

HHC Agenda Item G-3

# Update on Pūlehunui Master Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement for Regional Infrastructure Master Plan

Presentation to the Hawaiian Homes Commission May 20-21, 2019 Waimea, Hawai'i

## Purpose

Provide the Hawaiian Homes Commission (HHC) with a recap of the Pūlehunui Master Plan

Present the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Regional Infrastructure Master Plan

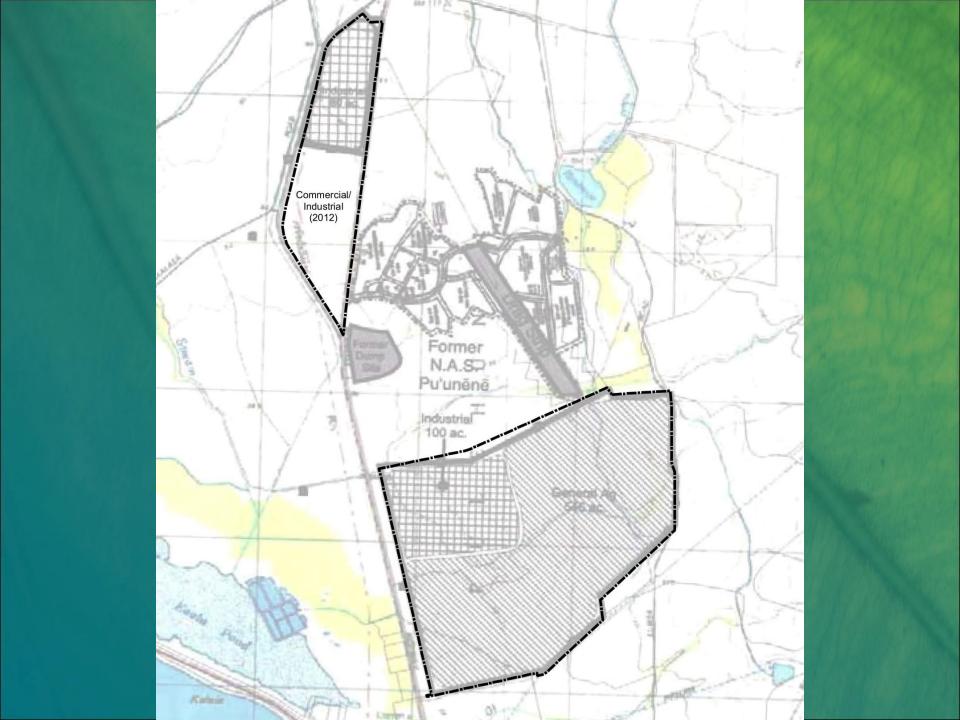
## **Presentation Outline**

- - Property and Project Background
  - Master Planning Effort for DHHL Lands
- Final Environmental Impact Statement
- Project Schedule and Next Steps

# Property and Project Background

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) continues to lead an effort to develop a regional infrastructure master plan on behalf of four State agency stakeholders: DHHL, DLNR, DAGS, and PSD. The infrastructure is intended to serve certain State lands located along Maui Veterans Highway in Central Maui.





# **Planning Approach**

- Infrastructure planning effort for four State agencies who plan to develop at Pulehunui
  - All projects require basic infrastructure
  - All projects trigger their own HRS Chapter 343 environmental review
  - 2014 Memorandum of Understanding
- Legislative appropriation to DHHL
  - \$4 Million for a Regional Infrastructure Master Plan and EIS
  - \$17.5 Million to design and build wastewater infrastructure
- Benefits to Hawaiian Home Lands Trust
  - Regional infrastructure will service DHHL parcels
  - Use of State funds for infrastructure development
  - Get a more detailed understanding of Beneficiaries' desired land uses at Pūlehunui South

## **Community Engagement**

#### Efforts undertaken to date include:

- Publication of the EIS Preparation Notice: December 23, 2017
- Public EIS Scoping Meeting: January 18, 2018
- Beneficiary Online Agriculture Survey: April 2018
- Beneficiary Planning Charrettes:
  - April 21, 2018
  - April 28, 2018
- Beneficiary Report Back Meeting: September 5, 2018
- Publication of the Draft EIS: November 8, 2018

### Pūlehunui South



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Pülehunui South Maui Veterans Highway Intersection (Potential) Internal Access Roads (Assumed Primary) Future Kihei Bypass (Concept) Future Keālia Pond Bypass (Concept) Mauka Connector Road (Concept) Prevailing Wind Direction Drainage Gulch Rocky Area / Not Recently Farmed Field Roads Man Made Objects Elevation Contours (5-ft intervals)

#### Flood Zones

XS - 0.2% Annual Chance Flood A - 1% Annual Chance Flood AE - 1% Annual Chance Flood (BFE) AO - Flood Depths of 1-3'

VE- Coastal Flood Zone, Wave Hazard (BFE)

#### **Proposed Land Uses**

Farms (±146 ac.) Ag Support (±24 ac.) Subsistence Ag/Homesteads (±238 ac.) Beneficiary Gardens (±27 ac.) Commercial Enterprises (±70 ac.) Farmers Market (±11 ac.) Culture & Arts (±18 ac.)

> Education (±33 ac.) (±31 ac.)

Open Space/Existing Gulch **Total Land Area** 

WWTP Site Option

#### Conceptual Plan **PÜLEHUNUI SOUTH**

Linear Scale (feet)





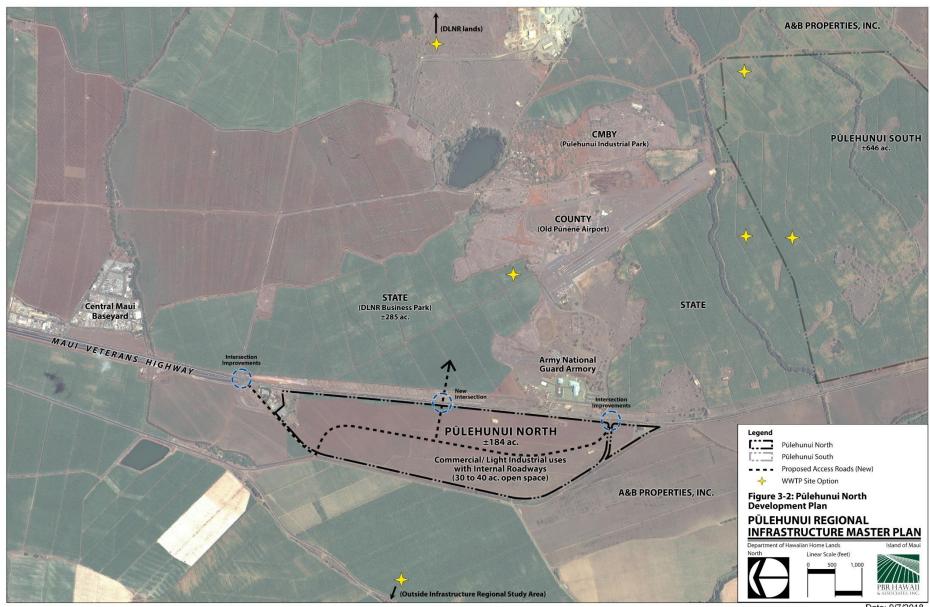


Island of Mau

(±48 ac.)

646 ac.

### Pūlehunui North



Date: 9/7/2018

## **Environmental Impact Statement**

- Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS)
- Hawai'i Administrative Rules Title 11, Chapter 200, Environmental Impact Statement Rules
- Section 343-5 (e), HRS
  - Trigger: Use of State Lands and Funds
  - Possible Trigger: Propose any Wastewater Treatment Unit

Due to the scope of the project, an EIS is being prepared.

# Section 11-200-12(b), HAR: 13 Significance Criteria

There are no changes to Significance Criteria between the Draft and Final EIS.

- 4. Substantially affects the economic welfare, social welfare, and cultural practices of the community or State;
- 6. Involves secondary impacts, such as population changes or effects on public facilities;
  - Indirect socio-economic impacts
  - Indirect impacts to public facilities and services
- 8. Is individually limited but cumulatively has a considerable effect upon the environment or involves a commitment for larger actions;
  - Cumulative impacts to landscape and view planes
  - Positive cumulative economic impacts
  - Temporary cumulative impacts related to construction (air quality, stormwater runoff, noise, and traffic)
- 13. Requires substantial energy consumption.
  - Will require additional energy consumption related to buildout and ongoing operations

## **Mitigation Measures**

There are no changes to any of the proposed mitigation measures between the Draft and Final EIS. Comments received on the Draft did not necessitate any changes to the mitigations proposed.

#### **Alternatives Considered**

The basic alternatives considered remain the same between the Draft and Final EIS.

- No Action
- Alternatives Requiring Actions of a Significantly Different Nature
- Alternatives Related to Different Designs or Details of the Proposed Action
  - Various infrastructure solutions
- Postponing Action Pending Further Study

# Revisions to Draft EIS Going into Final EIS

- 45 Day Comment Period
- 14 responses
  - TIAR revised in response to Planning
  - CIA revised in response to PSD
  - Additional environmental studies underway in response to DOH
- Continued exploration of regional infrastructure alternatives
  - Traffic fair-share contributions (same)
  - Water Alternative 1A (same)
  - Wastewater Alternative 2A-1 (previous preferred was Alternative 4)
  - Drainage site-based stormwater management (same)

### **Next Steps**

- HHC Action: May 30, 2019
  - Publication of Final EIS: June 23, 2019
  - **△** Anticipated acceptance by Governor: September, 2019

#### Schedule Milestones

Pülehunui Regional Infrastructure Master Plan (EIS)

July-Nov 2017	Dec-Jan 2018	Aug-Sept 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-May 2019	June-July 2019	Aug-Sept 2019
Project Start	Publish EISPN	Finalize Technical Studies	Publish Draft EIS	Respond to comments	Submit FEIS for OEQC review	Governor accepts Final EIS
State Agency Coordination	Public EIS Scoping Meeting	Finalize Conceptual Plan	45-day comment period	Complete Final EIS	OEQC recommends FEIS	Publish Final EIS
Background Research	30-day comment period	MOU agencies review Draft EIS			acceptance	
Site Analysis		Respond to comments				

### **Maui Island Plan Amendment**

When the EIS process is complete, DHHL Planning staff will pursue an amendment to the Maui Island Plan, to reflect the agriculture supporting uses at Pūlehunui South.

### Conclusion

- The Pulehunui Master Plan has not changed between the Draft and Final EIS. The plan reflects an updated understanding of Beneficiaries' preferences and needs.
- Based on agency and public comments, proposed mitigations, and the Final EIS analysis, the Regional Infrastructure Master Plan will have significant impacts, with substantial benefit to DHHL and the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust.
- The EIS commits to several measures that serve to avoid, minimize, or mitigate negative impacts as much as possible.

