express my support for construction of the TMT.

Although I am not native Hawaiian, I have been a practitioner of hula for three decades and have great respect for the language and culture. I believe that the Hawaiian ancestors revered learning. The presence of the adz quarry on the mouna is clear evidence that they were not averse to using the resources of the mountain in service of humans.

I believe in righting past wrongs inflicted upon the Native Hawaiian community, but I don't believe stopping TMT does that.

Thank you for listening. Cheryl Kekahipuuwaialoha Ernst

From:

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Sent:

Thursday, September 19, 2019 10:02 AM

To:

**BOT Meetings** 

Subject:

Testimony For OHA Meetings 9/18-19 Re: TMT

My name is Karen Murayama, and I would like to submit this testimony in support of TMT as a parent, teacher, and community member.

I was first introduced to the TMT project as a parent of two children who successfully completed their education going through the public schools in the Waiakea Complex, when my son's robotics team was asked to volunteer in sign waving for TMT.

Since that first event, as a concerned parent and community member, I followed news of various community meetings and observed the process that TMT went through to apply for and receive approval to build atop Maunakea — respectful, professional, open, responsible, caring, dedicated are some of the adjectives that I would use to describe what I saw in TMT's efforts to show their commitment to establishing a presence in our Big Island community. They have never waivered from this, that they want to be considered part of our community, aware of and caring about the economic, educational and vocational needs, as well as possibilities, of our island.

As a parent and an educator, I have appreciated greatly TMT's commitment to participation in helping strengthen educational opportunities for our students — both of my children, and my students, have been able to participate in various STEM and robotics activities/projects/competitions that TMT helped to make available via generous financial support through grants, scholarships, and sponsorship of educational events. My son, who was able to travel to Japan three times as a high school robotics team member, successfully participating in Microbots competition and other Japan-based events. All of these experiences helped support my son in his learning and decisions that led to his graduating from Seattle University w/ a degree in electrical engineering, and his current job as design engineer at Kensworth Trucks based in Kirkland, WA.

Note that he had to "go away" to access these post-highschool opportunities — and I can only imagine what opportunities might be made available for other students/individuals, if TMT were able to really participate in this Big Island community they've been so earnestly and patiently waiting to be a part of.

I share my disappointment in seeing TMT being pushed away, being made to feel that they are somehow "the enemy" here, when in fact the rightful target of distrust and defensive position of those against the project is our government, and those who in the past were in charge of decision-making re the care of our Maunakea, our aina.

This current situation re access to Maunakea has to do w/a past that TMT had no role in, and I feel that they should not be held accountable for, nor should be used as a scapegoat at this time, but rather they should be looked at and appreciated for their modeling of "the right way" of requesting and planning for anything that is done on our Maunakea.

TMT should also be appreciated for giving us the opportunity to let our Govt know that changes need to be made NOW in how decisions are made w/ the use of any/all land, AND w/decisions there must be follow-through w/ making sure things are done as agreed, and not left to get forgotten, causing a breakdown in commitment and damage to whatever is left undone/forgotten.

As an educator, I am very concerned at the potential loss of resources and support, should TMT be pushed out from our community, our island.

Thank you for this opportunity to share my concerns for and ultimate support of TMT being allowed to build on Maunakea. They have truly done everything—over and beyond—that they were asked/required to do, to apply for this project permission, and should NOT be penalized for something they truly had no part in causing.

We need to find a way to bring together our community members and all decision-making grps that affect the care of Maunakea, and there must be a true focus on what is best, and how best to take care of Maunakea while allowing it to be the shining symbol of Hawaii's amazing respectful ties to culture, science, and environment.

Thank you again for your time and consideration of my testimony.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen N. Murayama

Sent from my iPhone

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September 19, 2019

Aloha mai e OHA Board of Trustees,

We, Nā Lau'ō o Ka'akepa and KAPONO (501c3) of Puna, Hawaii Island, are submitting testimony asking for the support of OHA for the recovery efforts of Pohoiki boat ramp and our lawai'a. The closure of this ramp due to the 2018 Kīlauea eruption has put a stop on the livelihoods and sustenance of our local fishers and economy. This ramp is responsible for 30% of our states catch which a major reflection into the loss of revenue and sustainability of the Pohoiki fishing community. It is imperative that we receive your support with the recovery efforts to open the boat ramp again as an immediate solution to address this need, in conjunction with DLNR/DOBOR (Division of Natural Resources, Division of Boating and Ocean Resources).

We are requesting that 10% of the revenues that you folks, OHA receives from Puna Geothermal Venture (PGV) that is based in our community, be used for the immediate solution to open up the Pohoiki boat ramp and KAPONO efforts. We, the community, do not see any of the money that comes from this revenue source and are requesting that these monies be placed back into our community. We, the beneficiaries of the Puna Community and the lawai'a of the area look forward to working with you to ensure that this can occur.

Also, we are not in support of any spaceport being placed near any wahi pana sacred to our people. The area in question is near Hā'ena an extremely sacred wahi pana to our hula community. This is where the first Hula occurred and is where the suns first hot red breathe touches anywhere in our pae 'āina which is why it's named so. Not to mention this area is the muliwai to millions of fresh water on a daily basis. Contamination from this project will affect the surrounding ocean and coastal resources as well. It is in the best interest of OHA to support the voices of the local community in not allowing for this project to happen. We appreciate your consideration of our requests and want to ensure that the voices of our people are heard and don't fall upon deaf ears.

Mahalo nui. Nā Lau'ō o Ka'akepa KAPONO