

Meeting Notes

August 24, 2011 TAC Meeting #3

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Kauai Multimodal Land Transportation Plan

Attending:

- Celia Mahikoa, County Executive on Transportation
- Barbara Pendragon, County Housing
- Michael Hinazumi, Hawaii DOT
- Ted K. Blake, Project Consultant
- Jim Charlier, Project Consultant

Project Update and General Discussion:

- Status update and discussion
- Multiple events and meetings last week and this week
- Get Fit Kauai Built Environment Task Force meeting last week (Aug 18)

Report on Public Workshops:

- Waimea, Koloa and Lihue last week
- Kapaa last night and Kilauea tonight
- About 28 – 30 people each night so far
- Diaries reveal a pattern of complex, multi-trip days – almost entirely by driving
- Much concern about safety of walking and bicycling
- Little awareness of transit system routes and schedules
- Not major differences in areas of the island

Report on Survey Research:

- On-line survey up and running
- Paper surveys being handed out
- Results beginning to trickle in

Future Scenario Development:

- Future scenarios: possible approaches
 - Land Use/Transportation Scenarios
 - Build-Out Scenarios
 - Resiliency Scenarios
 - Goal-Based Plan
- State DOT long range land transportation plan behind schedule
- No model output until early next year at earliest
- LU/Transp approach might not be right for Kauai – General Plan vision unchanged
- Issues with Built-Out approach – not a build-out community
- Resiliency approach is data hungry and may not be feasible given DOT schedule
- General opinion: use goal-based plan approach – works well with General Plan
- Discussion of program elements: infrastructure/service and governance systems
- Add finer-grain street classification system to set stage for better design standards
- Add prescriptive map for county roads in future development areas



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Evaluation Criteria:

- Should be tied to vision and goals
- Structure reflects choice of scenario development approach
- Add mode share to list

Baseline Transportation Program:

- Discussion of disconnect in current General Plan
 - Objective: limited expansion of multi-lane roadways
 - But transportation plan includes several multi-lane sections
- Need to define a long-range transit plan and strategy
- Baseline bicycle network – almost non-existent, with very few lanes
- Discussion of future extension of East Side coastal trail
- Need to define a structure for a bicycle system plan
- Use Lihue Town Core Plan as prototype for other towns and villages

Upcoming Events and Next Steps:

- Kilauea public workshop tonight
- Booth at County Fair the rest of the week
- Meeting with Ray McCormick to discuss bike lanes on four lane project Lihue to Puhi
- Will set a meeting with Marie Williams since no one from Planning could be here

