



**CNHA Policy Center Announcement**  
**CONSULTATION COMMENT PERIOD**

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**Consultation Topic:** Resort & Timeshare Development Proposed by DHHL on Trust Lands  
The CNHA Policy Center announces this **Consultation Comment Period** to receive, record and report comments and input from community members and individuals interested and concerned about the Consultation Topic referenced above to its Policy Center Steering Committee of Member Organizations for compilation, analysis and sharing with relevant stakeholders.

**Statement of Consultation Topic:**

In June 2007, the State of Hawaii, through its Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and the Hawaiian Homes Commission, approved its Wailua Regional Plan, authorizing the pursuit of a commercial project consisting of a resort/timeshare development of up to 800 units on lands of the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust (Trust), located in Wailua on the island of Kauai, which are currently zoned by the County of Kauai as (O)pen and (A)griculture. Relevant language from DHHL's Plan states:

*"The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) has selected and designated the site for resort/timeshare or development because of its superior location."*

*"The Property is located along Kaua'i's eastern coastline; approximately six miles from Līhu'e, the island's urban center, and 203 [sic] miles from Kapa'a, which offers a large variety of dining and shopping opportunities."*

*"DHHL will seek a developer who is willing and able to provide a minimum of 200 single-family detached residences on a portion of a 309.3-acre parcel and a 70.7-acre parcel located in Wailua, Island of Kaua'i, Hawai'i, identified as Tax Map Key Nos. (4) 3-9-02; Parcels 12 and 25. These residences will be offered solely to DHHL's beneficiaries. In return for constructing these 200 residences, and over-sizing the infrastructure to accommodate up to 600 residences, DHHL will offset the lease rent for a 50.6-acre parcel that the developer may use to construct a timeshare/resort, or other commercial venture."*

-Excerpted from DHHL's Wailua Regional Plan, page 14.

The DHHL approach, in general, would lease Trust lands under a long-term lease for commercial development to a private developer with the intent of constructing a resort/timeshare project owned and managed by the private developer. In exchange for the lease and development rights to the specified Trust lands, and in lieu of lease payments, the developer will construct infrastructure for up to 600 residential homes and have the development rights to at least 200 residences on other Trust lands for beneficiary occupancy. At the June 2007 Hawaiian Homes Commission meeting, DHHL announced its intent to issue a Request for Proposals to interested developers in September 2007.

**Consultation Comment Period:**

Consultation is a cornerstone to the federal and state policies of self-determination and public trust management of Native Hawaiian assets and resources. Consultation practices recognize and value the knowledge and input of beneficiaries of the Trust that are the priority of that Trust. The CNHA Policy Center is accepting Consultation Comments on the topic described for compilation and distribution. The Comment Period is open **August 1, 2007**, through **September 30, 2007**.

**Additional Information on the Consultation Topic:**

The DHHL Wailua Regional Plan was approved by DHHL on June 19, 2007, and made available to the public via on July 26, 2007. You may obtain a copy by contacting DHHL at 808.586.3836, or visiting the DHHL website at <http://hawaii.gov/dhhl/publications/regional-plans>. You may also request a copy from CNHA by calling 808.521.5011 or e-mailing [policy@hawaiiancouncil.org](mailto:policy@hawaiiancouncil.org).

**Consultation Comments & Responses:**

1. Do you support Trust Lands being leased to private developers to own and operate resort/timeshare projects? Check one:

- No** – Trust lands should not be leased for resort or timeshare projects.
- Unsure** - Not enough information has been made available by DHHL on the project described in this *Consultation Comment Period* announcement.
- Maybe** – I might or might not support the development. It depends on the terms of the lease, the characteristics of the development, the conditions required of the developer to include beneficiary cultural, economic and community opportunities and/or other conditions important to the overall beneficiary community and/or non-beneficiary community.
- Yes** – I support the development as described with no other comments, recommendations, or conditions on DHHL or the private developer.

2. At the June 2007 Hawaiian Homes Commission meeting, DHHL announced its intent to issue a Request for Proposals to interested developers in Sept. 2007. Do you support this timeline?

- No**                       **Yes**

3. Please provide any written comments you would like to make on the consultation topic. Please feel free to attach additional sheets.

4. Please check *all that apply*:

- I am a resident of the State of Hawaii.
- I am Native Hawaiian.
- I am eligible for Hawaiian Home Lands.
- I am a Hawaiian Homestead Lessee.
- I am a resident on Hawaiian Home Lands.

5. Contact Information: *Optional*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

- My name may be published in any consultation report along with any responses I have provided.
- Please subscribe me to CNHA's Electronic Resources to receive informational announcements as well as the CNHA Mailing List to continue to be informed on issues impacting the Native Hawaiian community.