

Hawai'i Ocean Resources Management Plan Working Group

Meeting Summary

State Office Tower 4th Floor Conference Room

April 2, 2009; 9 a.m. – 12 noon

Members Present:

Thorne Abbot (Planning, Maui)
Grant Arnold (OHA)
Jim Coon (MACZAC)
Steve Frano (NOAA OCRM)
Marnie Meyer (OP/CZM)
Dana Okano (Planning, Hawaii)
Chris Ostrander (UH/HiOOS)
Lisa Ellen Smith (Planning, Kauai)
Adam Stein (NOAA PSC)
Jean Tanimoto (NOAA PSC)
Barry Usagawa (BWS)
Dean Watase (DOT/Harbors)

Others Present:

Maxine Burkett (UH Sea Grant /Law/
ICAP)
Michael Cain (DLNR/OCCL)
Lindsey Casper (USACE)
Linda Colburn (Facilitator)
Ruby Edwards (OP)
Scott Glenn (UH)
Shichao Li (OP/CZM)
Ann Ogata-Deal (OP/CZM)
Peter Rappa (UH Sea Grant)
Doug Tom (OP/CZM)

Welcome/Opening Remarks

Guest speakers from the UH Sea Grant College Program and representatives from USCOE, DLNR-OCCL, and OP were present.

Integrated watershed management

Guest speaker Peter Rappa from the UH Sea Grant College Program made a presentation on integrated watershed management in Hawaii.

Center for Island Climate Adaptation and Policy

Guest speaker Maxine Burkett, from the UH Sea Grant College Program, the UH Richardson School of Law, and the new Director for the UH Center for Island Climate Adaptation and Policy (ICAP), made a presentation on the new Center.

Cross-sector caucuses

In order to take advantage of having Peter Rappa at the meeting, it was suggested that the members of the outreach and policy caucuses join either the watersheds or climate change groups this time. The policy caucus met briefly, then agreed to join the other 2 groups.

Summary: watersheds

There is great value in watershed coordination, a bottom up and top down approach to management, and the Community Development Plan process. Hudson's proposal to start meeting quarterly with an extended list of watershed agencies and NGOs will increase watershed coordination as well as community-based management efforts. The group would like to continue this discussion next month but in general likes the proposal.

Summary: climate change

There was not as much input from the Working Group on the climate change adaptation framework as had hoped. We want to have the draft framework done by June, so the caucus will continue working on what we have. We may be able to provide outreach and get support for the framework at the HCC conference in July.

Next steps

The next meeting will be on **Thursday, May 7th, 2009** @ the State Office Tower, 6th floor, from 9am-noon. Meeting agenda items to consider:

- Legislative update – federal and state
- Continue watershed coordination discussion
- Climate change framework
- Group composition
- Small group/caucus time will be provided