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Subject: General Plan
Date: Friday, January 17, 2025 3:22:15 PM

Dear Council Members,

Big Island is a mostly rural County with limited development potential due to topography, expensive energy supplies, and limited infrastructure including roads, water, sewage, power, and healthcare.

In fact, Hilo would only make #28 in size compared to a small State of Washington.

The General Plan for 2045 reads like a UN Agenda 2030 outline with some local flavor. It is my contention that the UN Agenda applies mostly to metropolitan areas to which Big Island has none. Based on this premise, the plan for Big Island should not adopt UN Agenda speak but be crafted with local input based on Big Island's unique needs and challenges.

There is an entire section dealing with climate change. The fact that climate is changing is nothing new to mankind but the thought of attempting to change climate by any action taken by Big Island residents and government is an act of wasteful spending and folly. If Big Island were to achieve a so-called net zero target, it would have exactly zero impact on Earth's climate. There are many examples now around the world where attempts to try and achieve net zero are causing energy prices to soar and electric grids to become less sustainable.

Germany, UK, and even the State of CA are moving toward unsustainable energy distribution with their current mix of "renewables". The current fire in one of the world's largest battery plants in California spells out the extreme risk and high cost of using solar with battery backups.

One of the primary goals for Big Island should be viable, sustainable, lower cost alternatives for electricity production as this alone will open doors for other sustainable development.

This means moving away from misinformation on solar and wind and looking at more reliable modular nuclear and natural gas options. Without moving in the direction as a first step, there is no such thing as sustainability. There is no safe way to store solar power at scale and the risks are very high. Please observe what the tech companies are doing in conjunction with their new data centers.

Regards,

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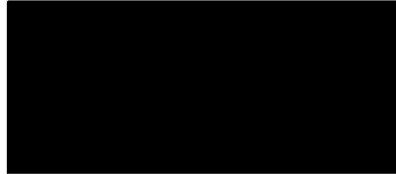
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Subject: Definitions of Stakeholder, Natural Disaster and Equity
Date: Friday, January 17, 2025 8:22:43 AM

Good morning Commission. April as well.

The definitions in question yesterday and frankly every part of the General Plan can easily be found by putting UN in front of the word search. I do not think looking at an english dictionary will define them properly for your understanding of the global governance plan.

Natural Disaster is not in the plan because:

[No Natural Disasters](#)



No Natural Disasters

A hazard can only become a disaster once it impacts on society or community. A hazard is natural, disasters are ...

Stakeholders:

https://sustainablect.org/fileadmin/Random_PDF_Files/Equity_Action_PDFs/Developing_an_Equity_Impact_Statement__1_.pdf

Equity: here is a the big glossary <https://unsceb.org/sites/default/files/2024-01/DEI%20Glossary.pdf>

Thank you,
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Subject: Testimony against the GP (The gavel was not needed)
Date: Saturday, January 18, 2025 9:44:35 AM

Aloha Planning Commissions,

I'm a bit in shock and confused. Every meeting for over 6-months has had everyone, except two in this last meeting, telling you not to put this plan through and you are still moving forward with it and only recommending certain words be added or changed.

Do you work for the people or the "State"?

Is this only a dog and pony show?

Do the people not have power to tell you what we want and **it be followed** not just heard?

This is very concerning.

The General Plan Manager said the source of "Climate Change" was given to her by the "authority of the State". Nowhere in the General Plan does it say that.

She said she has a 3-page document that shows the source of climate change. Again, these 3 pages are not in the General Plan. I could not find them.

The following is not a threat. **It is a fact.**

The Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 710, outlines criminal offenses related to the use of false statements or entries, including making a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, considered a class C felony. Again, not a threat, a fact!

You make us raise our right hand and swear to tell the truth. Why don't you do the same for the General Plan manager?

"Climate change" or really climate danger is the foundation of the entire plan and if it is false, which it is, then the entire plan should NOT be recommended. It cannot go through based on a false premise and could be considered a felony since it is a false claim. That is a fact, not a threat.

How does the "State" have more expertise on climate change than experts in the climate field who are saying around the world that there is **no climate danger**. Where is their source?

I've sent this already and here it is again.

Experts stating there is no climate danger:

- **Founder of the weather channel** and 1st meteorologist on Good Morning America in the 70's, John Coleman <https://youtu.be/K56fms2VZTc?si=leus7DhWFbEPHb5c>
- 1971 credential scientists signed world declaration that this is no climate danger <https://clintel.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/WCD-250104.pdf>
- National library of medicine says earth is cooling <https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC7575229/>
- 50 year meteorologist says earth is cooling https://youtu.be/sa-_tIITPnM?si=r_2mHSKU6LUEzI5n
- MIT Professor of Meteorology says it's deceptive to worry about the climate changing because it always will and always has. <https://youtu.be/pwvVephTIHU?si=-vMh0qAFxqRczmiu>

(I can give more climate expert testimony if needed.)

This is a ruse to bring in SMART City and Electric vehicles **where the renewable energy and electric companies will prosper** and the people's expenses will increase, their right to privacy will be eliminated and many freedoms will be taken away.

Plus, the General Plan Manager shared info that only 2 electric vehicles have caught fire in the past 10 years but she didn't say where are the electric vehicles going to be put when they die?

They are a **hazard waste** (they emit toxic fumes if the engine block is cracked) and **cannot** be put in the landfill. Who is going to pay for them to get shipped off island and who will take them? What about the increased stress on the electric grid that is already over taxed?

Who is the State?

Hawaii is not a "State". It is a US occupied territory as all locals know.

It's important to state that The "County of Hawaii" and the "State of Hawaii" are both corporations, which are verified businesses with a DUNS and Bradstreet number. Which means the State has no authority over us, "We the People". They are not the government, they are a business and in **commerce**.

The Hawaii Planning Department is a department under the "State of Hawaii". This means they are all **in commerce, doing business**, making money, and not a Government for the people. **This is fraud**. This also means that to do business with living men and women they MUST have a contract and consent of the people to do so.

The Planning Department has sent letters to homeowners stating their land-use will change from residential to recreational per this General Plan, which drops their property value.

Show us the superior title where the Planning Department, which is part of the State of Hawaii corporation, has power over someone's land.

The General Plan Manager also stated that the land that will be moved into "Conservation" is already "State" owned land. Again, what "State" is she referring to? The only "State" I could find are those that are running as businesses in Hawaii under the false pretense that they are part of the Government for the people. They are corporations and corporations are **in commerce doing business**. They are not taking action for the people. They are taking action to make money.

Show us the property taxes and mortgages where the State owns the land. Did queen Liokalani when she abdicated the throne under duress then give land title over as well? I would like to see those documents.

If the "State" owns the land, where is the title with their DUNS and Bradstreet number showing the "State" owns the land?

I thought that land was slowly going back to the Hawaiian people through the Hawaiian Home Lands department.

Where in the General Plan is it honoring the Planning Departments **contract** with Hawaii Homelands?

The General Plan Manager was asked by you to show where Hawaii Homelands is written in the plan at the next meeting, which was this last meeting. She didn't do it because Hawaii Homelands isn't written in the plan at all, not once.

They say people helped with this plan, where are they? I'd like to see documentation that

shows what people approved of this plan and their signatures and I would like to see it in an affidavit under penalty of purgee.

The Hawaii Planning Department cannot simply decide to do something without the consent of the people and we DO NOT CONSENT!

The Hawaii **General Plan is a plan against free living men and women under God and is a plan for corporations** looking to gain both land, money, and power under the guise of being for the people.

You've seen the testimonies against this plan and you must see that this island will forever change and not for the better under this plan. Please do your kuliana and **recommend it not go through**. I am of "We the people" and I do not consent.

You must not recommend this plan not go through.

Will you take action for the people or only hear what we say and not follow our wishes?

[Duns and Bradstreet Business Numbers:

- State of Hawaii: D-U-N-S number: 077676997 (Active)
- County of Hawaii: D-U-N-S number: 083899771 (Active)
- EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII: D-U-N-S number: 949177471 (Not in Business)

Mahalo,

Michelle Melendez

From: [Monique Lukens](#)
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Subject: Re: Stop
Date: Saturday, January 18, 2025 11:38:27 PM

Do not take away the right to transfer property to one's offspring.

Do not make a Smart City limiting where people can go. Do not force them to drive electric cars. There are better solutions. 5G interferes with oxygen intake. Do not expand this. Stop cloud seeding, so people can breathe and to not start another plasma fire.

I was in Hawaii in 1986. I was so sad to leave. Please take care of her and the native residents. They are souls.

Monique Lukens
Los Angeles, CA

From: [Martin Dixon](#)
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Subject: 2045 General Plan Testimony
Date: Sunday, January 26, 2025 6:07:46 PM

To whom this may concern,

I am writing as a resident of Hawai'i Island, in complete opposition to this plan. It is overreaching and unnecessary.

Sincerely,
Martin Dixon

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Michelle Melendez](#)
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Subject: General Plan Direct Edits from 5x award winning author here!
Date: Sunday, January 26, 2025 4:56:11 PM

Aloha Planning Commissioners and County Council Members,

I am a **5-time award winning author**. I'm not a conspiracy theorist. I'm a professional researcher! That is what I do.

I'm sending the exact areas that we the people are concerned with. It seems that you are ignoring our wishes to recommend this plan NOT go through. That is not okay.

The Leeward Chair wants the exact pages that we have issues with so here are our concerns again, as I've already sent this once:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/16sz0Uug8jN3zT_MisDzLIW4jBWltEqqP0UrfMPWYpQo/edit?tab=t.0

My question to you is who do you work for?

I stated numerous times that not one person in over 6-months has stepped forward saying they worked on this plan and support it in its entirety. That is a problem!

Please do what is right and honor the wishes of those you've volunteered to serve and recommend **this plan not go through**. We are literally screwed if you don't.

Mahalo nui loa,

Michelle Melendez

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Subject: The Big Island General Plan Testimony

100% of the Community has been AGAINST this General Plan at the in person meetings.

For one, this plan was NOT written for ordinary citizens to understand.

In some of its explanations, it does NOT use the exact title but abbreviations, which it does NOT explain.

It does NOT FULLY explain their "Master Plans" or "Impact Ordinances Fees," and it does NOT make many other items clear in this General Plan.

This General Plan should be clear, and it's NOT. It feels very SHADY and brings feelings of CORRUPTION, and there are links that show our rights could be taken away if this General Plan is implemented.

The 2045 General Plan looks to want to do all of this:

As you will see below the General Plan talks about "Clustering" us into "PUD" living through their **TDR Program that will, "When the Government undertakes compulsory acquisition of individual land parcels for creating infrastructural projects... <https://www.hdfc.com/blog/property-and-real-estate/transferable-development-rights-tdr-concept>**

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9.3 Zoning, subdivision, and other applicable ordinances shall provide for and protect open space areas.

What does the county mean by "other applicable ordinances"? Because an Ordinance is "a law or rule made by a government or authority" What rules does the county want to put on ALL of us because they are not explaining this in their GP.

The above info was taken from this

site: <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/ordinance>

9.4 Support mechanisms, such as PUD and Cluster Plan Development (CPD), that group parcel density to preserve open space, recreational areas, or scenic viewsheds.

The GP DOES NOT explain what a PUD means.

Taken from this

site: <https://www.forbes.com/advisor/mortgages/what-is-a-planned-unit-development/>

"A planned unit development, or PUD, is a community of single-family homes, and sometimes condos or townhomes, where every homeowner belongs to a homeowners association (HOA)."

Taken from this site: https://www.zillow.com/learn/what_is_pud/

"To most home shoppers, a planned unit development (PUD) may look like a single-family home. But the legal structure for a PUD is more similar to that of a condo and can impact the mortgage process."

"Again, you'll need to read all these documents to determine whether that specific PUD is right for you. And remember, all PUDs are different, so each one will have its own set of rules and restrictions."

9.6 In the review of discretionary permits, consider land use compatibility to ensure proximate compatible and complementary uses and appropriate mitigation measures.

What does the above sentence mean? Why isn't the General Plan written for ordinary citizens to understand?

It seems they want to "ensure proximate compatible and complementary uses and appropriate mitigation measures." What is "proximate compatible"? What are the "appropriate mitigation measure"?

9.a Develop a process for County-initiated State land use boundary reclassification to best align State Land Use with County long-range plans.

The County has given letters to change Land Use Titles all over the Big Island. Does this mean the State wants to align with with the County and wants to "Develop a process for County-initiated State land use boundary reclassification to best align State Land Use with County long-range plans."

Is this allowing them to change land use boundaries through their "reclassification" on their maps?

Why are they trying to develop a process for the County to reclassify State land use boundaries?

What are the County long-range plans?

Pages 80, 82 & 87 mention the TDR Program and THEY DO NOT EXPLAIN THIS PROGRAM

9.d Define the types of open space that are sought to be protected and establish standards to be applied to ensure its protection.

Will this definition be able to take private lands away?

9.e Conduct a review and re-evaluation of the real property tax structure to simplify and assure compatibility with land use goals and policies

What are their "goals and policies"?

9.f Study the feasibility, issues, and opportunities related to the development of a TDR program to strategically preserve open space and achieve density to remain consistent with the land use pattern in accordance with the General Plan Land Use Maps.

The General Plan doesn't explain what TDR means. It is the Transfer of Development Rights.

Taken from site: <https://www.hdfc.com/blog/property-and-real-estate/transferable-development-rights-tdr-concept>

"When the Government undertakes compulsory acquisition of individual land parcels for creating infrastructural projects, it is required to compensate the land owners. The compensation provided by the Government is usually lower than the market rate, and hence they introduced the concept of Transferable Development Rights. These rights are obtained in the form of certificates, which the owner can use for himself or can trade in the market for cash."

Taken from site: https://njaes.rutgers.edu/highlands/transfer-development-rights.php?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAR2oM9RMwZPEYeQr6caNxt8RgLcBN3sJxBgaEBt7qO6VzR_wnGkmCnSWreE_aem_1ZCug_WZHv82MykEkHL3qw

"A TDR program seeks to preserve landowners' asset value by moving the right to build a house from a location where development is prohibited (e.g., for environmental reasons) to a location where development is encouraged."

The GP looks to give the full rights over Big Island land because it is the county that will decide the "environmental reasons" for incorporating land into the TDR program, which aims to give them full control over all the lands on Big Island and tell us where we can live by "prohibiting" areas from development.

"In the place where development is encouraged under TDR, zoning is changed to permit more units to be built." This sentence explains that a TDR program builds "units" and gives the county full rights to tell people where they can and cannot build homes through their TDR program.

"Because the money from this change in zoning is a windfall to current landowners in the development zone, the state is justified in laying claim to this money and turning it over to people whose development rights were taken away as a result of the environmental regulation."

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Everything below is to enforce their TDR program that they are not explaining.

13.1 Encourage flexibility in the design of residential sites, buildings, and related facilities to achieve a diversity of socio-economic housing mix and innovative means of meeting the market requirements.

13.2 Prioritize increase in density, rehabilitation, and redevelopment within existing zoned urban areas already served by basic infrastructure, or close to such areas.

13.4 Encourage the rehabilitation and/or utilization of maximum density in multi-family residential areas.

13.8 Focus on medium- and high-density residential and commercial uses in communities that can sustain a higher intensity of uses and where consistent with **General Plan Land Use Map** and existing town character

13.9 Support the **rezoning** of land to multiple residential near places of employment, retail, utilities, and educational, recreational, cultural, and public facilities.

This site

<https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/weblink/DocView.aspx?dbid=1&id=56156>, click on **Hawai'i Land Use Regulatory System** explains that Land Use Boundaries are initially set by the State Land Use Commissioner and

can be changed by County Council Ordinances, which is what this General Plan seems to be trying to do to land all over Big Island.

The links above also state, "the law also allows the state to conduct a period boundary review."

The **GP Land Use Map** has already sent letters to private landowners saying they have "**Rezoned**" their Land Use Titles. Some of these people have been at the meetings, saying that their Land Use Titles are now recreation lands that the landowner cannot pass on to their family or sell.

Who gives the county this right to change Land Use Titles? How is this legal?

PLEASE OPPOSE THIS FOR THE SAKE OF OUR COMMUNITY RIGHTS TO OWN LAND.

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s 30.1 Treat broadband access as a basic utility that is available to all communities.

The county doesn't explain that "broadband" is 5G [22 Advantages And Disadvantages Of Broadband Connection.](#)

Broadband

definition: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Broadband>

"In [telecommunications](#), broadband or high speed is the wide-
[bandwidth data transmission](#) that exploits signals at a wide spread of frequencies or several different simultaneous frequencies, and is used in fast [Internet access](#). The [transmission medium](#) can be [coaxial cable](#), [optical fiber](#), [wireless Internet \(radio\)](#), [twisted pair](#) cable, or [satellite](#)."

The term "broadband" refers to high-speed and high-bandwidth communication infrastructure.

“Broadband is the transmission of high-quality data of wide bandwidth. In its simplest form, it is a high-speed internet connection that is always on. Broadband connections include Wi-Fi, DSLs, fiber, and satellites.”

Taken from this

site:<https://www.investopedia.com/terms/b/broadband.asp>

Broadband will always be on. The county has NOT researched the health risks of this.

30.2 Develop and support a program of free, public-use broadband services at appropriate County-owned facilities, mass transit facilities, and other community anchor institutions.

What do they mean by “community anchor institutions”? What kind of institution do they want to create?

30.12 Plan for **broadband infrastructure to support smart grid development**

The county doesn’t mention wanting to turn the Big Island into a Smart City, and implementing a Smart Grid is the first step in this process.

<https://smartgrid.ieee.org/resources?cafid=0&id=223>

“A smart grid alone does three things. First, it modernizes power systems through self-healing designs, automation, remote monitoring and control... Thus, a smart grid sits at the heart of the smart city, which cannot fully exist without it”.

Also, a Smart Grid will allow them to have more control through “remote monitoring,” which will fully take our privacy away.

Smart Grid Info:

<https://minnovation.com.au/smart-cities-2/disadvantages-of-smart-cities-potential-challenges-and-concerns/>

“Privacy and Data Security:

Smart cities rely heavily on the collection and analysis of vast amounts of data from sensors, cameras, and connected devices. This data is crucial for optimizing city operations and services. However, the extensive data gathering raises concerns about privacy infringement and data security. Citizens worry about their personal information being accessed or misused.”

What are Smart Grids and Smart Cities? The county does not explain this in the

General Plan. It looks like they are hoping no one will research it.

<https://www.rfwireless-world.com/Terminology/Advantages-and-Disadvantages-of-Smart-Grid.html>

30.3 Collaborate with utility companies to incentivize the underground siting of electrical and telecommunications facilities within public rights-of-way

30.4 Continuously improve the use of broadband communications and digital technology to educate and provide public services with a focus on digital access.

30.5 Siting of new communications facilities shall comply with performance standards and site colocation as stated in the Code.

The above sentences are confusing because it looks like the county doesn't want us to understand that to create "telecommunications facilities fully," **they must put Cable underground; hence, they use the wording "underground siting."** So, we don't fully understand the consequences of laying cable under our streets.

They seem to want to confuse us, because "sitting" sounds better than causing serious traffic to dig up all the roads to lay down this kind of cable all over the Big Island, which will cost billions.

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30.b Develop standards for the siting and construction of wireless telecommunication facilities.

This site explains **what the General Plan doesn't explain about "siting and construction"** <https://primex.com/fiber-optic-internet-going-underground/>:

"The widespread adoption of Internet of Things (IoT) and smart home technology has internet service providers (ISPs) and integrators on the hunt for the most effective methods of broadband delivery for many scenarios.

"The cable will be closer to the surface and more vulnerable to damage. In this case, a more expensive cable that can withstand contact will be required. Cables buried in clay will also need to be of higher quality because the clay can hold stones and push them against the cable. In clay, the trench will also need to be much deeper.

In developed areas, the existing infrastructure can be problematic. Digging through concrete sidewalks and roads is costly and disruptive."

The traffic on Big Island has been increasing every month, and they want to dig up our two lane roads to "sit" their "broadband infrastructure"? THEY ARE NOT ADDRESS INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES ON ISLAND.

This site explains that laying cable underground <https://pulsefibre.co.uk/2023/06/15/when-more-is-less-the-risks-and-downsides-of-overbuild/>

"Fibre overbuilds in the 21st century are becoming a widespread problem, with more fibre cable being laid on streets than can ever be utilised by the residents. Not only does this often cause mayhem on the roads, with closures and roadworks slowing traffic, but Fibre overbuilds can lead to countless negative effects on the environment, and the eventual rise in cost to the consumer and developer."

The county is not focusing on the island's issues, like the fact we already have serious traffic issues. They want to create more traffic problems by laying down fibre cable that will create a "Broadband/Smart Grid," hence a Smart City, and they are explaining this by using minimal wording to confuse and obscure their true intentions.

The county is not acknowledging that Hawai'i Electric does NOT have the kind of power a Smart Grid needs, which will add to the island's already-existing power issues.

News Article: <https://www.hawaiianelectric.com/safety-and-outages/an-update-on-hawaii-island-power-generation>

"An update on Hawaii Island power generation – how you can help

..there's no one to call on for backup - we're on our own.

That's why we will need everyone to work together over the next month, and possibly longer, to conserve electricity. We are extremely tight on what we call our generation margin, the margin between the demand for electricity and our ability to supply it. This demand typically peaks on weekdays between 5 and 9 p.m. and that's when the margin is most critical."

The county has not provided any researched information on the health risks to people, animals, and the environment from "Broadband" which will always be on underground, and all over Big Island.

Electronics 360

Article: <https://electronics360.globalspec.com/article/11104/the-dangers-that-come-with-a-smart-grid>

Re: The Dangers That Come with a Smart Grid

#1

John Endres

2018-Feb-23 2:31 PM

"One very critical danger that comes with a "smart grid" was not mentioned: the adverse health effects from electromagnetic fields. Current estimates of people experiencing adverse health effects from wireless technology hover at around 5%--I am one of them. After the installation of a water utility smart meter at my place of work, I experienced an escalation of symptoms (over time) that started with headaches and ultimately culminated in a seizure (I lost control of my legs). One month prior to the smart meter installation I had a complete annual physical and was given a clean bill of health. I underwent a barrage of medical tests after a week of experiencing health symptoms (thyroid, EEG, MRI, etc.) and everything was normal. I did begin to feel some of the painful head and eye sensations (that I would feel near wireless sources) at the end of the MRI".

The county does not acknowledge the health risks associated with their "Broadband/Smart Grid" plan, all the associated issues due to putting the fibre cables underground, or the fact that it will cost billions to create. They worded everything in their General Plan to sound like it would benefit everyone, and it wouldn't!

30.9 Alleviate barriers and assist broadband projects with navigating through the regulatory permitting process.

They say "Alleviate barriers and assist broadband projects" are the barriers health regulations because the broadband will be on all the time?

What are the barriers the county is wanting to alleviate to create their broadband projects?

What is their "regulatory permitting process."?

The county mentions Broadband and a Smart Grid is the county also planning for an increase in cell towers? If so have they researched health issues because of cell towers?

There are cell towers on island where the top's are pointing straight at HWY's, homes, commercial areas, retirement homes...Because the island is mountainous, the

tops of these cell towers are only a few feet from these areas. These areas are getting the full blast of the radiation.

Has the county looked into the health risks of this cell towers?

Will they be allowing more towers to do this to our community?

On Palani Rd. and Queen K HWY, there are two cell towers whose tops are only a few feet from the HWY.

On Hualalai Rd., there is a cell tower facing a retirement home and it's less than 100 ft away.

In Hawi town, there is a cell tower at a gas station. The top of the tower is directly across from residential homes.

Has the county checked these places to do any research on whether people are being affected by cell tower radiation before they keep allowing and agreeing to more cell towers?

Physicians For Safe Technology Article: <https://mdsafetech.org/cell-tower-health-effects/>

"Overall results of this review show three types of effects by base station antennas on the health of people: radiofrequency sickness (RS), cancer (C) and changes in biochemical parameters (CBP). Considering all the studies reviewed globally (n = 38), 73.6% (28/38) showed effects: 73.9% (17/23) for radiofrequency sickness, 76.9% (10/13) for cancer and 75.0% (6/8) for changes in biochemical parameters...Of special importance are the studies performed on animals or trees near base station antennas that cannot be aware of their proximity and to which psychosomatic effects can never be attributed."

Will there be any health and safety research and studies on what a safe distance and a safe number of cell towers should be for human bodies, trees, and animals?

30.i Pursue partnerships and funding for broadband initiatives and deployments

30.j Support the coordination of infrastructure projects between the public and private sectors to create areas for the deployment of broadband zones

30.k Seek federal and other opportunities for the funding of broadband infrastructure.

The above information from their General Plan shows that the county seriously wants Broadband on this island. It would cause serious traffic because of having to dig up roads to lay "sit" cable, and they say nothing about doing any research on the health

risks to people, animals, and the environment because these cables will be on all the time.

30.l Support the State to develop a broadband dashboard to track progress and gaps that will inform decision-making in economic development on Hawai'i Island.

Do they want to track gaps so they can keep laying out more cable underground that will cause more traffic? What does the above 30.l mean?

30.m Foster public-private partnerships to support the development and expansion of broadband infrastructure, including community networks.

The people that would support this are the people who would make money from this.

Where is the health and safety research for this? It's NOT in their General Plan.

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13.13 Support master planning by public and private institutions and landowners which emphasize TOD, affordable housing, and mixed-use development.

TOD - Transit- Orientated Development (I had to research what TOD meant because I didn't see it the GP)

What is their "Master Planning" they want to support? I don't see any information on this.

What do they mean by public and private institutions?

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20.e Adopt a Complete Streets ordinance.

What is their "Complete Streets Ordinance"? They seem to be adding more rules, laws, and regulations, and are not fully explaining what they want to implement.

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13.10 Development of TODs and TNDs are encouraged within locations of the urban centers shown on the General Plan Land Use Map. These locations are approximate and become fixed during rezoning.

TNDs - Traditional Neighborhood Development

TOD - Transit- Orientated Development

They don't explain what these developments are. What would they look like? What are the positives and the negatives of these developments?

[This is a comment from a TOD policy from San Antonio: https://www.saspeakup.com/tod#tab-54195](https://www.saspeakup.com/tod#tab-54195)

"Overreaching and Too Vast in Scope: The plan covers an unnecessarily large area, extending far beyond what is reasonable for a transit-oriented development. By attempting to include vast tracts of land, it overreaches, applying policies to areas that are not appropriate or well-suited for the type of development envisioned. This broad application dilutes the effectiveness of the plan and places undue pressure on neighborhoods that may not be prepared for such changes."

What is the county's TOD plan?

They don't mention their plan and their "ordinances" for it, if any.

The island needs reliable buses. Where is their plan for buses?

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"The Urban Growth Areas (UGA) include highdensity Transit Oriented Development (TOD), medium-density Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND), and low-density Urban Neighborhood Centers. These centers provide physical, social, governmental, and economic concentrations and easier access to services, recreation, and employment activities."

They never mention their exact plan for implementing a TOD plan on page 86.

They don't give any ideas of how they will increase public transportation. The bus system has been breaking down for years and is rarely on time. They are not clear on what they mean by this at all. They say, "are encouraged."

Big Island's public transportation needs to be addressed. How can the island create better public transportation? They don't explain how they want to help public transportation.

Big Island's infrastructure also needs to be seriously addressed because traffic is increasing monthly without any sign of helping the infrastructure to accommodate the increase in traffic.

How can they help traffic infrastructure with a mountain on one side and a cliff on the other, with many of our roads? They don't offer any ideas.

This is what I found for to try and understand what they want to implement Transit-Oriented Development <https://fifthave.ca/benefits-and-drawbacks-of-transit-oriented-developments/>

1. Decreased Affordability and Property Values: The increased demand for housing in TOD areas may lead to rising property values and rental costs, potentially displacing existing low-income residents.

2. Displacement of Marginalized Communities: Gentrification can occur in TOD neighborhoods, pushing out long-time residents and causing social and economic disruptions.

3. Social and Cultural Homogenization: The emphasis on mixed-use developments might inadvertently lead to the homogenization of local cultures and businesses, eroding the unique character of the community.

4. Increased Pressure on Infrastructure: High-density developments can strain existing infrastructure, such as transportation networks, water, and sanitation systems, necessitating costly upgrades.

5. Unequal Distribution of Benefits: Without inclusive planning and involvement of all stakeholders, the benefits of TOD might disproportionately favor certain segments of the population.

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13.13 Support master planning by public and private institutions and landowners which emphasize TOD, affordable housing, and mixed-use development.

What is their "Master Plan"? Why should it be supported? Why aren't they clear on all their plans and ordinances?

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13.44 The development or designation of new resort areas should complement the character of the area; protect the environment and natural beauty; respect existing lifestyles, cultural practices, and cultural resources; and provide shoreline public access.

28.11 The County shall ensure that golf course developments develop and implement grading and site preparation plans to...

There are Notification Signs for development Applications all over the island, and the Big Island needs homes for its residents. It does NOT need more resorts and golf course developments because the island is having resource issues with the developments here now, and many more years of already-approved developments have not been completed yet.

Why is the General Plan approving more resorts and golf courses when the island's is having a hard time providing resources for all the developments that are here now, and there are years worth of developments that have already been approved.

Please read this petition: <https://www.change.org/p/help-big-island-resources-and-infrastructure-stay-safe-for-all-who-live-here-and-visit>

The West Hawai'i Sanitary Landfill, the only remaining landfill on the Big Island, is forecast to reach capacity within the next 20 to 25 years." <https://bigislandnow.com/2023/09/17/big-island-now-poll-no-27-results-more-than-one-solution-needed-to-help-extend-life-of-west-hawaii-landfill/>

"Hawai'i Water Supply Closely Monitored As Severe Drought Continues by Big Island Video Newson Nov 6, 2023 at 3:28 pm STORY SUMMARY HAWAI'I COUNTY - Officials say a special focus will be placed on the South Kohala Water System, which is more susceptible to drought conditions." <https://www.bigislandvideonews.com/2023/11/06/water-supply-closely-monitored-as-hawai%CA%BBi-under-severe-drought/>

HECO issues rolling power outages around Big Island by: Emily Cervantes Posted: Feb 13, 2024 / 05:11 PM HST Updated: Feb 13, 2024 / 09:12 PM HST Hawaiian Electric initiated rolling outages for Big Island after several large generators became unavailable and reduced output Tuesday night." <https://www.khon2.com/local-news/heco-releases-conservation-alert-for-big-island/>

13.e Amend Zoning Code to:

- i. Establish a TOD overlay zone project district with a minimum size of 15 acres.
- ii. Create a TND overlay zone for existing zoned lands within identified residential and commercial zoning districts.
- iii. Allow for residential uses in ML and MCX zoning districts.
- iv. Support innovative uses of alternative energy, agriculture, aquaculture, and others, in MCX zoning district

What exactly does "Establish a TOD overlay zone project district with a minimum size of 15 acres" mean?

What does a "TND overlay zone" look like?

What does ML and MCX stand for? These are not in their glossary, and I can't find them in the GP or online.

This General Plan is NOT CLEAR AND NEEDS TO BE OPPOSED, IF NOT ONLY FOR THE REASON THAT IT IS NOT CLEAR.

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14.1 Support the State Land Use reclassification to Rural in alignment with the General Plan Rural designation.

What is the General Plan Rural Designation?

The General Plan changes High-End Land Use Titles, for example Hokulia Lands from "Agriculture" to "Rural". This will allow this High-End developer to by pass things such as the Environmental Impact Statement and this is NOT good for the land or the community.

Please OPPOSE ALL HIGH-END DEVELOPERS LAND USE TITLE CHANGES THAT THE COUNTY WOULD LIKE TO CHANGE TO "RURAL" ALL WHILE CHANGING PRIVATE LANDS TO RECREATION THAT WILL NOT ALLOW THE PRIVATE LAND OWNER TO PASS THEIR LAND TO FAMILY OR SELL IT IN THE FUTURE.

14.2 Support reclassification/rezoning of appropriate General Plan Rural designated areas where an intermediate land use and a well-defined buffer between Urban and Productive Agricultural areas are consistent with the surrounding uses and rural character.

What is the "reclassification/rezoning of appropriate General Plan Rural designated..."?

They are changing Land Use Titles in the GP and that NEEDS TO BE OPPOSED!

4.4 Rural-style residential-agricultural developments, such as new small-scale rural communities or extensions of existing rural communities, should be incentivized to cluster in appropriate locations.

They want to "cluster" residents because the word "cluster" is used many times in this General Plan. What does this mean exactly?

14.b Amend the zoning districts currently listed as Family Agricultural District (FA) and the Residential and Agricultural Districts (RA) to be consistent with the Rural designation and to allow for home occupations that do not negatively impact rural character.

Would this mean the county would have the right not to approve homes on "Rural Designated" lands if they feel it can "negatively impact rural character"? Are they over-reaching their control?

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15.f Update the Real Property Tax Code for agricultural land uses that result in actual production or other public benefits, such as native forestry and the ecosystem services that result from well managed rangelands.

What does this mean? Will they increase taxes? We need farmers to want to work and afford life without increased taxes.

15.g Amend the Zoning Code to require Plan Approval for commercial open area recreational uses in the Agricultural District.

How do they want to Amend the Zoning Code?

15.i Develop standards and guidelines for buffer areas located adjacent to agricultural lands.

What does this mean? What kind of standards and guidelines do they want to implement?

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16.6 Provide for present traffic and future demands, including the development of mass transit programs for high-growth areas by both the private and public sectors.

How will they do this? Traffic keeps increasing monthly, and the roads are incredibly narrow, with a cliff on one side and a mountain on the other in many different areas all over the island. Where is their plan for this?

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17.4 Land use applications shall identify as early as possible any existing or potential active living corridors that should be incorporated into the County's open space network.

Who decides what a living corridor is? Is this the county's way of taking private land areas away?

17.5 Ensure that existing active living corridors that are publicly owned or available by easement are properly identified and that their access elements are secured and documented.

b) "Acceptance" by the County of the responsibilities detailed in the grant of easements should require County Council action and a dedicated funding source.

What does b) mean exactly? What is the "grant of easements"?

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9.2 Increase arterial capacity through prioritization of alternative means of transportation, such as mass transit, bicycle, and pedestrian systems.

What does this mean? What is their plan? How will they make "prioritization of alternative means of transportation"? Will we be fined or something if we don't follow their "alternative means of transportation"?

19.6 Use traffic demand management to aid in reducing traffic congestion by targeting an increase of active transportation mode share to 10 percent (bicycling, walking, micro-mobility)

What do they mean by "Use traffic demand management to aid in reducing traffic congestion"? Will they somehow limit cars?

19.7 Concurrency reviews should incorporate reduction in vehicle miles traveled to mitigate traffic impacts (e.g. the level of service) and achieve sustainability and demand management goals.

How are they going to "reduce vehicle miles traveled to mitigate traffic impacts"? Will we lose our right to travel?

19.a Continue to adopt the County Street design manual as the County's complete street design program/policy.

19.b Amend the County Code to incorporate complete street design.

What is the "County Street design manual"? I don't see this information in the General Plan.

19.d Identify all roles for interdepartmental collaboration in delivering a truly multimodal transportation system.

What do they mean exactly?

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20.e Adopt a Complete Streets ordinance.

What is a "Complete Streets ordinance"? Another regulation?

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22.7 Develop roadway standards to accommodate emerging technology for connected and automated vehicles.

This needs to be opposed because the Big Island has power issues and cannot handle all its current power needs. It does not have extra power to connect many electric vehicles, which will only add to its power issues.

Plus, if there is a big storm and we lose power, those electric cars cannot run, their batteries do not decompose, and the island needs a new way to take care of rubbish because there is only one landfill on the island. These cars will only add to the many issues the island already has.

"Hawaii Island is in the enviable position of having a landfill with anywhere from 20 to 100 years of capacity left to take in trash. But the island still wrestles with significant issues like plastic products that are no longer being recycled." <https://www.waste360.com/landfill/hawaii-deals-with-burgeoning-waste-management-problem>

"Hawaiian Electric is reporting that several large generators on the Big Island are experiencing a range of issues and may lead to the need for rolling outages if supply does not meet demand."

https://www.reddit.com/r/BigIsland/comments/1bnuar3/hawaiian_electric_is_reporting_that_several_large/?rdt=52660

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25.5 Encourage the clustering of developments to reduce the cost of providing utilities.

How will "clustering developments" reduce the cost of utilities? We all use the same power whether we live clustered up, like the county wants, or not.

The solution to help power the island is not "clustering" everyone. It is asking homeowners/resorts/vacation rentals to purchase solar panels, use wind turbines, or use other natural ways to create their own power. If everyone steps up, we can all make good chances together.

This petition offers other solutions <https://www.change.org/p/help-big->

island-resources-and-infrastructure-stay-safe-for-all-who-live-here-and-visit

25.6 Develop short- and long-range capital improvements programs and plans for public utilities within its jurisdiction that are consistent with the General Plan.

What are " short- and long-range capital improvement programs"?

25.7 Maintain an Asset Management Program aimed at utilizing maintenance plans to prolong the life of our utilities as well as reduce whole-life costs.

What is their "Asset Management Program"?

25.a Develop and adopt an Impact Fees Ordinance to aide in the expansion of public utilities.

What is an "Impact Fees Ordinance"? More regulations?

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26.5 Ensure the highest quality of water is reserved for the most valuable end-use.

What do they consider "the most valuable end-use" for water?

The Rosewood Resort waters it's white coral road to keep the dust down. They use hundreds, if not thousands, of gallons to water their road, even when there are signs to conserve water.

Has the county looked at the resort's wasteful water use? Are the resort's water use more "valuable" than residence use?

Shouldn't the county have some "ordinance" against wasteful water in the resorts because we are on an island? Why isn't this in their General Plan?

26.6 Encourage the design of large development projects (200+ units) in the North Kohala, South Kohala, North Kona, South Kona, and Ka'ū Districts to be as water neutral as reasonably possible through water conservation, recharge, and reuse measures to reduce the water footprint.

How can 200+ units be water-neutral?

Why is the county encouraging big developments when the island has resource issues with developments that are already here? Are they NOT paying attention to island resources?

26.7 Promote best practices in sustainable water collection and use for private water systems.

What does this mean, “for private water systems”? Are they planning private water systems used only by private communities or resorts?

Why hasn't the county considered new inventions to help the island's water issues?

For example, inventions that capture grey water to use in toilets <https://ecofriend.com/innovative-products-designed-capture-reuse-gray-water.html>. I'm sure many new inventions could help the island if they only start looking for them.

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26.e Maintain the water master plan to consider water yield, present and future demand, alternative sources of water, guidelines, and policies for the issuing of water commitments.

What is their “water master plan”?

26.n Develop water conservation and stormwater management guidelines for commercial, industrial, and residential properties.

What would “management guidelines” be? Would resorts be prioritized over residences?

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27.6 Pollution shall be prevented, abated, and controlled at levels that will protect and preserve public health and well-being through the enforcement of appropriate Federal, State, and County standards

What pollution? What are the Federal, State, and County standards, and how would they enforce them?

Developments pollute nearby water; will new developments be subjected to this? Because developments shouldn't pollute nearby water and it's scientifically proven that they do. <https://bigislandsupport.com/kbayinfo/>

This would be Kamehameha Schools Bungalow Resort Development, and if it goes through, it will pollute Keauhou Bay. Will the county enforce pollution standards on them? They should.

27.7 Ensure municipal wastewater systems serve designated Urban Growth Areas (UGA) with the capacity to accommodate projected population growth.

27.9 Prioritize developing a multipronged approach to wastewater infrastructure funding, including proactively seeking grant funding for wastewater system

expansion, improvements, and new development

27.11 Ensure that wastewater systems and improvements are designed and functioning to maximize system efficiencies, prevent accidental leaks or spills, and provide sanitary, reliable wastewater treatment that is not negatively impacting natural resources.

They don't mention the pollution that cesspools are causing daily. People can use many kinds of toilets to stop using cesspools today if only the county would approve this.

Why hasn't the county considered new inventive toilets to help the wastewater system? And some of these toilets can also save on water.

Like the Cinderella Incinerator Toilet to help stop pollution from cesspools and help with the wastewater system? <https://cinderellaeco.com/en-us>

There are many new inventive toilets these days that can help the island's wastewater system, and the Cinderella Incinerator Toilet can also help conserve water.

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27.15 Prioritize the use of gray water in areas connected to County water and not connected to County wastewater.

Why doesn't the county start looking for new inventions to help the island instead of traditional sources when the island's population is steadily growing and needs new ideas to help? They could start considering using inventions like these:

<https://ecofriend.com/innovative-products-designed-capture-reuse-gray-water.html>

<https://newsroom.ucla.edu/stories/gray-water-clean-up-yoram-cohen-271642>

<https://www.greenprophet.com/2015/04/10-inventions-to-save-earths-water/>

27.a Prioritize areas where on-site wastewater treatment should be converted to sewer and establish financial tools such as improvement districts to aid in implementation.

27.b Prioritize areas where wastewater treatment facilities are necessary to facilitate

future growth and utilize financing tools such as community facilities district (CFD) or tax increment financing (TIF) to aid in implementation.

What would be their priority? Resorts over Residence?

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'Acute Problems' Plaguing Big Island's Wastewater Treatment Systems Prompt EPA Crackdown <https://www.civilbeat.org/2024/04/acute-problems-plaguing-big-islands-wastewater-treatment-systems-prompt-epa-crackdown/>

Why doesn't the county start considering the Cinderella Incinerator toilet or other inventions to help with the wastewater treatment issues, especially when this has been a serious issue for years? <https://cinderellaeco.com/en-us>

27.i Streamline the sewer connection loan program.

What is this loan program? Is the island going into more debt because of it?

27.j Develop wastewater cost valuation in service fees (similar to the water model fee structure).

27.k Develop a criteria-based infrastructure prioritization tool to develop new or expand existing municipal wastewater systems. Base these priority areas on designated urban growth boundaries, urban zoning and density, population trends and anticipated growth, health/safety, and environmental factors

27.l Implement innovative wastewater systems at a cost-effective scale for small communities.

If the county starts considering new inventions and types of waste treatment toilets, like the Cinderella Incinerator Toilet, wastewater treatment costs would be considerably lowered. Why don't they do this?

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27.p In collaboration with the Department of Agriculture, develop a water resource strategy for efficient agricultural water use and reuse.

Why doesn't the county start to consider using grey water inventions? <https://www.environmental-expert.com/articles/the-power-of-greywater-recycling-a-sustainable-solution-for-the-future-1138822>

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28.11 The County shall ensure that golf course developments develop and implement grading and site preparation plans to:

Why is the county still considering more golf courses when the island has water, power, and landfill issues...?

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28.b Conduct a feasibility study to create a County Stormwater Utility before the County reaches MS4 requirements.

28.c Update the DPW Storm Drainage Standards to reflect current data and to incorporate strategies and standards of green infrastructure and low-impact development.

28.d Develop drainage master plans from a watershed perspective that considers non-structural alternatives, minimizes channelization, protects wetlands that serve drainage functions, coordinates the regulation of construction and agricultural operation, and encourages the establishment of floodplains as public greenways.

Why doesn't the county start looking at new, innovative drainage solutions for the island? <https://www.randrmagonline.com/articles/90645-innovative-solutions-for-effective-storm-water-management-in-urban-environments>

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31.a Create an asset management program.

31.c Develop and adopt an Impact Fees Ordinance to aide in the expansion of County services and facilities.

What would be an "asset management program"?

What is an "Impact Fees Ordinance"? Another regulation?

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33.2 Implement waste stream technology, such as recycling and upcycling and waste-to-energy to reduce the flow of refuse deposited in landfills.

Why doesn't the county start looking at how countries who have a high population are dealing with their rubbish, to get other ideas that could help the island?

33.9 Ensure that redesign plans for landfill and transfer stations provide adequate space for Resource Recovery (RR) Stations.

How would they do this?

33.11 Site new solid waste/resource recovery facilities in appropriate areas that serve the needs of population centers and minimize and mitigate negative impacts on the environment or surrounding neighborhood.

33.12 Reduce illegal dumping and littering.

33.13 Minimize the amount of waste generated by County facilities.

33.a Evaluate and amend the County Code to integrate strategies to maximize landfill diversion and handle materials:

Where is the information for all of the above? How would they do these things?

Has the county ever looked into new innovative ways to deal with rubbish:

"Benefits of waste-to-energy

Waste-to-energy technology offers an alternative to landfills, providing a cleaner, more efficient way of disposing of waste while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

" <https://biotrux.com/what-can-we-use-instead-of-landfills/>

Different Alternative to landfill <https://bettermeetsreality.com/the-different-alternatives-to-landfill-waste-management-options/>

Top 29 countries that have been efficient in minimizing

waste <https://www.openaccessgovernment.org/which-countries-are-the-most-efficient-at-minimising-waste/96037/#:~:text=Switzerland%20have%20100%25%20waste%20recovery%2C%20despite%20being%20in,while%20the%20other%2047%25%20is%20incinerated%20for%20energy>

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35.f Update the County of Hawai'i Recreation Plan to reflect newly identified

recreational priorities.

The county has sent out letters changing private Land Use Titles to recreational land. Does this mean they will be looking for more lands to change their Land Use Titles into recreational lands, thereby taking their property away by not allowing them to pass it down to family or sell it?

Why is it legal for the county to take private lands away from people to give their lands to recreation?

I heard these people would still have to pay the property tax on their land, which the county wants to turn into recreational land, is this going to happen?

From this site <https://www.findlaw.com/realestate/land-use-laws.html>

"Eminent Domain

Eminent domain is the right of a government entity to take private property for public use with payment of compensation for the land.

Different government bodies have different criteria. But generally, the government must be able to prove a compelling reason for its planned use..."

In the General Plan it states the county will be able to make changes for "environmental reasons" and anyone can make up "environmental reasons" to do things.

How will this be legal for them to change Private Land Use Titles ALL OVER BIG ISLAND?

35.i Develop best management practices for the development and maintenance of golf courses in collaboration with government, private and nonprofit agencies, and other stakeholders.

Golf courses use a lot of poisons to keep their lands weed-free, and these poisons runoff into the ocean, causing algae blooms and other pollutions. Will the county be addressing this?

35.r Develop and implement a cemeteries master plan for the siting of future cemeteries.

What is their "cemetery master plan"?

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36.b Develop a medical center TOD master plan and rezone it as a Regional Center TOD.

What is the "TOD master plan" and how will they "rezone" it?

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37.3 Prioritize new housing including the missing middle in or near mixed-use developments, urban growth areas with infrastructure, and near existing and proposed transit centers.

37.6 Vacant lands in the urban growth boundary (UGB) should be prioritized for residential and supportive uses before additional agricultural lands outside the UGB are converted into urban uses

37.c Assess and amend the land use and building regulations and explore fiscal opportunities to support universal design principles and ADA accessibility for more physically accessible housing.

They talk about more and more developing and yet, have they sincerely looked at Big Island resource issues today?

Have they sincerely looked at all the development that has already been approved for years to come and incorporated into the island's resources, because the island is having serious resource issues right now.

How will all this future development that's in their General Plan affect the island's resources? Where is this researched information?

The island's resources need to be addressed because many years in the making, developments have been approved to build more homes, and all of the island's resources are having serious issues today.

Before prioritizing even more developments such as resorts, golf courses... that is in their General Plan for future development, and before the years' worth of homes that have already been approved have been developed, the island's resources need to be addressed so that everyone will have power, water, a place to put their rubbish, the traffic needs to be addressed, wastewater needs address...

Where is all the research to increase the island's resources for all these new developments that are in the General Plan?

Please read this petition that explains Big Island resources:

<https://www.change.org/p/help-big-island-resources-and-infrastructure-stay-safe-for-all-who-live-here-and-visit>

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38.1 Enable data-driven research to support and maintain a housing inventory program that monitors existing housing.

What are they going to monitor, and why? Are they taking our privacy away?

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39.8 Encourage the development of workforce housing within or near urban growth areas and employment centers and require large new developments that create a demand for housing to provide affordable workforce housing.

Resorts on the island hire and bring in people from outside of the country. Then they house them. This takes away homes and jobs from locals. Why doesn't the county prioritize these jobs and homes for locals? Why don't the resorts on the island hire locals who are already here and need jobs and homes?

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42.c Develop and adopt an impact fees ordinance that considers district specific needs and excludes urban core areas where infill is encouraged.

What exactly does this mean? What are "impact fees ordinance" and "infill is encouraged" mean?

42.d Develop a framework for a transition plan for changes in administrative leadership to ensure a smooth transition and continuity of operations.

Why does the county need a "transition plan for changes in administrative leadership"? What does this have to do with the GP. Shouldn't they already have a plan?

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44.f Partner with business associations, realtors, and the chamber of commerce to recruit small-scale manufacturers to establish retail locations in village and town centers to support reinvestment and match potential tenants with local landowners.

The shops in Kailua Kona town have trouble staying open because all the private parking lots are overcharging for parking. Why isn't the county addressing this issue instead of wanting to bring in more businesses that won't be able to survive because private parking is taking a lot of money away from businesses?

The county NEEDS to answer ALL of these questions because they are NOT clear in what they are saying they want to do in their 2045 GP, and this plan CAN NOT go any further UNLESS WE ALL FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THEIR PLAN IS!

The county NEEDS to TAKE OUT ALL MENTION OF THE TDR Program because it violates our rights to live how and where we want.

The county NEEDS TO TAKE OUT ALL MENTION OF "Broadband/Smart Grid" and start solving traffic issues, water, power, landfill issues, and because this will cost billions, and add a lot more problems to the Big Island.

I do not understand how to use their map that shows all the changes they want to make on the island and all the Land Use Titles they have changed to private lands. Can you figure out their map and see all their changes?

I have heard the voices of people in person at the meetings who have received letters that are changing their Land Use Titles. This is not right because land changed to recreation will make it so the owner cannot pass their land on, or sell it.

Please look at their map because there are high-end developers' Land that the county has changed their Land Titles so they can develop their lands easily, without having to do Environmental Impact Studies, and this is not safe for the island, or the community.

Zendo Kern has helped high-end developers many times on the island. This planning director favors developers rather than the preservation of the land and community voices.

For example, 18,554 people signed a petition to Save Punalu'u from development. Hundreds of Hawaiian residents protested the housing project in Punalu'u, and still, "Planning Director Zendo Kern has recommended that the commission greenlight the development, writing in his 17-page report to the panel that the project will not have any substantial adverse environmental or ecological effect" provided that best management practices are used to mitigate any impacts.

Kern recommended moving ahead without making the developers prepare an updated environmental impact statement or environmental assessment because the project did not meet the criteria set out in state law for such a requirement."

This man is not for conserving the land, nor does he support community voices.

Please look at the map he is a part of because this man favors high-end developers. If this map changes high-end developers' Land Use Titles to help them develop their land easily, it could be one huge way that he supports these developers, and this is not right for the island and the community.

<https://www.civilbeat.org/2024/03/hundreds-of-hawaii-island-residents-protest-proposed-housing-project-in-punaluu/>

<https://www.thepetitionsite.com/854/086/898/residents-who-oppose-the-resort-in-punaluu-ka%C5%AB/>

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From: [Terri Yoshinaga](#)
To: [WPCtestimony](#); [LPCtestimony](#)
Subject: Opposing the General Plan
Date: Wednesday, January 29, 2025 12:25:25 PM

Concerns Include:

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- ~ AND MORE!

Rebecca's testimony <https://bigislandsupport.com/2045-gp-testimonial/>

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From: schausjulie@gmail.com
To: [Council Testimony](#); [WPCtestimony](#); [LPCtestimony](#)
Subject: General plan 2045
Date: Thursday, January 30, 2025 6:55:13 AM

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Sent from my iPad

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Subject: Re: Official Request for and extended presentation
Date: Saturday, February 1, 2025 11:40:46 PM

Dear WPCtestimony,

Thank you for clarifying the limitations of public testimony. How can Michelle Melendez be given the necessary time to present very important and pertinent information about this general plan? The venue needs to be viewable such as on Zoom, and recorded and available for the public to see and hear. What is the purpose of taking public testimony if not to provide the commissioners and the public with other pertinent information that is not already included in the proposal? The general plan is easily downloadable for the public to read, there should also be on this website all of the supporting and opposing views available for the public to see, hear and read what their fellow Hawaiians' are thinking about this proposed plan. Please let me know how to make these requests happen. Openness in government is so important today, we are participating at the most basic and local political level and we have the power to bring trust back into government decision making, let's do it show us how!

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On Thu, Jan 30, 2025 at 3:58 PM WPCtestimony <wpctestimony@hawaiiicounty.gov> wrote:

Aloha Ken Honma,

Thank you for reaching out and for sharing your concerns regarding the Hawai'i County General Plan 2045. We appreciate your engagement and your commitment to ensuring the public and the Planning Commissioners have access to comprehensive information on this important matter.

In order to maintain fairness and provide equal opportunities for all public testifiers, we must adhere to the standard time limits established for testimony. While we understand that some topics may require more time to discuss in depth, our process is designed to allow for equitable participation from all members of the community.

The Planning Commission may, at its discretion, request additional information from staff or other entities as needed to support its decision-making process. However, public testimony is subject to the same time constraints to ensure that all voices are heard within the allotted time.

We encourage Michelle Melendez, as well as any other interested individuals, to submit written testimony if additional details need to be shared beyond the time available for verbal testimony. Written testimony is given full consideration by the Commissioners and provides an opportunity to elaborate on key points in greater detail.

Thank you again for your advocacy and engagement. Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can assist you further.

Mahalo,

WPCtestimony

From: Ken Honma <kenh.7553@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 9:16 AM

To: Council Testimony <counciltestimony@hawaiicounty.gov>; Kimball, Heather <Heather.Kimball@hawaiicounty.gov>; Kagiwada, Jennifer <Jennifer.Kagiwada@hawaiicounty.gov>; Onishi, Dennis <Dennis.Onishi@hawaiicounty.gov>; Kierkiewicz, Ashley <Ashley.Kierkiewicz@hawaiicounty.gov>; Kanealii-Kleinfelder, Matt <Matt.Kanealii-Kleinfelder@hawaiicounty.gov>; Villegas, Rebecca <Rebecca.Villegas@hawaiicounty.gov>; Galimba, Michelle M. <Michelle.Galimba@hawaiicounty.gov>; Inaba, Holeka <Holeka.Inaba@hawaiicounty.gov>; Hustace, James <James.Hustace@hawaiicounty.gov>; Planning Internet Mail <planning@hawaiicounty.gov>; WPCtestimony <wpctestimony@hawaiicounty.gov>; LPCtestimony <lpctestimony@hawaiicounty.gov>

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Subject: Biz Professional Opposes GP 2045 (he wishes to remain anonymous)
Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 12:53:04 PM
Attachments: [Oppositioin Possiton to GP 2045.pdf](#)

Aloha Planning Commissioners, County Council and Mayor,

I received the attached pdf from a prominent business owner here on Big Island who wishes to remain anonymous.

He told me to do what I'd like with his comments so I'm sending them to all of you.

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From: [Donna Z Grabow](#)
To: [LPCtestimony](#)
Subject: Aloha, General Plan 2045
Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 8:03:48 PM

My name is Donna Grabow and there are many reasons to reject the entire General Plan 2045.

There are so many homes that are already so many vacant, foreclosed homes because of high interest loans.

Yet The Plan promotes relocating people into new cluster housing The Plan has a list of vague rules for smart transportation in smart communities.

There is part of the Plan that mentions agricultural growth, but the details of sustainability are not feasible. Farming Expansion needs land, workers and machinery, all of which are limited. Dependence on imported food will still persist.

If the mistake is made to implement parts of the Plan, then communities of islands can be turned into controlled, dystopian housing projects.

A sterile technocratic culture would replace the friendly Polynesian culture that is so treasured.

In the General Plan, it's been discovered that a new map was either tampered with, or mistakenly mislabeled an area that is actually Urban land.

The new map has somehow been redesignated as 'Conservation land.'

This slight of hand would give the State a green light to prohibit homes, farming or building.

On the last note - Keep Hawaii the way it is. There are already plenty of Forest Reserves, Hawaiian Public Lands, and lots of well-planned parks, beautiful beaches, waterfalls, a free zoo and botanicial gardens, all which are available to the public. This is a wonderful place to live. I'm so lucky to live on Moku o Keawe.

The General Plan is not the ONLY choice.

There are much better ideas and clean technology to be considered.

Sincerely,

**Donna Grabow
Hilo**

From: [Michelle Melendez](#)
To: [WPCtestimony](#); [LPCtestimony](#)
Cc: [Council Testimony](#); [Kimball, Heather](#); [Kagiwada, Jennifer](#); [Onishi, Dennis](#); [Kierkiewicz, Ashley](#); [Kanealii-Kleinfelder, Matt](#); [Villegas, Rebecca](#); [Galimba, Michelle M.](#); [Inaba, Holeka](#); [Hustace, James](#); cohmayor@hawaiicounty.gov
Subject: MAJOR Mistake In Hawaii GP (Must not recommend it go through)
Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 1:51:56 PM

Aloha Planning Commissioners,

I've been attending the GP meetings for over 6 months. NOT one person has shown-up saying they helped create this plan for Hawaii and are in full support of it.

The contrary is true.

99.9% of the people are opposing it! They are either angry, crying or stoic, but they are requiring you to not recommend this plan go through.

The **3 people** in 6-months that have supported this plan have had one personal issue the plan would assist with. Not one person has come to support the plan in its entirety.

Your position is to **represent the people** and they people have been telling you for over 6-months to NOT recommend this plan!

Will you honor your seat or has fascism already taken over this government?

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From: [Adele Henkel](#)
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Subject: Do NOT recommend GP2045 go through
Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 11:31:49 AM

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Subject: DO NOT Recommend the Hawaii GP 2045!
Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 1:10:58 PM

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.

Here are some concerns:

- There is a huge part of the plan dedicated to "Climate Change". However, why do most experts state there is NO climate danger? [Climate Experts Speak Out Against Climate Danger Click Here!](#)
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[for this narrative is the investors, in renewable energy, want to make these changes.](#)

- Hilo does not have a Community Development Plan. How can a Big Island General Plan move forward without that? Hilo is 22% of the island.

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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

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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](#):

Part 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.

Respectfully,
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From: [julie schaus](#)
To: [Council Testimony](#); [WPCtestimony](#); [LPCtestimony](#)
Subject: General plan 2045-2
Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 8:49:35 AM

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Cc: [Stand Together Hawaii](#); [Debbie Guanzon](#); [Mark & Ruth Statler](#); [Marie Ruhland](#)
Subject: Vote No on Hawaii County General Plan 2045
Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 10:07:35 AM

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I fervently oppose any use of this plan for Hawaii County and demand that this commission vote **no** on behalf of the people of Hawaii County.

This plan looks like a take-over of the lands of Hawaii County by rezoning and limiting the development areas. It effectively limits where normal people live, where they can go, where they shop, where and what kinds of recreation they can have and do.

There is a reason that there is no projection of what build-out looks like, because it will look bad for what life will be for the normal human being in Hawaii County.

The wealthy who are planning this land reallocation do not want you to know:

How many people can this plan support per square mile?

How does this number compute as to the number of people per square mile in terms of the whole island?

How many of the people will own their own property?

What is the projected income of the average working class household?

How many people will be in this average household?

What are the economic drivers and their future projected growth?

What is the relationship between these economic drivers and the income of the average working class household?

This plan addresses none of these issues that relate to **quality of life**, so how can we possibly consider this as a plan that benefits “we the people”?

How can this commission possibly evaluate the impact that this plan will have on our communities without real **quality of life evaluations**. You must vote no on this imperial colonialist land reallocation and limitation plan.

Sincerely,

Ken Honma Kurtistown HI 96760

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Date: Thursday, February 6, 2025 8:26:39 AM

I am not supporting the WEF General plan.

The people require them to **NOT recommend the Hawaii General Plan 2045 go through** to the County Council.

Please stand up to this Horrible plan.

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Subject: Clarification on compensation
Date: Thursday, February 6, 2025 7:07:02 PM

Homeowners compensation was mentioned. But, we know when the state/county wants your land it isn't like selling your land at a profit, It is taking what they will give you. It was said that the home/land that now has been "rezoned" already had a conservation easement of the land but was used as state URBAN land. How can an easement for conservation take over all of your land? Having an easement from a neighbor does not give the neighbor the right to take your land. You can purchase the land but when we are ready to use your land we can take it? Still leaving the homeowner to not be able to use their home as a line of equity, take the price that is offered to move off their property without making the profit of what they have put into the home and the added value to the land. Having to pay taxes on the money given to you at a lesser dollar amount than your home is worth, while being displaced.

Most compensation in situations like this is not enough to recover what has been put into the property value or possibly not enough to cover the remaining balance of a mortgage but left to pay on the taxes of what was given for the compensation that is seen as income and compensation. Could leave some in debt due to the change of the property usages.

There needs to be a clause in the plan to prevent this from being able to happen to the owner of the property.

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Subject: Unclear General Plan 2045 from today meeting for tomorrow questions
Date: Thursday, February 6, 2025 1:58:07 PM

Today's meeting:

The plan was said that it doesn't need to be specific. Why? This leaves too many loopholes for any new changes to be governed under the plan. Wiggle room so to speak, to fall under a category to have the right to add in additional actions after the plan has been passed.

TDR= Transfer Development Rights,(shift) this is said to be voluntary. In other areas that it's said to be "voluntary" it usually means pushed out having to "voluntarily move" which in the real sense it isn't then voluntarily. Such as insurance will not insure you at this location, the rezone of the property (although I feel this is disguised in the language) you can not build here.

It was talked about that if you fall under the TDR, that the 1,000 sqft home you wanted to build now you can be directed to a piece of land to be able to build a 2,000 sqft home. We all know nothing is this simple, like the plan in itself is easily misconstrued to be agreeable if not asked the right questions. How much is it going to cost the landowner to transfer over to the designated land that the plan is suggestioning to be provided? Are they going to be limited at that time to use only the people who benefit from the plan to build the construction of the home? Will they own the land or will it be a leasehold as the HOA has been described? Too many nuances that leave people to be imprisoned by the Shift /TDR areas.

Transportation was touched on about electric vehicles and how we do not have the infrastructure for it. But, nothing mentioned about the blackouts we already are having on the Big Island.

The pull outs for the buses. The route looks as if it will be in front of peoples homes for the buses to pull in to let passengers off and on the bus. Carving into the personal property of an owner, will they be paid to take their property and make their land a smaller parcel than when they purchased it? Will the plan cover the change of the TMK that goes with the property as the property line has changed? Which if the property line is not remapped and it's sold, who's at fault for the non disclosure when this wasn't by choice of the homeowner?

Homeowners compensation was mentioned. But, we know when the state/county wants your land it isn't like selling your land at a profit, It is taking what they will give you. It was said that the home/land that now has been "rezoned" already had a conservation easement of the land but was used as state URBAN land. How can an easement for conservation take over all of your land? Having an easement from a neighbor does not give the neighbor the right to take your land. You can purchase the land but when we are ready to use your land we can take it? Still leaving the homeowner to not be able to use their home as a line of equity, take the price that is offered to move off their property without making the profit of what they have put into the home and the added value to the land. Having to pay taxes on the money given to you at a lesser dollar amount than your home is worth, while being displaced.

All of this should not be lumped into one plan. There are too many components that they want to "cluster in" a county plan. Making it too easy once a plan is passed to do the opposite

of what has been spoken in the meetings. Twisting the words of their meanings to fit the narrative of the plan.

We as a whole will be the ones paying the price if it is passed the way it is now, it is harder to undo than it is to revise before passing.

Please do not pass this plan on to all of us. Some sounds minor but history has proven plans like this can crumble a county. Especially with too many components in one plan.

Plan Divide

Transportation that includes what it looks like, not a vague picture using climate change.

Zoning, did the people who purchased the state urban land know that this could be a possibility with the conservation of the easement changing their home to not be state urban but to conservation? If this wasn't known this could lead up to county lawsuits. What constitutes the right of the rezoning of a property although said it isn't rezoning.

People will fight back after the fact ones affected by the plan. No one thinks it's a big deal beforehand until the aftermath starts.

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Subject: Windward commissioners
Date: Thursday, February 6, 2025 4:05:40 PM

plz take All the testimony as concerned citizens of MOKU O KEAWE

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Subject: STOP the proposed 2045 plan, STOP any thought of sending it through
Date: Thursday, February 6, 2025 9:13:36 PM

We The People require you to **STOP the Proposed Hawaii General Plan 2045, and it MUST NOT go through** to the County Council.

We The People of the Island of Hawai'i, the County of Hawaii, do NOT CONSENT to such plan!

To Hawaii County Government, Aloha --

There are numerous issues with the proposed general plan, and **testimony** is overwhelmingly opposed to its general concepts which are NOT set up to benefit farmers and homeowners.

Mahalo,
Kana Leohano

See below for additional information.

I have provided extensive written **testimony** and commented on the general plan online, along with many others that have emphasized this plan needs a complete overhaul to **meet the needs of the community**. This plan is based off a template handed down from the United Nations and their so-called Agenda 21.

This link provides an overview to allow county planning and legislative officials to understand this so-called Agenda 21 (or whatever name they are currently calling it -- agenda 2030, "you will own nothing and be happy", or whatever) and should be mandatory reading. <https://nwri.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/How-Public-Officials-can-Recognize-Agenda-21.pdf> PAGE ONE IS A SHORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY THAT DESCRIBES THE COMMUNIST AGENDA TO GET RID OF PRIVATE OWNERSHIP.

The **Hawaii County General Plan of 2005** contains the words "homeowner" (4 times) and "farmer" (14 times) while the proposed 2045 plan does not have the words "homeowner" and "farmer" anywhere! It therefore is obvious it is not written to help homeowners or farmers.
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

1. The entire thing needs to be re-done by people who love people -- not profit, that is by people who work from the SPIRIT of the State Constitution section 5-7.5 regarding ALOHA SPIRIT. To quote: "Aloha" means mutual regard and affection and extends warmth in caring with no obligation in return. The current draft involves people in power who are seeking to line their own pockets. Stop. **Seriously, dump the whole**

thing. IT IS OBVIOUSLY WRITTEN BY SOMEONE IN THE PAY OF Blackrock, Vanguard, Gates, Soros, or any number of other disgusting, money-printing entities. The core of the document is: "The County's desired land use development pattern." THIS IS NOT FOR THE COUNTY TO DECIDE !!!! As noted in #11 below: Our micro-climates are so vast and varied there is NO CHANCE that anyone at the County level would know what needs to go where. THAT CAN ONLY BE LEARNED BY LIVING ON, BY WALKING, THE LAND. Leave people to make their OWN DECISIONS about what to do with their own land.

2. The State, and the County, have NO RIGHT TO ACQUIRE LAND !! and any reference to such in this proposed document should be removed!!! And, the State has NO RIGHT to any County property, and none should be handed over without agreement of ancestral owners and local residents, and NO HARBOR SHOULD BE HANDED TO THE STATE. Remove any reference to "Hawai'i State Wildlife Action Plan" as it has NO RELEVANCE for our island and the State should NOT BE MANAGING our island.
3. There is no such thing as "climate change" caused by humans, and anything referring to such should be entirely removed. <https://clintel.org/world-climate-declaration/> Remove ANY reference to "carbon footprint", "net zero", "greenhouse gas", "green infrastructure" and / or "climate adaptation". Remove ANY reference to "decarbonizing."
4. Remove the section 2.2 Biocultural Stewardship Goal (1.13) because Maui has shown the pain, suffering and financial loss such government over-reach leads to.
5. Remove the section 17.4, Page 111, because a person applying for land use clearance should not involve the government attempting to grab their land.
6. Remove the word "stakeholder" from everywhere it appears, and instead use the words "homeowner" or "farmer".
7. Leave the zoning alone. Leave it alone.
8. Remove ANY reference to "digital literacy" and its related "5G"-type insanity. BETTER TO PUT SOMETHING ABOUT "FARMING LITERACY" OR "FISHING LITERACY" OR "HUNTING LITERACY". Remove ANY reference to prioritizing digital above actual. There is nothing in this proposed document about PRIORITIZING FARMING, FISHPOND CARE AND MAINTENANCE, and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and THERE SHOULD BE !!!!
9. Remove the words "equity" and "equitable" from everywhere they appear. We need EQUALITY of opportunity, NOT equity of results !!!! People need to work for what they get, and people who have worked and succeeded need to keep the fruits of their labors. THERE WILL NEVER BE EQUITY, LEGISLATED OR

NOT!!!! "Safe and affordable utilities" are NOT a right! People need to work for what they get!

10. Remove the word "sustainability" from everywhere it appears. This is NOT something that can be regulated into existence!!! It is a loosey-goosey term that has NO SCIENTIFIC PARAMETERS, NO EFFECTIVE DEFINITION for anything to do with lawmaking !!
11. Remove ANY proposed regulation that would increase restriction or result in ANY fee to a farmer. We need food !!
12. Remove ANY proposed requirement for a permit. We have too many of these already.
13. Remove ANY reference to "incinerator" -- "waste-to-energy" or ANY other use. NO resident wants such, and we have stated such in the past UNEQUIVOCALLY.
14. Remove ANY proposed map of land use. Our micro-climates are so vast and varied there is NO CHANCE that anyone making a map would know what needs to go where. THAT CAN ONLY BE LEARNED BY LIVING ON, BY WALKING, THE LAND. Leave people to make their OWN DECISIONS about what to do with their own land. Remove the word "conform" any time it has ANYTHING to do with private land use.
15. REMOVE 32c and 32p and 20e because all have to do with the heinous, despicable, insane, terrible, egregious concept of "smart" cities. In fact, remove EVERYTHING that has ANYTHING to do with the "SMART" acronym and / or idea.
16. Remove ANY reference to digital currencies.
17. Remove ANY reference to clusters of population, or "site clustering of development". This island is NOT THE PLACE for such ideas. We are farmers. REMOVE section 4.5.1. Remove ANY reference to population density or "clusters". This island is NOT THE PLACE for such ideas. ALSO, IT IS INSANE TO PRIORITIZE WALKING AND BICYCLING OVER CARS ON THIS ISLAND. No farmer is going to walk or bicycle to get his / her produce to market !!!!
18. Remove ANY use of the word "resilience." This is a psychological term that has NO PLACE in a government document.
19. Close down the County Office of Sustainability, Climate, Equity, and Resilience (OSCE) as NOBODY VOTED FOR THIS OFFICE TO BE STARTED. Remove ANY reference to such office from the proposed general plan.
20. Remove ANY reference to "incentive" in regard to taxes on people's land, such as to "incentivize" them to build "affordable" housing. This is a COMPLETELY WRONG way to get "affordable" housing built. MUCH MORE IMPORTANT

would be to "incentivize" clean industries to move to our island, where people would be able to get employment to AFFORD good housing. In fact, THERE IS NOTHING IN THE DOCUMENT TO SUPPORT ECONOMIC GROWTH !!!
WHY NOT?

21. Remove ANY concept that would involve "inspection" or "surveillance" or "inventory" of land.
22. Housing developers should not be released from requirements to build infrastructure and should have to post a bond, so we stop having them "get away with" never completing promised roads, etc.
23. Prohibit 5G, or 6G, or whatever they come up with that is similar.
24. All current use of septic or cesspool should be grandfathered-in, with only changes made at a market-rate sale of a property. There are VERY FEW areas where household waste water affects the ocean or inland water. Take care of those few places, leave everything else alone. And this has NOTHING to do with centralized wastewater -- not on our lava-rock island!!! In fact, there should be an AUDIT of CURRENT centralized wastewater facilities, as there are problems with some of them!!!
25. Get Pohakuloa Military Base to stop polluting. NO "TREATED" WASTEWATER for any food or farming use.
26. Pohakuloa Military Base gets its land for a dollar a year and shoots weapons directly above our island's largest aquifer. Get them to stop!
27. Remove ANY reference to incentivizing or regulating water use. THIS IS NOT THE PLACE FOR SUCH. We have water-use people already taking care of this. "Water commitments" are something the DWS should take care of -- or individual bills introduced to remedy any problem.
28. Remove the phrase "circular systems". This is a concept only vaguely defined and certainly without any solid demonstration of its use.
29. Remove the phrase "Vision Zero" as it has NO RELEVANCE for our island.
30. Remove the phrase "One Water" as it refers to a North America group and has NO RELEVANCE for our island.

WHAT ALREADY HAS BEEN SAID, AND I REPEAT:

General Plan 2045 references 'economic growth' but does not discuss in any way the drivers of the economy. It SHOULD be a study and plan, on how best to support:

Farmers

Producers of Goods

Providers of Services

.....so we can build a great economy together.

Rather, it seeks to: restrict, impose fees, place taxes ... pays attention to airport terminals and harbors, transportation and urban development -- nothing that is alive and producing value for our economy, but tools that are needed by people who ARE alive and producing, so should not be used as a way to rake in money for civil servant salaries.

Supposedly a plan about development, it barely mentions the Farmers, Producers of Goods, Providers of Services, barely mentions:

Agriculture

Commerce

Industries

Jobs

Economic Activities

It wants to make everyone walk, ride a bike or take a bus. Nuts.

Dump the whole thing.

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Subject: No confidence in GP2045
Date: Thursday, February 6, 2025 6:22:17 PM

2/6/2025

Dear Planning Commission members,

Watching part of the dialog between the Windward Planning Commission Chairman and the department staff today showed me that even the planning commissioners have no clear

understanding of what this general plan is actually about. We the people have almost unanimously said the same thing; "What exactly is the goal of this general plan?"

The staff mentioned other clarifying information that would be forthcoming that would help clarify some issues:

Why is pertinent information not already included in the proposed plan?

The climate change dogma that is underpinning this document (and that has been shown to be scientifically faulty) is still being used as justification by the staff by invoking past

State and County legislative action as a justification. Rather than the staff admitting that the past actions may not comport with the present scientific information,

staff used the obsolete legislation to be able to defer and deflect the Chairs' attempt at modernizing and updating the scientific basis of the document.

This exchange shows why we the people do not trust our County government and its staff to act in our best interest - the interest of we the inhabitants of the land.

The attitude of the staff representative left me with the impression that the people are being railroaded into accepting the ideological basis for this document even to disregard new scientific knowledge on the climate.

The Planning Commissioners must vote **no confidence** in this plan with the justification that the scientific basis is flawed and does not include new and important information.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Against The General Plan
Date: Thursday, February 6, 2025 5:29:46 PM

Aloha,

To whom it may concern, I am writing because I am not in favor of the General plan to go through. There are way too many restrictions regarding land and land building on personal property for county or park buildings and home ownership grey areas that this is not constitutional and does not sit well with the people here in Hawaii!

Please put in my testimony as not for this plan.

Mahalo,
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Subject: GP Opposition
Date: Friday, February 7, 2025 9:03:11 AM

URGENT

Opposition Position to the General Plan 2045

While the General Plan 2045 sets ambitious goals for sustainability, economic growth, and infrastructure development, there are critical flaws in its approach that could hinder its success. The plan lacks feasibility, overestimates resource availability, and places undue burdens on taxpayers and rural communities.

1. Unrealistic Transportation Goals

The plan prioritizes multi-modal transit and emerging technologies while neglecting practical infrastructure needs:

- **Mass Transit Limitations:** Expanding public transportation is idealistic, but given the low population density, mass transit will remain underutilized and costly.
- **Neglect of Rural Needs:** Vision Zero and Complete Streets focus on urban centers, but rural roads remain deteriorating without sufficient funding.
- **Autonomous Vehicles & Smart Roads:** Investing in future technology is premature when basic road maintenance remains underfunded.

2. Housing Policies Worsen Affordability

The plan's zoning changes and affordable housing policies may exacerbate the housing crisis rather than solve it:

- **Urban Growth Boundaries Increase Prices:** Restricting land use in rural areas artificially inflates property values, making housing even less affordable.
- **Overcrowding Solutions Overlook Economic Realities:** Policies ignore that overcrowding results from low wages and high living costs, not just housing shortages.
- **Regulatory Burdens on Developers:** Strict zoning and sustainability mandates deter private investment, reducing housing supply and increasing costs.

3. Infrastructure and Utility Investments Are Unfunded and Impractical

The plan assumes major infrastructure expansions without realistic funding mechanisms:

- **Green Infrastructure & Energy Transition:** Renewable energy projects are costly, and residents will bear the financial burden of transitioning away from fossil fuels.
- **Broadband Expansion:** While beneficial, the cost of rural broadband investment is unsustainable without private sector buy-in.
- **Water Conservation Mandates:** Restrictions and green infrastructure initiatives may increase costs for consumers without clear efficiency benefits.

4. Economic Development Overlooks Local Challenges

The plan assumes economic diversification will reduce reliance on tourism but fails to address key barriers:

- **Workforce Shortages in Tech & Healthcare:** While the plan emphasizes education and

business services, Hawai'i struggles to retain talent due to the high cost of living.

- **Tourism Mismanagement:** Reducing tourism's footprint is economically dangerous, as it remains Hawai'i's largest industry. Balancing conservation and tourism is unrealistic without clear incentives.

- **Agricultural Growth Is Not Feasible at Scale:** Farming expansion requires land, water, and workforce, all of which are limited. Dependence on imports will persist.

5. Climate Resilience Efforts Are Costly and Overreaching

Climate change policies in the plan impose expensive regulations without clear economic benefits:

- **Sea Level Rise Restrictions Hurt Property Owners:** Over-regulating coastal development diminishes property rights and land values.

- **Renewable Energy Transition Increases Costs:** Shifting rapidly to renewables raises electricity prices and risks reliability issues.

- **Disaster Preparedness Funding Is Unclear:** Climate adaptation measures require significant public spending without clearly defined funding sources.

Conclusion: A More Balanced Approach Needed

The General Plan 2045 prioritizes idealistic goals over practical solutions. A more balanced approach should:

1. Focus on essential infrastructure first, ensuring roads, utilities, and housing affordability before investing in speculative technology.

2. Encourage private-sector solutions rather than increasing government intervention in housing and economic development.

3. Make climate policies cost-effective, ensuring that taxpayers are not burdened by aggressive renewable energy mandates.

While the plan's vision is commendable, its execution threatens affordability, economic stability, and individual property rights. A more pragmatic approach is necessary to ensure growth without overregulation and excessive public spending

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Subject: re: GP Testimony (Why are you not representing the people?)
Date: Friday, February 7, 2025 8:41:14 AM

Aloha,

My testimony yesterday said that you are required, not requested, required to not move this plan forward. Otherwise, the whole public testimony is a farce and you've wasted our time!

You've heard for over 6-months people crying and angry telling you reasons, giving you page numbers of why this plan should not go through!

Yesterday, I had hoped that the Westward Commission would vote to not recommend this plan as you are required to do. You are sitting in a volunteering seat that is meant to represent the people and the people have told you for over 6-months NOT to put this plan through!

Instead all you've done is changed wording. That will not fix the many issues wrong with this plan and the effects it will have on Big Island communities. That is putting a bandaid on a breaking dam!

This plan with its zero emissions, electric vehicle mandates, clustered housing, stakeholders meaning anyone in the entire world has a voice in this plan, making Big Island mostly Conservation land (the "mistake" of changing an Urban land use to Conservation should STOP this plan immediately), and so forth is a fascist plan that will destroy this island and you've been told that for over 6-months!

When will you do your kuleana and honor your seat as a representative of the people?

The message you are sending is that people have no voice and what we say doesn't matter because Big Government will steamroll us and there is no one who will stand up for the people!

Regards,

Michelle Melendez-Freedom Activist

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Subject: Please OPPOSE 2045 General Plan
Date: Saturday, February 8, 2025 7:04:11 PM

As an off-and-on resident of the Big Island for over thirty years, I have witnessed the gradual erosion of our rights due to the actions of the Hawai'i County Planning Department. The department's proposed 2045 General Plan is beyond comprehension for the average citizen, with complexities that beg for transparency and accountability.

Tragically, this plan includes Land Title Changes, which are deeply concerning. When someone in the Hawai'i County Planning meeting opposed a land use title change, the director dismissed it as an "oversight." This raises serious questions about the number of oversights in their final draft. Changing land use titles strips us of our rights to private property and introduces vague, yet potentially harmful, rezoning measures.

Furthermore, the plan includes ambitions to create a broadband and smart grid, a lofty goal for an island lacking the necessary resources. This raises significant questions about the feasibility and environmental implications of such projects.

It's crucial to ensure that these changes DO NOT proceed. We must continue to push for transparency and accountability in these decisions to protect our land, Island, and future

What's more distressing is that the Hawai'i County Planning Department seems to always focus on high-end development initiatives that overtax our resources and infrastructure instead of considering the voices of our community. A clear example was when 18,569 voices opposed development in a petition. Yet, Zendo Kern, the Hawai'i Planning Director at the time, ignored these voices and stated the resort would not hurt the land even with articles like these two:

<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/feature-story/cautionary-tale-2019-coral-bleaching-event-hawaii#:~:text=Coral%20Bleaching%20is%20Occurring%20more,had%20catastrophic%20impacts%20state%2Dwide>

<https://coral.org/en/where-we-work/hawaiian-islands/#:~:text=Hawaii%CA%BBi's%20reefs%20face%20major%20global,into%20Hawaii%CA%BBi's%20waterways%20every%20day>

This is the petition he ignored: <https://www.thepetitionsite.com/854/086/898/residents-who-oppose-the-resort-in-punaluu-ka%C5%AB/>

This is the article showing Kern's opposition over local voices: <https://www.civilbeat.org/2024/03/hundreds-of-hawaii-island-residents-protest-proposed-housing-project-in-punaluu/>

Additionally, we urge Mayor Kimo Alameda to reappoint a new Hawai'i County Planning Director. Jeff Darrow's 26 years with the Hawai'i Planning Department, supporting Zendo Kern, have demonstrated a lack of commitment to the land and local voices. These voices have consistently opposed high-end developments, advocating instead for the conservation of the land for endangered species and the island's future. Jeff Darrow's support against local voices in the past years shows he is not the right fit for the job, and we demand that accountability be served.

We need a Planning Director who prioritizes island resources and infrastructure over high-end developments, favors land conservation, and listens to and supports local voices. We need someone who will work to ensure the Big Island retains its unique character and doesn't turn into another Oahu.

I stand, and OPPOSE Hawai'i County Planning General Plan for the reasons stated:

In the General Plan

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9.4 Support mechanisms, such as PUD and Cluster Plan Development (CPD), that group parcel density to preserve open space, recreational areas, or scenic viewsheds.

The General Plan DOES NOT explain what a PUD means.

Taken from this site: <https://www.forbes.com/advisor/mortgages/what-is-a-planned-unit-development/>

"A planned unit development, or PUD, is a community of single-family homes, and sometimes condos or townhomes, where every homeowner belongs to a homeowners association (HOA)."

Taken from this site: https://www.zillow.com/learn/what_is_pud/

"To most home shoppers, a planned unit development (PUD) may look like a single-family home. But the legal structure for a PUD is more similar to that of a condo and can impact the mortgage process."

"Again, you'll need to read all these documents to determine whether that specific PUD is right for you. And remember, all PUDs are different, so each one will have its own set of rules and restrictions."

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9.f Study the feasibility, issues, and opportunities related to the development of a TDR program to strategically preserve open space and achieve density to remain consistent with the land use pattern in accordance with the General Plan Land Use Maps.

It's deeply frustrating that the Hawai'i County Planning Department isn't transparently explaining its Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) program. It feels like they're pushing for land use changes that suit their vision without respecting the community's strong, unified opposition over the last six months. In every meeting, 100% of the community has voiced their disapproval, yet it seems those concerns aren't acknowledged.

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Everything below is to enforce their TDR program, which they are not explaining.

13.1 Encourage flexibility in the design of residential sites, buildings, and related facilities to achieve a diversity of socio-economic housing mix and innovative means of meeting the market requirements.

13.2 Prioritize increase in density, rehabilitation, and redevelopment within existing zoned urban areas already served by basic infrastructure, or close to such areas.

13.4 Encourage the rehabilitation and/or utilization of maximum density in multi-family residential areas.

13.8 Focus on medium- and high-density residential and commercial uses in communities that can sustain a higher intensity of uses and where consistent with General Plan Land Use Map and existing town character

13.9 Support the rezoning of land to multiple residential near places of employment, retail, utilities, and educational, recreational, cultural, and public facilities.

Their efforts to align with the General Plan Land Use Map are causing significant changes across the island, which is a significant concern. For example, changing the land use title from agricultural to urban for Hokuia would allow developers to bypass the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) requirements, which are crucial for protecting the land and the community. This move could have profound implications for the environment and local residents.

Moreover, they're not considering the island's resources, which are already under considerable strain. Please see these News Articles in this petition that show how the Big Island is dealing with resource and infrastructure issues because Hawai'i County Planning is not making it a priority <https://www.change.org/p/help-big-island-resources-and-infrastructure-stay-safe-for-all-who-live-here-and-visit>

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30.12 Plan for broadband infrastructure to support smart grid development

Hawai'i County Planning doesn't talk about the power broadband and a smart grid will need, and Hawai'i Electric states, "That's why we will need everyone to work together over the next month, and possibly longer, to conserve electricity. We are extremely tight on what we call our generation margin, the margin between the demand for electricity and our ability to supply it. This demand typically peaks on weekdays between 5 and 9 p.m. and that's when the margin is most critical."

<https://www.hawaiielectric.com/safety-and-outages/an-update-on-hawaii-island-power-generation>

The island doesn't have the power for broadband or a smart grid.

<https://smartgrid.ieee.org/resources?catid=0&id=223>:

"A smart grid alone does three things. First, it modernizes power systems through self-healing designs, automation, remote monitoring and control... Thus, a smart grid sits at the heart of the smart city, which cannot fully exist without it".

Also, a Smart Grid will allow them to have more control through "remote monitoring," which will invade our privacy.

<https://minnovation.com.au/smart-cities-2/disadvantages-of-smart-cities-potential-challenges-and-concerns/>:

"Privacy and Data Security:

Smart cities rely heavily on the collection and analysis of vast amounts of data from sensors, cameras, and connected devices. This data is crucial for optimizing city operations and services. However, extensive data gathering raises concerns about privacy infringement and data security. Citizens worry about their personal information being accessed or misused."

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S240584402414011X>:

Drawbacks or disadvantages of Smart Grid

Following are the drawbacks or disadvantages of Smart Grid:

- Continuous communication network should be available.

- During emergency situation, network congestion or performance are big challenges in smart grid system.

- Cellular network providers do not provide guaranteed service in abnormal situations such as wind storm, heavy rain and lightening conditions.

- Some smart meters can be hacked which can be used to increase or decrease the demand for power.

- It is expensive to install smart meter compare to traditional old electricity meter.

Hawai'i County Planning Department does NOT have any research about how a broadband and smart grid will affect the health of the island, its community, animals, and plants. For example, at the bottom of this article, it states <https://electronics360.globalspec.com/article/11104/the-dangers-that-come-with-a-smart-grid>:

"Re: The Dangers That Come with a Smart Grid

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John Endres

2018-Feb-23 2:31 PM

One very critical danger that comes with a "smart grid" was not mentioned: the adverse health effects from electromagnetic fields. Current estimates of people experiencing adverse health effects from wireless technology hover at around 5%--I am one of them. After the installation of a water utility smart meter at my place of work, I experienced an escalation of symptoms (over time) that started with headaches and ultimately culminated in a seizure (I lost control of my legs). One month prior to the smart meter installation I had a complete annual physical and was given a clean bill of health. I underwent a barrage of medical tests after a week of experiencing health symptoms (thyroid, EEG, MRI, etc.) and everything was normal. I did begin to feel some of the painful head and eye sensations (that I would feel near wireless sources) at the end of the MRI."

Nor do they have any research on health risks with cell towers that they are allowing to be placed anywhere, and some of these cell tower tops are just a few feet from residential homes, HWY, and retirement homes...because a lot of the island is a mountain. If you put the base of a cell tower on one street, the top could be directly across from the community.

<https://mdsafetech.org/cell-tower-health-effects/>:

*** Percentage of studies that reported harmful effect of EMR in various groups in MOEF Report

Human Effects- 62% showed effects, 13% no effect and 25% inconclusive

Plant Effects- 87% showed effects and 13% were inconclusive

Wildlife Effects- 62% showed effects, 4% no effect and 36% inconclusive

Bee Effects—85% showed effects and 15% no effect

Bird Effects- 77% showed effects, 10% no effect and 13% inconclusive

"Overall results of this review show three types of effects by base station antennas on the health of people: radiofrequency sickness (RS), cancer (C) and changes in biochemical parameters (CBP). Considering all the studies reviewed globally (n = 38), 73.6% (28/38) showed effects: 73.9% (17/23) for radiofrequency sickness, 76.9% (10/13) for cancer and 75.0% (6/8) for changes in biochemical parameters...Of special importance are the studies performed on animals or trees near base station antennas that cannot be aware of their proximity and to which psychosomatic effects can never be attributed."

It's concerning that the Hawai'i County Planning Department isn't providing detailed information about the potential disadvantages of broadband and smart grid projects. They seem to be focusing on the benefits without addressing the possible negative impacts, especially when the island lacks the extra power for it.

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S240584402414011X>:

"However smart grids, being computerized remote-control systems overseeing electricity distribution, are vulnerable to cyberattacks."

30.5 Siting of new communications facilities shall comply with performance standards and site colocation as stated in the Code.

Hawai'i Planning does not explain that they use the word "sitting" to mean the laying of cable underground. The term "siting of new communications facilities" is extremely confusing. It generally refers to the process of selecting and preparing locations for new infrastructure, such as towers and cables, needed to support broadband and smart grid projects. This often involves road construction and can lead to increased traffic and disruptions because these cables need to be laid underground.

These cables could be laid shallow as this site states <https://primex.com/fiber-optic-internet-going-underground/>:

"The terrain and the local conditions need to be taken into account when considering underground broadband deployment. In rocky terrain, cable must be laid in a shallow trench."

<https://pulsefibre.co.uk/2023/06/15/when-more-is-less-the-risks-and-downsides-of-overbuild/>:

"Cost: Fibre optic broadband infrastructure can be an expensive endeavour, especially if it involves duplicating existing networks. This cost can ultimately be passed on to consumers, making broadband services more expensive and potentially reducing the adoption rate of fibre optic services.

Inefficiency: As mentioned above, overbuilding can lead to dormant infrastructure, creating wasted resources and increased environmental impact. This is particularly relevant in the case of fibre optic broadband, where installing fibre can be resource intensive.

Fragmentation: When different service providers own and operate various parts of the infrastructure, it can make it difficult for consumers to switch between providers and could result in reduced competition.

Legal and regulatory issues: Particularly in cases where existing service providers have exclusive rights to operate in certain areas. This can result in lengthy legal battles that delay the deployment of new infrastructure.

Maintenance: Increased maintenance costs can occur, especially if there is redundant infrastructure that needs to be maintained. This can ultimately lead to higher costs for consumers or reduced network quality – something we are wholeheartedly against at Pulse Fibre.

Technology obsolescence: Expensive upgrades or replacements may be required down the line if new infrastructure is not designed to accommodate future upgrades.

Wasted resources: Overbuilding for fibre solutions can result in the waste of valuable resources, including time, money, and materials.

Environmental: Overbuilding multiplies CO2 emissions as duplicate workforces are deployed, travelling more miles, digging more holes and creating a piecemeal labour profile. As well as laying more raw materials which may never get used. More information can be found on the Journal of Lightwave Technology."

It's concerning that the Hawai'i County Planning Department isn't addressing the increasing traffic issues while pushing for broadband and smart grid projects. Infrastructure, especially roadways, is already under significant strain, and these new projects will exacerbate the problem rather than alleviate it.

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13.13 Support master planning by public and private institutions and landowners which emphasize TOD, affordable housing, and mixed-use development.

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20.e Adopt a Complete Streets ordinance.

Hawai'i County Planning Department mentions "Master Planning and Ordinances" but they DO NOT explain what these are in their 2045 General Plan.

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13.44 The development or designation of new resort areas should complement the character of the area; protect the environment and natural beauty; respect existing lifestyles, cultural practices, and cultural resources; and provide shoreline public access.

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28.11 The County shall ensure that golf course developments develop and implement grading and site preparation plans to...

It's frustrating to see so many development applications going up all over when the Big Island clearly does not need more resorts and golf courses. The island is already facing resource issues with existing developments, and there are still many years of already-approved projects that haven't even been started yet.

The island needs sustainable development that prioritizes the well-being of residents and the conservation of the island's resources.

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"The West Hawai'i Sanitary Landfill, the only remaining landfill on the Big Island, is forecast to reach capacity within the next 20 to 25 years." <https://bigislandnow.com/2023/09/17/big-island-now-poll-no-27-results-more-than-one-solution-needed-to-help-extend-life-of-west-hawaii-landfill/>

"Water issues are not just happening 'somewhere else'. In Hawaii the finite boundaries of each island requires geographically defined water self-sufficiency systems that are reliable, safe, and expandable. On each island there are dozens of micro-climates and varied geologic features that impact the availability, methods, and costs to access safe water. <http://www.oneisland.org/hawaii/green-resources/water>

"HECO issues rolling power outages around Big Island by: Emily Cervantes Posted: Feb 13, 2024 / 05:11 PM HST Updated: Feb 13, 2024 / 09:12 PM HST Hawaiian Electric initiated rolling outages for Big Island after several large generators became unavailable and reduced output Tuesday night." <https://www.khon2.com/local-news/heco-releases-conservation-alert-for-big-island/>

14.1 Support the State Land Use reclassification to Rural in alignment with the General Plan Rural designation.

What is the General Plan Rural Designation? Is this more high-end land use titles changing from agriculture to rural?

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17.4 Land use applications shall identify as early as possible any existing or potential active living corridors that should be incorporated into the County's open space network.

Who decides what a living corridor is? Is this the county's way of taking private land areas away through a Land Use Application?

I firmly oppose the Hawai'i County Planning Department's 2045 General Plan. I demand the reappointment of the Hawai'i Planning Director to someone who will prioritize addressing Big Island resources, conserving the land, and listening to local voices. We need a leader who will stand with the community, not high-end developers, to preserve the unique character and future of the Big Island.

Rebecca Melendez

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Aloha e Martha,

Thank you for sending me good information. Great job. I hope this doesn't happen. Hawai'i won't be the same. I hope you have a great evening.

Mahalo a Aloha,

Laura

On Sun, Feb 9, 2025, 10:34 AM Martha Stephens <martha@marthafineart.com> wrote:

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The United Nations 2030 Agenda decoded: It's a blueprint for the global enslavement of humanity under the boot of corporate masters

Friday, September 04, 2015
by [Mike Adams](#),

(NaturalNews) This week, Michael Snyder published an important article entitled [The 2030 Agenda: This Month The UN Launches A Blueprint For A New World Order With The Help Of The Pope](#).

That article references [this UN "2030 Agenda" document](#) that pushes a blueprint for so-called "sustainable development" around the world.

This document describes nothing less than a **global government takeover of every nation across the planet**. The "goals" of this document are nothing more than code words for a corporate-government fascist agenda that will imprison humanity in a devastating cycle of poverty while enriching the world's most powerful globalist corporations like Monsanto and DuPont.

In the interests of helping wake up humanity, I've decided to **translate the 17 points of this 2030 agenda** so that readers everywhere can understand what this document is really calling

for. To perform this translation, you have to understand how globalists disguise their monopolistic agendas in "feel good" language.

Here's the point-by-point translation. Notice carefully that **nowhere does this document state that "achieving human freedom" is one of its goals**. Nor does it explain HOW these goals are to be achieved. As you'll see here, every single point in this UN agenda is to be achieved through **centralized government control and totalitarian mandates** that resemble communism.

Translation of the UN's "2030 Agenda blueprint for globalist government" (controlled by corporate interests)

Goal 1) End poverty in all its forms everywhere

Translation: Put everyone on government welfare, food stamps, housing subsidies and handouts that make them obedient slaves to global government. Never allow people upward mobility to help themselves. Instead, teach mass victimization and obedience to a government that provides monthly "allowance" money for basic essentials like food and medicine. Label it "ending poverty."

Goal 2) End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

Translation: Invade the entire planet with GMOs and Monsanto's patented seeds while increasing the use of deadly herbicides under the false claim of "increased output" of food crops. Engineer genetically modified plants to boost specific vitamin chemicals while having no idea of the long-term consequences of

genetic pollution or cross-species genetic experiments carried out openly in a fragile ecosystem.

Goal 3) Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

Translation: Mandate 100+ vaccines for all children and adults at gunpoint, threatening parents with arrest and imprisonment if they refuse to cooperate. Push heavy medication use on children and teens while rolling out "screening" programs. Call mass medication "prevention" programs and claim they improve the health of citizens.

Goal 4) Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

Translation: Push a false history and a dumbed-down education under "Common Core" education standards that produce obedient workers rather than independent thinkers. Never let people learn real history, or else they might realize they don't want to repeat it.

Goal 5) Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

Translation: Criminalize Christianity, marginalize heterosexuality, demonize males and promote the LGBT agenda everywhere. The real goal is never "equality" but rather the marginalization and shaming of anyone who expresses any male characteristics whatsoever. The ultimate goal is to feminize society, creating widespread acceptance of "gentle obedience" along with the self-weakening ideas of communal property and "sharing" everything. Because only male energy has the strength to rise up against oppression and fight for human rights, the suppression of male energy is key to keeping the population in a state of eternal acquiescence.

Goal 6) Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

Translation: Allow powerful corporations to seize control of the world's water supplies and charge monopoly prices to "build new water delivery infrastructure" that "ensures availability."

Goal 7) Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

Translation: Penalize coal, gas and oil while pushing doomed-to-fail "green" energy subsidies to brain-dead startups headed by friends of the White House who all go bankrupt in five years or less. The green startups make for impressive speeches and media coverage, but because these companies are led by corrupt idiots rather than capable entrepreneurs, they always go broke. (And the media hopes you don't remember all the fanfare surrounding their original launch.)

Goal 8) Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

Translation: Regulate small business out of existence with government-mandated minimum wages that bankrupt entire sectors of the economy. Force employers to meet hiring quotas of LGBT workers while mandating wage tiers under a centrally planned work economy dictated by the government. Destroy free market economics and deny permits and licenses to those companies that don't obey government dictates.

Goal 9) Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

Translation: Put nations into extreme debt with the World Bank, spending debt money to hire corrupt American corporations to build large-scale infrastructure projects that trap developing nations in an endless spiral of debt. See the book *Confessions of an Economic Hit Man* by John Perkins to understand the details of how this scheme has been repeated countless times over the last several decades.

Goal 10) Reduce inequality within and among countries

Translation: Punish the rich, the entrepreneurs and the innovators, confiscating nearly all gains by those who choose to work and excel. Redistribute the confiscated wealth to the masses of non-working human parasites that feed off a productive economy while contributing nothing to it... all while screaming about "equality!"

Goal 11) Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

Translation: Ban all gun ownership by private citizens, concentrating guns into the hands of obedient government enforcers who rule over an unarmed, enslaved class of impoverished workers. Criminalize living in most rural areas by instituting *Hunger Games*-style "protected areas" which the government will claim are owned by "the People" even though no people are allowed to live there. Force all humans into densely packed, tightly controlled cities where they are under 24/7 surveillance and subject to easy manipulation by government.

Goal 12) Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

Translation: Begin levying punitive taxes on the consumption of fossil fuels and electricity, forcing people to live under conditions of worsening standards of living that increasingly resemble Third

World conditions. Use social influence campaigns in TV, movies and social media to shame people who use gasoline, water or electricity, establishing a social construct of ninnies and tattlers who rat out their neighbors in exchange for food credit rewards.

Goal 13) Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

Translation: Set energy consumption quotas on each human being and start punishing or even criminalizing "lifestyle decisions" that exceed energy usage limits set by governments. Institute total surveillance of individuals in order to track and calculate their energy consumption. Penalize private vehicle ownership and force the masses onto public transit, where TSA grunts and facial recognition cameras can monitor and record the movement of every person in society, like a scene ripped right out of *Minority Report*.

Goal 14) Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Translation: Ban most ocean fishing, plunging the food supply into an extreme shortage and causing runaway food price inflation that puts even more people into economic desperation. Criminalize the operation of private fishing vessels and place all ocean fishing operations under the control of government central planning. Only allow favored corporations to conduct ocean fishing operations (and make this decision based entirely on which corporations give the most campaign contributions to corrupt lawmakers).

Goal 15) Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

Translation: Roll out Agenda 21 and force humans off the land and into controlled cities. Criminalize private land ownership, including ranches and agricultural tracts. Tightly control all agriculture through a corporate-corrupted government bureaucracy whose policies are determined almost entirely by Monsanto while being rubber-stamped by the USDA. Ban woodstoves, rainwater collection and home gardening in order to criminalize self-reliance and force total dependence on government.

Goal 16) Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

Translation: Grant legal immunity to illegal aliens and "protected" minority groups, which will be free to engage in any illegal activity -- including openly calling for the mass murder of police officers -- because they are the new *protected class* in society. "Inclusive institutions" means granting favorable tax structures and government grants to corporations that hire LGBT workers or whatever groups are currently in favor with the central planners in government. Use the IRS and other federal agencies to selectively punish unfavorable groups with punitive audits and regulatory harassment, all while ignoring the criminal activities of favored corporations that are friends of the political elite.

Goal 17) Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

Translation: Enact global trade mandates that override national laws while granting unrestricted imperialism powers to companies like Monsanto, Dow Chemical, RJ Reynolds, Coca-Cola and Merck. Pass global trade pacts that bypass a nation's lawmakers and override intellectual property laws to make sure the world's most powerful corporations maintain total monopolies over drugs,

seeds, chemicals and technology. Nullify national laws and demand total global obedience to trade agreements authored by powerful corporations and rubber-stamped by the UN.

Total enslavement of the planet by 2030

As the UN document says, "We commit ourselves to working tirelessly for the full implementation of this Agenda by 2030."

If you read the full document and can read beyond the fluffery and public relations phrases, you'll quickly realize that **this UN agenda is going to be forced upon all the citizens of the world through the invocation of government coercion.**

Nowhere does this document state that the rights of the individual will be protected. Nor does it even acknowledge the existence of human rights granted to individuals by the Creator. Even the so-called "Universal Declaration of Human Rights" utterly denies individuals the right to self defense, the right to medical choice and the right to parental control over their own children.

The UN is planning nothing less than a **global government tyranny** that enslaves all of humanity while calling the scheme "sustainable development" and "equality."

1984 has finally arrived. And of course it's all being rolled out under the fraudulent label of "progress."



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This is their end goal. A system where everything is done remotely and eventually controlled by AI. This is why DARPA, CERN, NASA, IBM, GOOGLE, BIG PHARMA & the Telecommunication Companies all came together. This is what they are attempting to do.

