

Regional Community Planning Workshop FAQ

What is the Hāmākua CDP Regional Community Planning Workshop?

The Hāmākua CDP Regional Community Planning Workshops (Workshop) are interactive events designed to:

- Present proposed strategies and ideas that have come out of the CDP process
- Capture communities' opinions and preferences about those strategies
- Provide the planning team guidance in developing policies and actions for the draft CDP
- Gather to celebrate the Hāmākua Community.

Who should come?

Everyone who cares about the future of Hāmākua, its people, and communities should participate in the Workshop. The strength of the CDP depends on broad community participation. The community's voice, now more than ever, can help shape the future of the planning area by weighing in on the Plan's proposed strategies and ideas. So bring your 'ohana, your neighbors, and your keiki to plan for the future you want.

Where are the Workshops sessions being held and when should I be there?

The Hāmākua CDP Regional Planning Workshop sessions are coming to a neighborhood near you!

When	Where	Focus
Thursday, March 29, 2012 5:00pm – 9:00pm	North Hawaiʻi Education & Research Center (NHERC), Honoka'a	Session focused on Hāmākua and North Hilo Issues
Friday, March 30, 2012 5:00pm – 9:00pm	Pāpa⁴ikou Gym	Session focused on North Hilo and Rural South Hilo Issues
Sunday, April 1, 2012 @ Noon	Laupāhoehoe Point Gym	Report back on previous sessions & a celebration of the Hāmākua Community.

Please note: If you can't make it to the session that covers your community, you are welcome to come to another session and give feedback.

Thursday and Friday sessions are during dinner, and Sunday's session will be at lunchtime - will there be food?

Yes. Meals will be served at each session and participants are encouraged to bring a dish to share.

Is it important that I be there for the whole session?

Yes, if you can! Participants are encouraged to come on time and stay for the entire session if possible. The evening workshop sessions are set up to gather different kinds of input at several points throughout the night. However, if you cannot make it on time or have to leave early, your input is still valuable and we will gather and record whatever feedback you are able to provide.

Can I come to more than one session?

All three sessions are official Hāmākua CDP Steering Committee Meetings and open to the public, and the community is welcome to attend as many sessions as they like. However, please note that each session has a different purpose and focus.

What Topics Will Be Covered at the Workshop Sessions?

Thursday and **Friday** night sessions will feature discussion and/or input on:

- Land Use and Growth Management
 - o Where and how should the community grow in the future?
 - o How do we protect open space, natural beauty, agricultural lands, and the rural character of Hāmākua while allowing for appropriate future growth?
- Economic Development
 - o How to support a local, agricultural based economy
 - o What role should tourism play in the Hāmākua economy?
 - o What role does town revitalization play in Hāmākua's economic future?
- Natural & Cultural Resources Management
- Public Access
- Disaster Readiness/ Community Preparedness

Sunday's session will feature the results of your input from the Thursday and Friday sessions as well as a celebration of the Hāmākua community (see more info below).

What will happen at the workshop?

Participants will be asked provide feedback through various methods including:

- **Keypad Polling** a fun, interactive polling technology designed to gather a large amount of responses and demonstrate group results in real time;
- Questionnaires/Surveys at various stations around the room;
- Small Group Discussion/Brainstorming around specific questions/issues.

How Can I get more information about the Workshop and the CDP?

To find out more information about the workshop:

- Visit the Hamakua CDP website at www.hamakuacdp.info;
- Call project Manger Christian Kay at 961-8136;
- Contact one of your CDP Steering Committee members at the contact information below:

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Come Celebrate With Us!

We invite the community to Sunday's session which will be an 'ohana-style celebration of all that is Hāmākua featuring food, entertainment, games, and prize drawings on Sunday, April 1st!

