

## Hawai'i Ocean Resources Management Plan Coordinated Working Group

### Meeting Summary

August 2, 2018 - 9:00am – 12:00 pm  
Office of Planning, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
235 S. Beretania Street, Honolulu, HI 96813

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#### Present:

Name	Agency/Organization
Asuncion, Leo	OP
Bennett, Stephanie	NOAA-OCM
Co, Eric	Harold K.L. Castle Foundation
Damien, Francis	Guam CZM
Darrow, Jeff	Hawai'i County Planning Department
Eisen, Tom	OEQC
Feeney, Susan	OP-CZM
Galinato, Jody (via phone)	Kauai County Planning Department
Godwin, Scott	DLNR-DAR
Harper, Doug	Mālama Maunalua
Hekeia, Josh	OP-CZM
Hughes, Kira (via phone)	UH-HIMB
Hull, Ka'aina	Kauai County Planning Department
Jackson, Maija	Hawai'i County Planning Department
Jernack, Nick	DLNR-DAR
Kuo, Jules	DLNR-DAR
Langenberger, Fiona	PacIOOS
Loerzel, Adrienne	NOAA-OCM
Lander, Melanie	OP-CZM
Ma, Sandy	OP-CZM
Maeda, Troy	DOH-CWB
Maurin, Paulo (via phone)	NOAA-OCM
Reyes, Edwin	Guam CZM
Rossetter, Sandra	DOT-Harbors
Suguitan, Gil	Guam CZM
Toft, Jessica	Guam CZM
Webster, Lisa	OP-CZM
<b>Presenters</b>	
Ka'anā'anā, Kalani	HTA
Suzuki-Jones, Gail	Hawai'i Green Business Program

#### Welcome, Introductions

Justine Nihipali, Manager, Office of Planning (OP) Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program, welcomed participants to the Coordinated Working Group (CWG) meeting.

## Office of Planning Updates

Leo Asuncion, OP Director, shared several updates with the CWG:

- The [Transit-Oriented Development](#) (TOD) Master Plan for State Lands on Oahu kicked off last month. Several charrettes will occur over the next 18 months to engage with the public about the plan. The plan will address infrastructure and financing for the development of state-owned lands around future rail stations.
- The OP-Special Plans Branch is examining emerging industries such as tech companies which may be accommodated in TOD areas. The study is being funded by the Economic Development Administration.
- The [Special Action Team on Affordable Rental Housing](#) presented the *Affordable Rental Housing Report and Ten-Year Plan* to the Governor last week. The report reviews recommendations for the development of 22,500 affordable rental units by December 31, 2026.
- OP is growing by two staff members in the area of TOD. OP also has two vacant Planner V positions. The positions are in the Land Use Division and the CZM Program.
- The [Greenhouse Gas Sequestration Taskforce](#) (previously the Carbon Farming Taskforce) will have its first meeting (since being renamed) in September.
- A study is planned to examine the establishment of a carbon offset program in Hawai'i. The study was commissioned by [Act 16](#) Session Laws of Hawai'i (SLH) 2018, and is being managed by the State Sustainability Coordinator, Danielle Bass. A consultant will be procured to lead the study, which will take about a year. The study will examine forestry efforts, energy efficiency projects, and other programs.

## Coordinated Working Group Working Session

Justine shared the status of several current CZM initiatives:

- The CZM Program is undergoing a Section 312 Evaluation in late August. A National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)-hosted public meeting will be held on August 29, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the Capitol Auditorium to accept comments about the Hawai'i CZM program.

Melanie Lander announced the focus of the meeting, ORMP Management Priority #6, Ocean Economy, with an emphasis on Hawai'i's tourism industry. The meeting's presenters, Gail Suzuki-Jones, Hawai'i Green Business Program Manager, Hawai'i State Energy Office, Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) and Kalani L. H. Ka'anā'anā, Cultural Affairs Director, Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA), presented their perspectives on tourism and the state's thriving tourism economy.

Following the presentations, Melanie shared several draft outreach materials with the CWG, including an Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI) Storymap, a printed brochure, and the fourth edition of the Hawai'i Community Stewardship Directory.

## ORMP Agency Updates and Announcements

Sandra Rossetter, Department of Transportation (DOT)-Harbors, reported that the [Honolulu Harbor Master Plan](#) update had its first technical advisory committee meeting. The plan update is in Phase I, which is focused on research and data gathering.

Jules Kuo, Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR)-Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR), reported that she and Nick Jernack continue to work on the online reporting database to facilitate ballast water reporting. The database will streamline reporting requirements with other states and countries. Ballast water reports are currently submitted via fax or email and entered manually into the system. Additionally, Jules stated that monitoring structures were recently deployed to identify alien species in Hawai'i's harbors. The structures will be observed for the recruitment and establishment of non-native organisms. Two structures were placed within Honolulu Harbor, two were placed at the harbor mouth, and one structure was located at Barbers Point. Additional locations will be deployed in the future. In-water cleaning conditions and biofouling regulations continue to be developed in partnership with DOT and DOH.

Tom Eisen, Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC), stated that the Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) Chapter 11-200, Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) rules continue to be [updated](#). Public comments are currently being incorporated into the draft rules.

Jeff Darrow, Hawai'i County Planning Department, shared that all Special Management Area (SMA)-related reviews have shifted to the Planning Division within Hawai'i County in order to consolidate the review of SMA permitting. The planning department is working on transitional housing and long-term housing for those impacted by the continuing lava flow event.

Lisa Webster, OP-CZM, reported that the next [Marine and Coastal Zone Advocacy Council](#) (MACZAC) meeting will be held on October 1, 2018 from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm in the Office of Planning large conference room.

Troy Maeda, Department of Health (DOH)-Clean Water Branch (CWB), reported that the CWB has updated their [advisory system](#).

Stephanie Bennett, NOAA-Office for Coastal Management (OCM), announced the [Pacific Risk Management Ohana](#) (PRiMO) conference is set to take place from August 6-9, 2018 at the Hawai'i Convention Center. NOAA Grant Development Proposal Trainings will be occurring this September and October. Dates have not yet been set, but meetings will occur statewide. The Pacific Program Manager's Meeting will occur in Guam from October 8-12, 2018. The meeting will include representatives from CZM programs, Corals programs, National Estuarine Research Reserves (NERR) from throughout the Pacific Region.

Doug Harper, Mālama Maunalua, shared that this month Hanauma Bay will be hosting Thursday night [education programming](#) dedicated to the Maunalua region.

### **Next Steps & Housekeeping**

The next CWG meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 4, 2018.

**Adjourned at 12:00 pm.**