

## **Coastal Zone Management Citizens Advisory Group**

Wednesday, December 12, 2001  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Room 203, Leiopapa a Kamehameha Building  
235 S. Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii

### **MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Lawrence Aki, Donna Brown, James Coon, Arnold Lum, John Ray, Roland Sagum III, Susan Sakai, Kevin Seiter, Scott Sullivan, Ron Terry, Ph.D., Donald Thornburg

**CZM Staff:** David W. Blane, Christopher Chung, John Nakagawa, Chris Meller, Lea Kaiakamalie, Becky Pollock, Teri Hee, Deputy Attorney General John Chang

**Others Present:** Joseph Beste, Ocean Energy Group; Jason Brodersen, Tetra Tech; Liz Corbin, Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism/Ocean Resources Branch; Phyllis Fujimoto, Hawaii County Planning Department; Vic Gustufson, State Civil Defense; June Harrigan and Katina Henderson, Department of Health/Environmental Planning Office; Sam Lemmo, Dept. of Land and Natural Resources; Diana Leone, Star Bulletin; Fred McGhee, USAF; Ardis Shaw-Kim, Department of Planning and Permitting, Land Division; Leonard Young, Aquaculture Development Program

### **DISTRIBUTED MATERIALS**

- Inaugural Meeting Agenda
- Coastal Zone Management Citizens Advisory Group Directory
- CZM Hawaii Brochure
- Hawaii Coastal Zone Management Annual Report to the Twenty-First Legislature, Regular Session of 2001 dated December 2000
- Hawaii Coastal Zone Management Program Report on Section 309 Enhancement Area Grants Program, FY 2001-2005, Assessment and Strategy
- Act 169
- Proposed Amendments to the Hawaii Administrative Rule, Chapter 11-54, Water Quality Standards, Executive Summary dated December 11, 2001
- Explanations for 2001 Proposed Water Quality Standards Amendments
- Hawaii's Water Quality Standards: A Public Guide
- Memorandum from the Department of the Attorney General to Members of State Boards and Commissions regarding The Sunshine Law and Procedures For Conducting State Board and Commission Meetings dated October 13, 2000

### **SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION**

Office of Planning Director David Blane opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. by welcoming the members of the newly formed Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Citizen Advisory Group. Mr. Blane noted that he would like each individual member to be an independent voice and that the CZM staff will be facilitators and provide the members with coordinative assistance.

Introductions were made by each Citizen Advisory Group member.

### **Act 169 - Advisory Group Restructuring**

Chris Chung provided a brief presentation on the background and purpose and intent of Act 169 relating to the Office of Planning's responsibility to maintain a public advisory body and that the body is advisory to the lead agency and the State Coastal Zone Management Program.

### **Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson**

David Blane opened nominations for chairperson of the Citizen Advisory Group. Roland Sagum moved to nominate Sue Sakai as chairperson. The nomination was seconded by James Coon. Sue Sakai was unanimously elected as chairperson for a one-year term by voice votes. Chairperson Sakai opened nominations for vice chairperson. Roland Sagum moved to nominate Arnold Lum as vice chairperson for the Citizen Advisory Group. The nomination was seconded by Jim Coon and Arnold Lum was unanimously elected as vice chairperson by voice votes.

Introductions were made by the Coastal Zone Management staff and members of the audience.

### **General Discussion Regarding Advisory Group**

Chris Chung reported that the role of the Office of Planning will be as a facilitator of this advisory group and that the Office of Planning will provide resources, staff and funding, as allowable. He encouraged the members to think of a name/acronym to call this new advisory group.

### **CZM Hawaii Program Overview**

Chris Chung provided a comprehensive powerpoint overview presentation on the Coastal Zone Management Program.

Lunch was served to the Citizens Advisory Group members as an integral part of the meeting.

### **LUNCHEON MEETING PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Coastal Erosion**

Sam Lemmo presented a background summary of the efforts of the Coastal Erosion subcommittee which was established to address the serious problems of shoreline erosion and beach loss currently affecting our state. Mr. Lemmo's presentation included a brief overview of the Coastal Erosion Management Plan (COEMAP). Chairperson Sakai suggested that the COEMAP report be distributed to the committee members.

Mr. Lemmo had no problem with Mr. Lum's request to have him brief the advisory group on a regular basis. Mr. Chung reported that Debra Tom of the CZM staff would be available to do the report if Mr. Lemmo is unavailable.

### **Water Quality**

June Harrigan from the Department of Health's Environmental Planning Office presented a summary of the proposed amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rule, Chapter 11-54, relating to Water Quality Standards. An Executive Summary of the proposed amendments, Explanations for the 2001 Proposed Water Quality Standards Amendments and A Public Guide on Hawaii's Water Quality Standards were distributed to the members for their information.

Any questions or comments regarding these amendments can be sent via email to [k.henderson@eha.health.state.hi.us](mailto:k.henderson@eha.health.state.hi.us).

### **Ocean Resources Management Plan Implementation**

Jim Coon provided an update and presented a powerpoint presentation regarding the Ocean Summit. The presentation covered scheduled milestones with respect to pre- and post-summit workshops as well as the Ocean Summit in November 2002. Additional resource options are being explored to supplement CZM funds.

### **SUNSHINE LAW ORIENTATION**

Deputy Attorney General John Chang briefed the members on the Sunshine Law. A memorandum dated October 13, 2000 from the Department of the Attorney General detailing the sunshine law and procedures for conducting state board and commission meetings was distributed to the members. Mr. Chang reported that a person convicted of a willful violation of the Sunshine Law may be fined up to \$1,000 and imprisoned for up to one year. Mr. Chang addressed concerns and questions on the differences between an advisory board as opposed to a policy making board. Because this is an advisory group and not a policy-making board, Mr. Chang reported that executive sessions for this advisory group can be held to consult with the deputy attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities. Although investigative committees do not need to follow the sunshine law, they need to be specific in nature. The specific investigative committee can report back to the advisory group but action cannot be taken until the next meeting. Standing committees established by the advisory group are subject to the Sunshine Law and must post an agenda notice to allow public participation.

### **Establishment of Committees**

Following a discussion of potential options for the establishment of committees and working groups, Jim Coon moved that the advisory group establish three committees -- (1) ocean

resources management plan (ORMP), (2) coastal erosion, and (3) water quality. The motion was amended by Arnold Lum to require a representative from the advisory group to sit on each committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **Establish Regular Meeting Schedule & Locations**

Due to funding constraints, there will be only six meetings held each year. Discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of having meetings held in each county inasmuch as there may be more cost in funding the outer island meetings. Decisions as to where future meetings will be held will be discussed at the next meeting.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting which will be held on Oahu is scheduled on for Wednesday, February 13, 2002, from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.