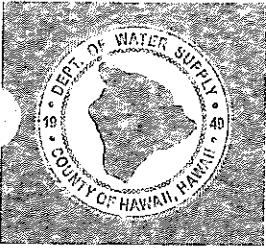


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TO: Mr. Christopher J. Yuen, Planning Director  
Planning Department

FROM: Milton D. Pavao, Manager

SUBJECT: **DRAFT PUNA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

We have reviewed the subject Draft Puna Community Development Plan and have the following comments.

The Department of Water Supply maintains and operates several water systems in the District of Puna that extend from Glenwood to Keaau and from Keaau to Kapoho and Kalapana.

The Department is dedicated to provide water service for the growth of Puna, while being mindful that the current level of service to our existing customers must be maintained. It should be noted that the Department's existing water systems were not designed to provide service to the large agricultural subdivisions in the District of Puna, such as Hawaiian Acres, Orchidland Estates, and Hawaiian Paradise Park. Providing service to such areas would require extensive improvements to our existing water systems, which would include additional source, storage, booster pump, transmission, and distribution facilities. Currently, funding is not available from the Department and there is no time schedule set for such improvements.

Should there be any questions, you may contact Mr. Finn McCall of our Water Resources and Planning Branch at 961-8070, extension 255.

Sincerely yours,

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