Maui Renewable Energy Projects

Meeting with Homestead Leaders

Paukukalo, Wai'ehu Kou, Hui o Pulehunui February 4, 2013

<u>AGENDA</u>

- 1. Introduction/Background
- 2. Renewable Energy Primer
- 3. Process and Timetable for Renewable Energy Projects
- 4. Discussion on Identified Parcels
- 5. Discussion on Proposed Template for Homestead Benefits
- 6. Energy Policy Update Heads-up

1. INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

- In the January HHC Meeting, the Commission approved posting of a public notice in all of the major newspapers announcing that DHHL would be accepting letters of interest for renewable energy development on Maui Hawaiian Home Lands at Kahikinui, Pulehunui, and Honokowai. Upon concerns raised, the Department committed to meet with homestead leaders. <u>See HHC Submittal, Dated Jan 14,</u> <u>2013, Item F-4</u>
- On January 18, 2013 the Public Notice was published in newspapers and our website. <u>See Public Notice</u>
- The Planning Office and Land Management Division have scheduled a number of meetings on Maui as a means to engage beneficiaries in this process.
 - a. Briefing meetings with homestead leaders--Jan 31, Feb 4 and Feb 5.
 - b. Special HHC Meeting on Maui Feb 14
 - c. Two (2) Public Hearings on Maui Feb 14 and 15
 - d. Maui Beneficiary Consultation Meeting (Applicants/Lessees) March 4

2. WHY IS THE DEPARTMENT SOLICITING RENEWABLE ENERGY PROPOSALS?

- The Department is pursuing opportunities for renewable energy development because the Trust needs the money.
- Electric Companies are required by law to meet specific renewable energy standards by 2015, 2020, 2030 and 2040. All companies have met the 2015 requirements; HELCO has already met the 2040 standard.



- In order to meet these standards, the Electric Companies are buying renewable energy through Requests for Proposals, the Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) program and Net-Metering.
- MECO is getting ready to release a RFP for 50 MW of renewable energy on island (25MW firm; 25MW intermittent). HECO is getting ready to release a RFP for 200 MW of renewable energy for O'ahu that can be generated off-island—proposals must include the development of an undersea transmission cable. The RFPs give developers a very short time to respond.
- Developers have a better chance at bidding for the RFPs if they already have site control; their bids can be more accurate if site variables (location, terrain, development constraints, community benefits) are known.

3. WHAT IS THE DEPARTMENT'S EXPERIENCE IN WORKING WITH RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPERS?

• Table 1 identifies Trust lands that have been issued for renewable energy development.

Land Disposition	Lessee	Acres	Energy	Annual Rent	Lease Term	Price/Ac/Yr
General Lease Section 204(a)(2)	Kalaeloa Solar One LLC	82	10 MW	\$856,659	22 years	\$10,447
Chapter 171-95	One LLC					
General Lease	Kalaeloa	30	5 MW	\$302,760	22 years	\$10,142
Section 204(a)(2)	Home Lands					
Chapter 171-95	Solar LLC					
General Lease	Big Island	12.61	1,000	\$450,000	55 years	\$35,686
Section 204(a)(2)	Carbon LLC		tons			
Chapter 171-59			granular			
			carbon			
License	Homestead	55	12 MW	\$100,800	22 years	\$183
Section	Community					
207(c)(1)(B)	Development					
	Corp. and					
	KIUC					

 Table 1: Trust Lands Issued for Renewable Energy Development

4. WHAT IS THE PROCESS AND TIMETABLE FOR THE MAUI RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS?

- The attached flowchart identifies the process for the projects—including approvals, public hearings, and opportunities for beneficiaries to engage in the process.
- The quick timeframe ensures that projects selected for development on Maui Trust lands will have the best shot at securing energy agreements with the Electric Companies.

5. WHAT PARCELS/AREAS ARE BEING MADE AVAILABLE FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT?

- Kahikinui Tract: Makai portion, up to 500 acres
- Pulehunui Tract: Industrial/Agricultural Homestead parcel, up to 500 acres
- Honokowai Tract: General Agricultural areas on both sides of the gulch, up to 400 acres











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6. FRAMEWORK FOR DISCUSSION ON HOMESTEAD BENEFITS TEMPLATE

- "Community Benefits Agreement" emerged in the late 1990s as a was for development projects to:
 - a. Mitigate negative impacts (environmental, social, cultural, economic) associated with the project
 - b. Be a good corporate neighbor
 - c. Secure local community support of the project which expedites permitting processes
 - d. Ensure that the community most affected by the project, benefit from the project
 - e. Ensure that the economic development projects bring measurable and permanent improvement in the lives of those most affected, especially low-income, economically depressed communities.
- <u>Project-Specific Benefits:</u> The Department has negotiated homestead benefits as conditions of General Lease agreements in the past, but these project-specific negotiations have not been consistent. There have been different types of benefits (in-kind, monetary), distributed through different means, distributed over different times (one-time, recurring). Outcomes are different due to the project-specific negotiations.
 - a. Hilo, Waiakea Center--\$100,000 annual donation
 - b. Kahikinui--\$1 million road
 - c. Anahola Solar—20% rent; 2% of gross revenues
 - d. Kalaeloa—Education scholarship fund
- <u>Across-the-Board Allocations</u>: Another approach is to establish a certain percentage that would be applied to all projects, across-the-board, that would be used for homestead benefits. Different percentages have been discussed—15% of revenues to NHRF—and the Energy Ad Hoc Committee is recommending 20% of land revenues.
 - a. Percent of lease rent revenue?
 - b. Percent of gross revenue?
 - c. Percent in addition to lease rent revenue?
- <u>Required elements</u> in any homestead benefit agreement:
 - a. Benefits the Trust—is an asset for the Trust
 - b. Equity and Fairness in Benefits---balances distribution of benefits between those homesteads that are most impacted versus other homestead areas versus other beneficiaries (Undivided Interest lessees, applicants).
 - c. If money is involved, it must be accountable—need to set up a structure for handling the money, need to establish how monies would be distributed, need to determine who decides how the monies would be distributed, what is the decision-making process?
 - d. The Department needs to be involved in the negotiated agreement.
 - e. Make it as easy as possible for developers to deliver homestead benefits.

DISCUSSION ON HOMESTEAD BENEFITS PACKAGE TEMPLATE

HHC-APPROVED REGIONAL PLAN PRIORITY PROJECTS USING PAUKUKALO-WAI'EHU KOU AS AN EXAMPLE

Paukukalo Armory Site Development	Site/facility to service the needs of the region, including, for example, a kupuna center, a certified kitchen, and a native Hawaiian health care center.
Investigate Feasibility of Use of Wai`ehu Kou Vacant Lands between Wai`ehu Kou III and IV	The Wai`ehu Kou beneficiaries are interested in investigating possible uses for vacant lands located between Wai`ehu Kou III and IV. Several options for this site include a community garden, agricultural production, permaculture, and crop planting.
Address Traffi c Congestion and Transportation Needs	Possible projects include: Extending the County bus line to provide public transportation for Wai`ehu Kou homesteaders and an internal bike path and walking trail network system which would connect Wai`ehu Kou I, II, III, and IV.
Address drainage issue at Paukukalo.	Need drainage improvements along the section of Kalākaua Street that intersects with Kūhiō Place and Keali`i Drive, to address flooding and drainage problems.
Identify Community Economic Development Uses at Pu`unēnē	Explore the possibilities of using lands at Pulehunui (100 acres of industrial lands) to generate revenue for DHHL and homesteads associations.

DIRECT ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO BENEFICIARIES

Job Training	Opportunities for training to better qualify for pre- development and project services contracts, construction and project jobs
Construction Jobs	Opportunities to be hired for temporary project construction jobs
Project Services	Opportunities to provide project contract services on a fee basis (e.g., security services, janitorial services, equipment maintenance services)
Project Jobs	Opportunities to be hired for full-time or part-time, salary or hourly, project jobs

NATIVE HAWAIIAN DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS (existing NHDPP)

Education Scholarships	May specify field of study, college, merit or need, students from certain communities, other criteria. Specify general or specific endowment or one-time contribution.
Farm and Pastoral Support	Specify nature of support for farm and pastoral homestead groups and lessees. May include training, technical assistance, financing, marketing. Forms of support can include mentoring, internships, financial contributions, volunteering, use of equipment to clear and grub land.
Homestead Organization Capacity-Building	Specify nature of support for homestead organizations to achieve their vision and objectives. May include training, technical assistance, financing, management support, access to third-party expertise. Forms of support can include mentoring, internships, grants and loans, volunteering.

Community	Specify nature of support for homestead
Economic	organizations to achieve economic self-sufficiency.
Development	May include training, technical assistance, financing,
Capacity-Building	management support, access to third party
	expertise. Forms of support can include mentoring,
	internships, grants and loans, volunteering.
Cultural and Natural	Efforts to support the proper protection,
Resources	management, and use of cultural and natural
	resources on Hawaiian home lands. Resources may
	be in project region or in a designated historic,
	cultural, or natural preserve (e.g. Hakalau Forest
	Preserve, Waiohuli Native Dry Forest, Kamaoa-
	Puueo National Historic Landmark, Waiawa Valley,
	Moomomi-Anahaki Preserve). Use of resources
	may be for cultural and land use purposes (e.g.,
	hula, medicine, worship, agricultural terraces, lo'i)
Island-Specific	Identify funding contributions to an island-specific
Native Hawaiian	endowment fund in order to fund island-specific
Homestead	homestead priorities.
Development	
Endowment Fund	

LAND DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS IMPROVE LAND FOR NATIVE HAWAIIAN USE

Pre-Development Services	Opportunities to provide project planning, design/architectural, inspection, construction services on a fee basis
Oversize On-Site Infrastructure	On-site roads, water, sewer, drainage systems built for your project, sized to accommodate planned future homestead uses nearby
Placement of Infrastructure	Roads, intersections, water, sewer, drainage systems built for your project, placed specifically to support planned future homestead uses nearby

Off-Site Infrastructure	Off-site highway intersection signals, water wells and storage, sewage treatment plants and reclamation, sized to accommodate planned future homestead uses nearby
Support Conservation & Re- Use	Efforts to support conservation and re-use of potable and non-potable water, treated wastewater, renewable energy for planned future homestead uses nearby

CREATE YOUR OWN BENEFITS PROJECT IN CONSULTATION WITH THE HOMESTEAD COMMUNITY

Adopt A Project	Commit to work, side-by-side, with a homestead community to plan, design, finance, build, and manage a community benefits project (e.g., community center, hula halau, taro loi, after school tutoring)
Adopt An Organization	Commit to work and engage with a homestead community to build their capacity as an organization, define their vision and goals, and carry out their community vision and goals. (e.g. a homestead association or sports league)
Adopt A Region	Commit to work and engage with a group of homestead communities in a region to build their capacity as an organization, define their vision and goals, and carry out their vision and goals for the region. (e.g. support a new regional park)
Adopt A Cause	Commit to work with public and private entities to achieve a measureable community benefit. (e.g. to increase high school graduation rates by xx % in xxx years, to restore a native species population to xx in xxx years, to reduce addiction from xxx to xxx in xx years.