

Summary of Substantive Changes to the Waianae Sustainable Communities Plan

Ten issues or topics were identified by the community as needing to be addressed in the revised Waianae Sustainable Communities Plan. Those issues included in no order of importance:

- Homelessness/Affordable Housing
- Population Growth/Loss of Rural Character
- Lack of Transportation Options/Farrington Highway
- Military Land Use
- Support for Agriculture
- Recreational Parks
- Jobs/Unemployment/Economics
- Proposed Light Industrial Area
- Implementation
- Native Hawaiian Culture

A brief summary of major issues, recommended changes, and a brief analysis of the proposed changes to the Waianae Communities Plan are shown in the following table. A more complete description of the changes and analyses of the changes is found in the Waianae Communities Plan Technical Report dated October 2010.

Also changes to the Plan's format were made for more consistency and standardization in the presentation among the eight Development and Sustainable Communities Plans.

Brief Summary of Major Changes

Issue	Recommended Change	Analyses
Relationship of sustainability to the Plan	Incorporates sustainability language into the Plan.	Responds to community concerns about the role of sustainability in the City land use planning system.
A culture-based Vision for the future of Waianae	Adds a new Vision statement and an explanation of the meaning of the Vision Statement and the Native Hawaiian connection to the land.	Responds to community concerns for a Vision statement based on the host culture of Native Hawaiians.
Population growth; the loss of rural character; General Plan population distribution	Adds language with a description of population concern and importance of rural values. Adds policy on no increase in residential lands. Adds policy on development of rural infrastructure standards.	Addresses community concern to keep Waianae rural and on the increasing demands on infrastructure capacity.
Consistency of boundary name among plans	Changes name from Rural Community Boundary to Community Growth Boundary.	Brings consistency in the boundary name among the eight Development and Sustainable Communities Plans.
More employment opportunities in the community	Adds a vision element and policy to support community-based businesses and viability of the Makaha Resort. Supports a light industrial park in Lualualei.	Responds to community concern to emphasize economic development and job creation particularly a light industrial park.
More local control and management of Waianae's natural and cultural resources	Adds a vision element and policies that government agencies should partner with community organizations to better manage the community's resources.	Responds to community concern to support more local control and management of their resources.
Loss of farms and support for diversified agriculture	Revises language to highlight the problem and updates agricultural data.	Responds to community concern about decreasing agricultural activity.
Homeless, hidden homeless, and affordable housing	Includes estimates of the homeless population and the need for social services from both public and private providers. Adds a policy of a more equal distribution of affordable housing projects around the island and of projects following the Waianae SCP policies.	Responds to community concern regarding increasing homeless population and capacity of infrastructure and public facilities to address their needs.

Impacts of outdoor lighting on the environment	Adds a policy on outdoor lighting necessary for public safety, energy conservation, and environmental protection.	Addresses impacts and mitigation of impacts of outdoor lighting to conserve energy and protect the environment as well as meet public safety needs.
Makaha Special Area Plan completed in 2009	Adds guidelines of the Makaha Special Area Plan such as relatively low density and low heights of future resort and residential developments, preservation of mauka and makai view planes, open space, and natural stream banks, opportunities for small-scale farming, and road circulation that addresses pedestrian safety and movement.	Reflects the results of the Makaha Special Area Plan to retain the character of Makaha Valley.
Support of mom-and-pop stores and local farmers	Adds a prohibition of “Big Box” stores.	Responds to community concerns to support local small stores and farmers.
Shortage of parks	Supports the proposed Nanakuli Regional Park and Hawaiian Cultural and Educational Parks.	Addresses the shortage of park acreage and the return of Waianae Regional Park land to the State.
Military land use	Elaborates on the policy to include the recommended transition from military to civilian use in the future	Responds to community concern to return military land to community use.
Transportation and Farrington Highway	Adds a policy for enhanced public transportation to include a future park and ride at the Waianae Transit Center and bus connections to the proposed Honolulu Rail Transit, clarification of the policy to establish an Emergency Bypass Road through Kolekole Pass, and narrative to have a Second Access Highway.	Responds to community concern for another way in and out of the Waianae Coast during emergencies and for another commuter route for daily use.
Rural infrastructure standards	Adds language to develop standards to maintain and reinforce a country feel and character.	Responds to community concern to retain the rural character of the Waianae District.
Implementation Matrix	Adds an implementation matrix which identifies implementing actions of policies and /or guidelines, implementing program and responsible agencies, and role of the agencies.	Responds to community concern on plan implementation, i.e., the actions and parties to carry out the plan.

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