

Meeting Notes

October 25, 2011 TAC Meeting #4

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Kauai Multimodal Land Transportation Plan

Attending:

- Celia Mahikoa, County Executive on Transportation
- Jeremy “Kalawai’a” Lee, The Kauai Bus
- Marie Williams, County Planning
- Lyle Tabata, County Public Works
- Barbara Pendragon, County Housing
- Wynne Ushigome, County Public Works
- Michael Hinazumi, Hawaii DOT
- Ted K. Blake, Project Consultant
- Jim Charlier, Project Consultant

Project Update and General Discussion:

- Reviewed outcomes of five public workshops
- Reviewed district preferences
- Discussed ideas and issues from workshops
- Comments:
 - Should there be a resort network of visitor infrastructure?
 - Closing highway from Haena to end of road, open to residents only? role of transit? coordination with state?
 - Need for real bike lanes – misleading use of “routes” designation
 - Agriculture ideas (county role in coop, etc.) are worth pursuing
 - Kids do ride bikes in neighborhoods, especially in smaller towns

Report on Survey Research:

- Draft survey report reviewed
- Adequate response – printed and on-line surveys
- Reported mode share vs. estimated mode share
- Comments:
 - Concentration of trip ends in Lihue
 - Clear need for intermodal connectivity – first and last mile – bicycle and pedestrian connections to transit
 - Indicates pedestrian needs in town core areas
 - Also supports importance of close-by town pairs

Baseline Scenario – 2020 and 2035:

- Potential leading indicators: Land Use, Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), Transit Ridership, Mode Share, Petroleum Consumption, Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions, Physical Activity Levels
- Comments:
 - Concern about “de facto” population calculations – need to revisit use of county and state data to reconcile different approaches
- Draft Preferred Scenario will be goal-based and report on the same list of indicators



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Evaluation Criteria:

- Based on goals development
- Intended for use in program development and project prioritization

Plan Elements:

- Intended as a preliminary form of program definition
- Will provide basis for development of programs within the transportation plan
- Comments:
 - We do need to address County subdivision and county zoning ordinances – especially the need to address mixed use development
 - Should include partnerships – state and federal, public and private
 - Will need to address possible sources of revenue – need a realistic perspective on funding the transportation plan
 - Estimate program level costs for projects and programs before prioritization
 - County public works is already working on new county road standards
 - We need to add program entries for agriculture and tourism

Next Steps:

- Meeting with Poipu Beach Resort Association on Thursday
- Next TAC meeting on November 29

