

The South Kohala Community Development Plan (CDP) Action Committee (AC) submits the following comments on the Draft General Plan 2045. The compiled comments correspond to the South Kohala CDP, Table 8.1 Implementation Matrix. The table is broken down into the four towns and villages of South Kohala (Waimea Town Plan, Waikoloa Village Plan, Kawaihae Community Plan, and Puakō Community Plan). The AC encourages the implementation of the following SKCDP strategies as they align with the General Plan.

Waimea Town Plan

Prioritize preserving Ag Lands and Open Spaces based on viewplanes, cultural sites, and historical sites. Preserve hillsides and grading for these areas, and change zoning to protect these lands. The AC also supports the development of more affordable housing and pedestrian access for the Waimea Community.

- 1.1 Acquire conservation easements for critical Pu‘u parcels
- 1.2 Require a Use permit for grading on Steep Land
- 2.1 Acquisition of Fee Interest or of Conservation Easements of Open Space Areas in East Waimea
- 2.2 Internal Transfer of Development Rights
- 3.1 Self-help housing
- 3.2 Non-profit housing corporation(s)
- 4.1 Walkways and Bikeways for Waimea

Waikoloa Village Plan

In addition to the following action items, the AC strongly recommends prioritizing the completion of the Daniel K. Inouye Highway between Mamalahoa Hwy and Queen K. Hwy, from mauka to makai.

- 1.1 Finance and construct a second access road to Queen Ka‘ahumanu
- ~~2.1 Finance and construct a community center and community park~~
- ~~3.1 New elementary school, middle school, and high school~~

Kawaihae Community Plan

- 1.1 Complete the development of the Ouli Well Field and transmit the water from Ouli to the Kawaihae area in order to provide additional sources of potable water for the area
 - Revise 1.1 to focus on the area from Kawaihae to Kailapa Hawaiian Homes
 - Adding infrastructure for housing in Hawaiian homes
 - New action plan for an evacuation route for Kailapa subdivision

Puakō Community Plan

- 1.1 Establish a fuel break along Queen Ka‘ahumanu Highway and the northeastern section of Puakō Road
- 1.2 Upgrade existing emergency warning sirens to have a battery electrical power backup in case of power outages
- 1.3 Construct the Paniau Evacuation Route
- 2.1 Construct a sanitary sewer system for the Puakō Beach Lots

