GEOTHERMAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS *** A Seminar ***

at the

Kahului Library Conference Room Thursday, August 15, 1985 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The Board of Land and Natural Resources has designated a 4,108 acre area on the Southwest Rift of Haleakala as a geothermal subzone. To inform the public about geothermal development and its potential effects on Maui, a seminar will be held on August 15, 1985, at the Kahului Library Conference Room from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. There will be brief talks on different aspects of the geothermal issue followed by a question and answer period. Please join us.

> OPENING REMARKS Mayor Hannibal Tavares

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Takeshi Yoshihara

COUNTY PERMITTING PROCESS Ralph Masuda

LAND USE LAWS AND THE PERMITTING PROCESS Kenneth Kupchak

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Puna Geothermal Committee Nelson Ho

ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SITES IN THE HALEAKALA SUBZONE Charles Keau and Nathan Napoka

NATIVE HAWAIIAN PLANTS Rene Sylva

NATIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL PRACTICES Leslie Kuloloio

ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY Maui Electric Company

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May 22, 1985 MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD FROM: Dean Nakano SUBJECT: Public Information and Participation Meeting, Pahala, Hawaii On May 16, 1985, a second public information meeting on the proposed Pahala Geothermal Resource Subzone was held at the Kau High School and Pahala Elementary School Cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Manabu Tagomori, Manager-Chief Engineer of the Division of Water and Land Development. In attendance were approximately 35 people, most of whom are listed on the attached sign-in sheets. Manabu Tagomori presented background information on the geothermal subzoning process for those individuals who did not attend the earlier informational meeting held on March 14, 1985. Mr. Tagomori also described the proposed Pahala GRS and summarized the impact analyses conducted for that area. Dr. Don Thomas of the Hawaii Institute of Geophysics discussed the resource assessment process and defined the resource probability lines and the type of data utilized by the Geothermal Resource Technical Committee. A question and answer session was conducted and the comments received are summarized below: There is no justification for subzoning such a large area on the island of Hawaii when only 25 MW will be needed in the near future. The State should subzone only a little area at a time and increase the subzone size only as needed or upon review every five years. It is premature to subzone the Pahala area when there is sufficient acreage already subzoned in lower Puna. Why is Pahala being considered for designation when only a small area of the proposed GRS is contained within the 90% probability line? Industrial activity is incompatible with the surrounding area due to the close proximity of the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, and the Pahala GRS will create a severe intrusion upon the scenic view corridor along Highway 11.

- Geothermal development is in violation of the tenets of the religious practices to Pele. DLNR has no right to proceed any further until additional work and study has been made into the native Hawaiian communities. The organization Ka'Ohana O Kalae demands that an in-depth cultural study be made of Pele and people's belief and practices of Pele.
- Pele is against geothermal development in Hawaii as demonstrated by the current eruptive phases of Puu O'o.
- DLNR continues to abuse the Hawaiians, their land, religion and resources and forces them to become second class citizens in their own homeland.
- DLNR refuses to accept people's belief in Pele and continues to ignore the rights of the Hawaiians. DLNR displays great disrespect of the Hawaiian religion and the very thought of subzoning in this area is considered sacrilegious.
- There has been no in-depth discussion on how or where geothermal effluent will be discarded and if there will be any health hazards resulting from re-injection of these fluids.
- Why does the DLNR recommend this area when there is so much negative input and little support for the proposed GRS from the residents in the area.
- More funds and research should be spent on other forms of alternate energy sources such as solar, wind, bio-energy and hydro-electric resources.
- The whole subzoning process is predetermined and the decks are stacked in favor of the State and developers and not for the residents of the area.
- Geothermal development and the GRS was not designed for electrical production but rather for the purpose of processing manganese nodules which the residents of Hawaii don't want.
- The impact analysis and the subzone recommendation displays a lack of balance with respect to the 7 criteria outlined in Act 296, SLH 1983.
- The only recourse that the residents have and will use against the GRS designation will be a request for a contested case hearing at the time of the public hearing.

May 22, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM:

Dean Nakano

SUBJECT: Public Information and Participation Meeting,

Pahoa. Hawaii

On May 15, 1985, a second public information meeting on the proposed Kilauea Middle East Rift Geothermal Resource Subzone was held at the Pahoa Neighborhood Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Manabu Tagomori, Manager-Chief Engineer of the Division of Water and Land Development. In attendance were 31 people whose names are listed on the attached sign-in sheet.

Manabu Tagomori presented background information on the geothermal subzoning process for those individuals who did not attend the earlier informational meeting held on March 13, 1985. Mr. Tagomori also described the proposed geothermal resource subzone of the Kilauea Middle East Rift and summarized the impact analyses conducted for that

Dr. Donald Thomas of the Hawaii Institute of Geophysics discussed the resource assessment process and defined the resource probability lines and type of data utilized by the Geothermal Resource Technical Committee.

Mr. Tagomori stated that the proposed Department of Health Ambient Air Quality Standards quoted in the draft of Circular C-114 have subsequently been retracted by DOH for further study and that a new draft regarding air quality standards would be forthcoming. Mr. Tagomori also explained the BLNR's Decision and Order on the proposed subzone at Kahaualea, Hawaii and briefly discussed the requested land exchange proposal between the State of Hawaii and Campbell Estate.

A question and answer session was conducted and the comments received are summarized below:

- The BLNR Decision and Order (D/O) rendered on December 28, 1984 does not specifically state in writing that the proposed Kilauea Middle East Rift Geothermal Resource Subzone (GRS) will be retracted and become null and void if the land exchange is not consummated. There should be clarification in the D/O regarding the status of the proposed GRS if the land exchange is not consummated.
- DOWALD did not consider nor utilize the biological data of the Kilauea Middle East Rift that was presented by Jim Jacobi of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

Memo for the Record

- The proposed GRS containing 11,800 acres is unduly large and should be reduced in size, especially since the island of Hawaii will require only an additional 25 MW in the near future.
- Since the proposed GRS is a result of the contested case hearing on Kahaualea, why is 11,800 acres being recommended instead of only 5,300 acres as originally proposed for the Kilauea Upper East Rift GRS?
- Why doesn't the State subzone just a small area at a time and increase the size of subzones only as needed or upon review every five years?
- There needs to be a larger buffer zone between the proposed GRS and the Black Sand Subdivision to the south.
- All "negative" data or input is not being properly utilized in the assessment process.
- There has been no in-depth discussion on how or where geothermal effluent will be discarded and if there will be any heath hazards resulting from re-injection of these fluids.
- Why hasn't public participation been solicited with regard to input into the proposed land exchange when publicly owned State lands are involved?
- There should be no subzone designations or geothermal development over and above the needs of the island of Hawaii since the Deep Water Transmission Cable is not yet feasible.
- There is no justification for subzoning, either the Kilauea Middle East Rift or Pahala, when lower Puna can supply all the projected power requirements of the island of Hawaii.
- The BLNR would not designate subzones if it did not have every intention of automatically approving all subsequent permit applications submitted by the developer regardless of any negative input from the public.
- All decision by the BLNR are the results of effective lobbying by large companies or individuals with financial backing indicating a definite bias in their decision making.
- Subzoning efforts are designed for monetary gains. Subzones are not shaped or developed through public input or need, but is instead a pre-determined decision catering only to developer interests.



Memo for the Record -3-May 22. 1985 The only recourse that the residents have and will use against the GRS designation will be a request for a contested case hearing at the time of the public hearing. Mr. Tagomori thanked the audience for their participation and adjourned the meeting at 10:15 pm. DEAN NAKANO DN:ko Attach.

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Ka 'Ohana O Kalae P. O. Box 673 Na'alehu, Hawai'i 96772 May 16, 1985

HAND DELIVERED

Manabu Tagomori Manager-Chief Engineer Division of Water and Land Development

> RE: Statement of Ka 'Ohana O Kalae Presented As Testimony at May 16, 1985 Public Informational Meeting on the Proposed Pahala Geothermal Resource Subzone

Dear Mr. Tagomori and Staff:

Ka 'Ohana O Kalae is a grassroots organization that has been successful in their curatorship program of site preservation and perpetuation at South Point, a National Historic Landmark.

Our organization is comprised of our families, fellow Hawaiians, and friends. We are representative of the mana'o of the Native practitioners, those who practice and live the Native culture of Hawai'i.

Our purpose is to protect and perpetuate this culture which is founded upon interaction with our living environment, which has been perpetuated and ongoing for thousands of years.

To even consider geothermal development is in violation of the tenets of the religious practices to Pele. Your agency has no right to proceed any further until further work and study has been made in the Native Hawaiian communities.

Ka 'Ohana O Kalae demands that a sensitive, in-depth cultural impact study be made of the Pele people and their beliefs and practices of Pele.

We expect further consultation with your office on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Pele Hanoa

Ka 'Ohana O Kalae



JEWS RELEASE

Department of Land and Natural Resources Manabu Tagomori, 548-7533

May 8, 1985

The Department of Land and Natural Resources will conduct a public information and participation meeting concerning the following proposed geothermal resource subzones:

- Kilauea Middle East Rift Geothermal Resource Subzone,
 Wednesday, May 15, 1985, in Pahoa, Hawaii, Pahoa
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The purpose of these meetings is to identify potential impacts from geothermal development within and surrounding the proposed subzone areas. Areas of concern will include social and environmental impacts, economics, geologic hazards, land use compatibility, and potential for utilization. The public is invited to participate and comment on the impacts presented and to identify any other concerns. Written comments and information may also be sent to the Division of Water and Land Development, Department of Land and Natural Resources, P.O. Box 373, Honolulu, Hawaii 96809.

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE For Public Info Meetings in Pahoa and Pahala, Hawaii, May 15, and 16, 1985

(WED) 5-1-85	Call concerned parties to confirm date and time (County, State, etc.)
(FRI) 5-3-85	Send out "news release" to local newspapers (Advertiser and Hilo Tribune) to be printed in WED. edition on 5/8/85 (one week advance notice)
(FRI) 5-3-85	Reports (Kilauea S.W. & Middle East Rift) to be ready and set for printing.
(MON) 5-6-85	Reports printed and mailed out to interested parties. (10 days in advance of meeting)
(WED) 5-8-85	News Release printed in Wednesday issue of the Honolulu Advertiser and Hawaii Tribuen Herald.
(WED) 5-15-85	Leave for Hilo at 2:05 pm, Aloha 244 (Manabu); 8:45 am, Aloha 44 (Dean & Don) Phillips Rent-A-Car Stay at Naniloa Hotel (1 night, 5/15/85) and at Sea Mountain at Punaluu (1 night, 5/16/85)
	7:00 pm mtg. in Pahoa @ Pahoa Neighborhood Center.
(THU) 5-16-85	7:00 pm mtg. in Pahala @ Kau High & Pahala Elementary School Cafeteria.
(FRI) 5-17-85	Return at 3:45 p.m., Aloha Flt. 45

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PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE

- 1. Prepare "Public Hearing Notice"
- 2. Send down to Chairman's office for approval.
- 3. Upon receiving signature, send one copy to chairman's office, take another copy to newspaper of general circulation in the appropriate county. Be sure it will be published once a week for three successive weeks with the last notice being printed not less than ten days nor more than thirty days before the date set for the hearing.
- 4. Prepare agenda of public hearing for Chairman.
- 5. Notify appropriate county agencies, officials, and/or department personnel who would be directly involved in preparation or answering of questions for public hearing. Also notify any individual or organization directly affected or involved with the subject of the public hearing.
- 6. Prepare for public hearing
 - a. Sign-in sheets, handouts.
 - b. Microphone, ext. cord, etc.
 - c. Permission to use room/building; keys; etc.
 - d. Court reporter if needed.
- 7. Accept any written protests or other comments or recommendations up to fifteen days following the close of the public hearing.
- 8. Prepare board submittal, based on results of public hearing.
- 9. Publish Board's decision to designate, rescind, or modify areas in a newspaper of general circulation in the appropriate county.





George R. Ariyoshi Governor

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