

Update of the Hawaii Water Resource Protection Plan

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Commission on Water Resource Management Meeting



Hawaii Water Plan Components

Water Resource
Protection Plan

Water Quality
Plan

State Water
Projects Plan

Agricultural
Water Use and
Development
Plan

County
Water Use and
Development
Plans



State Water Code



*There is a need for a program of **comprehensive water resources planning** to address the problems of supply and conservation of water. The **Hawaii water plan**, with such future amendments, supplements, and additions as may be necessary, is accepted as the guide for developing and implementing this policy. (§174C-2(b) HRS)*

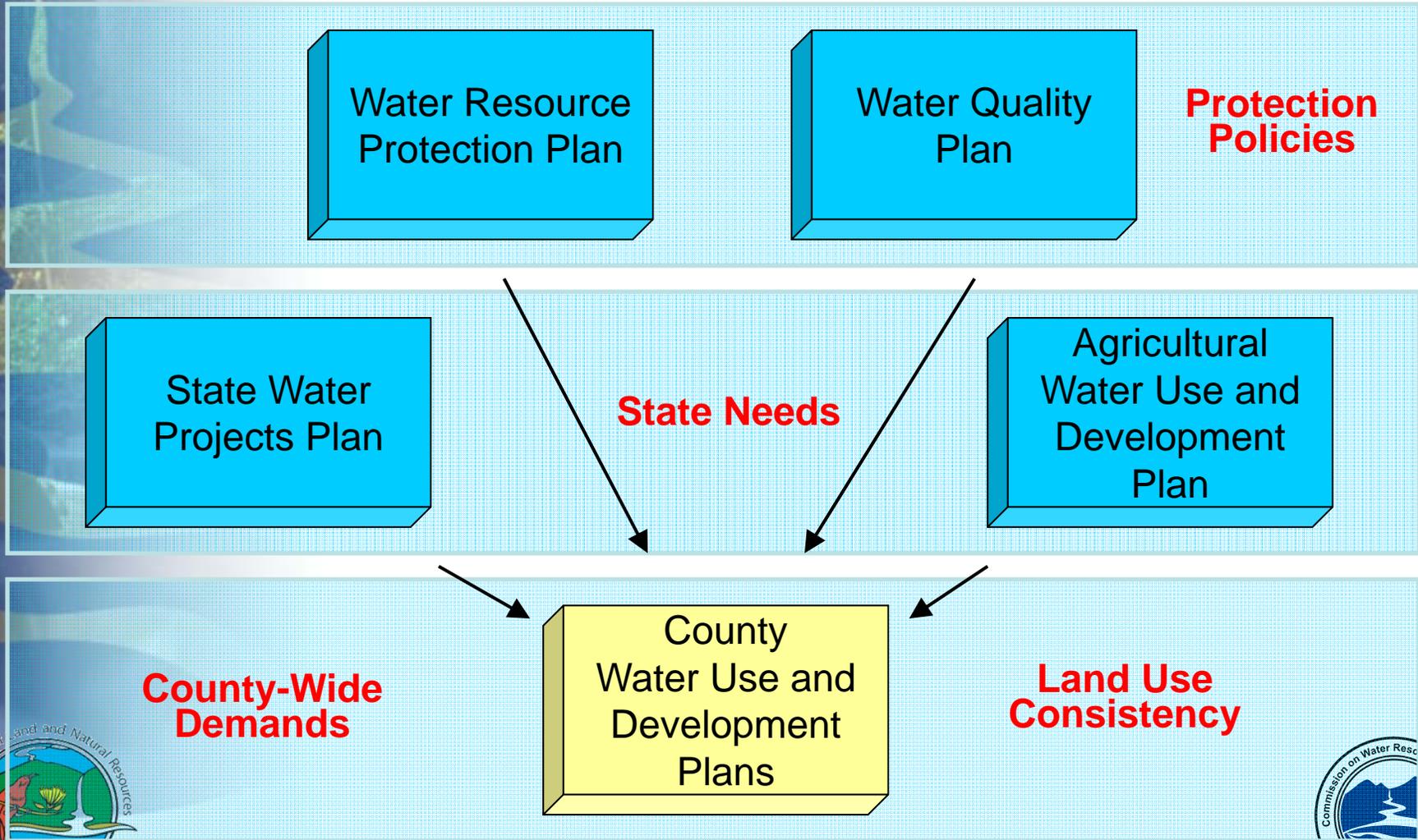


Hawaii Water Plan Objectives

- Set water resource policies
- Proper conservation and development of water
- Reasonable and beneficial use of water
- Ensure adequate water quality
- Control water for public purposes
- Provide for DHHL needs
- Recognize county home rule



Hawaii Water Plan Integration



Water Resource Protection Plan

§174C-31(d) HRS

- Nature and occurrence of water resources in the state
- Hydrologic units and their characteristics, including the quantity and quality of available resource, requirements for beneficial instream uses and environmental protection, desirable uses worthy of preservation by permit, and undesirable uses for which permits may be denied



Water Resource Protection Plan

§174C-31(d) HRS

- Existing and contemplated uses of water, as identified in the water use and development plans of the State and counties, their impact on the resource, and their consistency with objectives and policies established in the water resource protection and water quality plans
- Programs to conserve, augment, and protect the water resource
- Other elements necessary or desirable for inclusion in the plan





Hawaii Water Plan
Water Resource Protection Plan
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Objectives of the WRPP Update

- Incorporation of emerging issues
- Creation of a holistic management document
- Identification of supporting programs by other agencies
- Development of a succinct, action-oriented plan to inform the public and guide the Commission



WRPP Schedule



WATER RESOURCE STATUS

- Organize the project team
- Update 2008 WRPP chapters with new information
- Analysis of data and status of programs
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- Water Commission Briefings
- Water Professionals Group Meetings
- Meetings with Agencies and Non-Governmental Organizations

DRAFT WRPP UPDATE

- Identify potential sources of funding
- Develop an Implementation Plan and Schedule
- Compile the Draft WRPP Report
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- Water Commission Briefing

PUBLIC REVIEW

- Distribute Public Review Draft WRPP
- Solicit and respond to public comments
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- Water Commission Briefing
- Public Hearings
 - Kona
 - Hilo
 - Maui
 - Lāna‘i
 - Moloka‘i
 - O‘ahu
 - Kaua‘i

FINAL WRPP UPDATE

- Revise Draft WRPP Update Report
- Finalize WRPP Update Report
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- Water Commission Briefing



Questions?

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