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Aloha Commissioners,

The Big island Plan cannot go through the way it is designed. It is hard to believe any local helped design this plan. Please do not send this forward to the County Council as it is.

Here are some concerns:

- A huge part of the plan is dedicated to "Climate Change". However, why do most experts state there is NO climate danger? [Climate Experts Speak Out Against Climate Danger Click Here!](#)
- The word "Stakeholder," defined in the plan, is written 86 times and means anyone worldwide can have input on this plan.
- Please recommend Stakeholder change to the following: "Local Communities". Local Communities are local Big Island farmers, homeowners, renters, organizations, businesses, and individuals who live on Big Island or have property on Big Island that will be personally affected by projects, decisions, or activities in the general plan. Effective local community engagement and management are crucial for the success and sustainability of any initiative, as it helps ensure that diverse perspectives and interests are considered.
- The OSCER Department in the plan will null and void all public input and leave decisions to unelected officials. This is NOT okay! This department should not be created. This is on page 188, 40.8. Our voices will be silenced by OSCER.
- The Planning Department has sent out letters to many homeowners telling them their land use will be changed from resident to recreation due to the General Plan 2045. This drastically lowers their property value and opens the door to rezoning the area. This is not Pono. It breaks the Aloha Spirit law § 5-7.5. To reduce someone's property value is not okay. This must be made pono again.
- There is a significant section on climate change and things that will be affected. This needs to be further researched. There are over 1900 credentialed scientists who say there is no climate danger. Here is the pdf showing the scientists and what country they are from. <https://clintel.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/WCD-241023.pdf> [John Coleman, the first weather man for Good Morning America and the Founder of the Weather Channel has gone on CNN and other media outlets stating. "There is no climate danger". He explain the reason for this narrative is the investors, in renewable energy, want to make these changes.](#)
- Hilo needs a Community Development Plan. How can a Big Island General Plan move forward without that? Hilo is 22% of the island.
- 1.13 under "Increase the biodiversity and resilience of native habitats" reads, ***"Incentivize private land management practices that protect and enhance natural resource values and, when appropriate, pursue the acquisition of lands for the protection of natural resources."*** "Incentives" mean more

taxes. "Protection" means more rules. Who's "values" is this plan referring too because it's not the locals? "Pursue the acquisition of lands." Does this say they are going to pursue taking people's private property? Again, with "protection of natural resources". This plan should be focused on people growing more food, and it is doing the exact opposite!

- This plan wants to turn land into "conservation". The exact opposite is what is needed for Big Island! We need to turn land into Ag Villages and grow more food! Steve Shropshire, a resident of Papaikou, has created an Ag Villages plan.

Ag Village to add to the General Plan:

Papaikou Ag Village Objectives:

https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_2cb1cc6d604f4cdd971ad40831c745bc.pdf

Papaikou Site Plan:

https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_5e4cdb02efeb46a5ae949a3579aff00d.pdf

Papaikou Development:

https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_c2af52c8b3c645b1a6868a724eee8304.pdf

A Hawaiian born Kanaka revised the Collaborative Biocultural Stewardship that is in the plan. You can see it in the pdf [below](#):

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One: https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_0a1d5be8f1d140069415f7b691725786.pdf

Part Two: [https://86fc0cbd-8207-4076-85fa-](https://86fc0cbd-8207-4076-85fa-5a62e4e933b4.usrfiles.com/ugd/86fc0c_ecc498ba192d4a7689ebf31c3681c2ec.pdf)

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Here is a longer revised version of the plan from locals:

https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_b34739e4c99c461685de4c0207bf286e.pdf

The way this plan is written is very far from what will support our island.

Mahalo,

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