

# Hāmākua Community Development Plan



CDP Update

March 2011

## Highlights from the March 1<sup>st</sup> Steering Committee Meeting: Introducing the Hāmākua CDP Values and Vision Statement!

We were happy to have over 20 community members attend the March 1st CDP meeting in Laupāhoehoe. At that meeting, the Steering Committee voted to adopt a Values and Vision Statement that will be used to guide the planning process. This statement will ensure that the CDP is developed in line with the values and vision already expressed by the community throughout the initial Talk Story & Survey phase of the CDP. This statement is just the beginning of the conversation, and now the real work of planning is underway. The full statement is included on page 2 of this Update, and the full Values and Vision Report is located on the main page of our site: [www.hamakuacdp.info](http://www.hamakuacdp.info).

Also at the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, Progress Reports for the 10 Strategy Areas were given by Steering Committee members. These Strategy Areas include: Agricultural Strategies, Community-Managed & Public Access, Town Revitalization & Old Mamalahoa & Growth Areas, Cane Road & Industrial Areas, Watershed Partnership & Forestry, Waipi'o Valley Wahi Pana, Sea Cliff Setback, Transportation, Disaster Resiliency, Community Facilities Needs & Financing. To see the reports that were presented, please check out this link: <http://www.hawaiicountycdp.info/hamakua-cdp/hamakua-cdp-strategy-areas>

Please join us at the next Steering Committee meeting:  
**April 5, 2011, 5:00pm -7:00pm**  
Pāpa'ikou Community Center  
(the building next to the gym across from Kalaniana'ole School in Pāpa'ikou)

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### **On the Agenda for the April Meeting:**

- CDP Strategy Area Progress Reports
- Presentation of Preliminary Plans for Summer Regional Participatory Workshop
- Presentation on the status of the Open Spaces, Public Access and Natural Resource Preservation Commission (PONC) by District Representative Terri Markovich

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## Hāmākua CDP Values and Vision Statement

We, the residents of Hāmākua recognize that the foundation of our life, livelihood and well-being comes from the ‘āina - the land, the seas, the rivers and streams, the forests, and the skies. As active stewards, we mālama the ‘āina as the source of sustenance for ourselves and future generations. This Kanaka Maoli wisdom guides our actions with the principle that “what is good for the land, is good for the people.”

*‘O ka mea kūpono ‘āina ka mea kūpono kanaka.*

Our pristine landscapes and rich agricultural lands from mauka to makai, native forests to coastal waters, streams and watersheds, the sweeping views and open spaces are protected and enhanced. We protect our culturally significant and sacred places, and nurture our diverse cultural and plantation heritage. Access to natural resources and care for the ‘āina supports and perpetuates subsistence and recreation, Native Hawaiian, and other cultural traditions.

Hāmākua is a rural community of distinctive small towns and villages thriving on sustainable agriculture and ranching to provide ourselves and the rest of Hawai‘i with healthy food and locally grown products. Our vibrant economy is based on local businesses that are able to provide living wage jobs and ensure access to goods and services so that our families can work and shop close to home. We produce and rely on clean, renewable energy to power our communities and businesses.

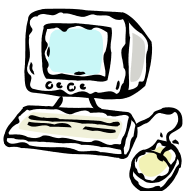
Our high quality of life is rooted in our strong sense of ‘ohana and community. We support lifetime learning through the expansion of educational opportunities for all residents. Access to quality healthcare, elderly care, and affordable housing is provided. We host festivals for music, culture, arts, and agriculture, and are known for our parks, gathering places, and recreation programs.

Our communities are connected by a network of safe, well maintained roadways and we enjoy multiple transportation choices. Our community prides itself on its heritage roads as alternative, slower routes between our popular destinations and our historic plantation villages.

Hāmākua is a place where change is thoughtful & deliberate. Our deep aloha for the ‘āina compels and ensures smart, sustainable development, and the protection and perpetuation of Hāmākua’s uniqueness now and into the future.

~adopted by the Hāmākua CDP Steering Committee, March 1<sup>st</sup> 2011

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