



COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

HAWAII ENERGY POLICY FORUM

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SOCIAL & CULTURAL IMPACT WORKING GROUP ACTION PLAN

TEN POINT PLAN #6: ENCOURAGE
CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE &
SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PLANNING & #9:
ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT,
PRODUCTION & USE OF BIOFUELS

GOALS

- AVOID CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ENERGY PRODUCTION PLANTS ON SPECIALLY-IDENTIFIED CULTURAL SITES
- ADVOCATE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF PROVEN BIOFUEL PRODUCTION MODEL
- IDENTIFY PROVEN MODELS FOR ENERGY PRODUCTION/USE EMANATING FROM INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

GOALS

- PROVIDE INCENTIVES/OPPORTUNITIES FOR NATIVE HAWAIIANS TO BE STAKEHOLDERS IN ENERGY PRODUCTION
- ADDRESS ENERGY REQUIREMENTS TO BUILD SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES IN HAWAI`I
- IDENTIFY AREAS IN WHICH ENERGY POLICY PLANNING SHOULD BE INFLUENCED BY CULTURE/ CULTURAL PRACTICES

REASONS TO ACT

- ENERGY PRODUCTION FACILITIES OFTEN HAVE SITE-SPECIFIC DETRIMENTAL COMMUNITY IMPACTS
- ENERGY INEFFICIENCY IS INCONSISTENT WITH HAWAIIAN CONCEPT OF SUSTAINABILITY
- FACILITY SITING OFTEN PITS AFFLUENT URBAN/SUBURBAN COMMUNITIES AGAINST POOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- CULTURAL SITES ARE NOT DISTURBED WHEN POWER GENERATION PLANTS ARE BUILT
- SOCIAL & CULTURAL ISSUES ARE IDENTIFIED & ADDRESSED IN ENERGY PLANS & POLICIES
- NATIVE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY BECOMES STAKEHOLDERS IN CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE ENERGY PRODUCTION & DISTRIBUTION

INDICATORS/METRICS

- AREAS IN WHICH ENERGY PRODUCTION FACILITIES SHOULD NOT BE PLACED ARE CHARTED
- COMMUNITY OUTREACH PLAN IS DEVELOPED
- A CITER MODEL OR SIMILAR TOOL IS ACCEPTED BY INDUSTRY & POLICY MAKERS
- A DEMONSTRATION SITE IS SELECTED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE ENERGY POLICY

ACTIONS TAKEN OR UNDERWAY

- “WHITE PAPER” ON ENERGY CONSERVATION/PRODUCTION USING INDIGENOUS SUSTAINABILITY MODELS
- “WHITE PAPER” ON INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES AS STAKEHOLDERS IN EFFICIENT ENERGY USE/PRODUCTION
- FORMULATE POLICIES & PROCEDURAL FRAMEWORKS TO INCLUDE EVALUATION OF SOCIAL & CULTURAL IMPACTS ON ENERGY PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT

ACTIONS TAKEN OR UNDERWAY

- ESTABLISH COMMUNITY BENEFITS PROCESS TO ADDRESS CONCERNS OF BURDENED COMMUNITIES
- ENGAGE HAWAIIAN & BROADER COMMUNITY IN SELECTION OF CULTURAL APPROPRIATE SITES FOR ENERGY PRODUCTION & DISTRIBUTION
- CREATE PROCESS TO PROTECT NATIVE RIGHTS & PRACTICES WHEN ENERGY PROJECTS ARE DEVELOPED

ACTIONS TAKEN OR UNDERWAY

- CREATE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO EMPOWER COMMUNITIES AS STAKEHOLDERS IN NEW TECHNOLOGIES & ENERGY SELF-SUFFICIENCY
- DEVELOP STRATEGIC ALLIANCE WITH OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS ON ENERGY POLICY & CULTURAL SITE ID
- CONVENE OHA-HEPF WORKING GROUP ON ENERGY POLICY PLANNING & CULTURAL SITE ANALYSIS

ACTIONS TAKEN OR UNDERWAY

- CONVENE LOCAL UTILITIES, OHA, SHPD & HAWAIIAN ORGS & PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERS
- ACTION TAKEN: FACTS INC. (ON BEHALF OF HEPF, HNEI & OHA) PREPARED LNG/CNG STUDY