

# Meeting Notes

## June 8, 2011 TAC Meeting

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### Attending:

- Celia Mahikoa, County Executive on Transportation
- Marie Williams, County Long Range Planner
- Wynne Ushigome, County Public Works
- Ted K. Blake, Project Consultant
- Jim Charlier, Project Consultant

### General Discussion:

#### Survey research

- Some data may already be available in a community indicators survey.
- Accuracy issues – small sample sizes, misrepresentation, self-selection, etc.

#### General Plan update

- Should address impact fees.
- How will this transportation plan support the development of the General Plan?

#### County roads

- Most future county roads will be built by developers.

### Project Objectives:

- We need to reduce congestion, especially in the tourist areas by making our transportation system more multimodal.
- We need to develop a clear picture of each community and what is most important to them, not just a single island plan.
- We should address how we can deal with the inevitable changes that Kauai will face, including population growth.
- The plan should address how to improve traffic safety and reduce the accidents associated with increasing congestion.
- We have to address the potential for continued increases in the price of gas, especially the resulting economic impacts.
- The plan should address how to get kids to school.
- The transportation plan should support other ongoing planning efforts. This plan should serve as the transportation element for the General Plan.
- The plan should provide a long-term strategic plan for our transit system.
- The plan should develop techniques and policies for balancing costs of development.

### Project Risks:

- Inconsistencies with the General Plan, the development plans and the Hawaii DOT land transportation plan.
- A plan that is just a document that sits on the shelf. (Need an implementation program that shows the year-by-year action plan, with responsibilities and costs.)
- Arousing development community opposition.
- A plan that costs more than the available revenues. Need to address whether the County can afford what is proposed.
- Arousing anti-multi-modal sentiments caused by the perception that the plan is urban.
- Plan is inappropriate for this island, which is rural and low-income.
- Failure to address issues associated with CPR subdivisions.

