



Bridging Communities and Government Workshop

Kahalu'u Room 1 & 2
Outrigger Keauhou Beach Resort
78-6740 Alii Drive
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740
Sunday August 24, 2008
8:30 am – 4:00 pm

A. Introduction

Community-based resource management refers to management systems that rely on a community of users to manage or assist government in the management of a resource, in this context, ocean and coastal resources. It is a term which may be used to refer to both traditional management systems and also contemporary or modern management systems. In Hawaii and other the U.S. pacific islands, numerous examples of community-based management initiatives exist, each addressing similar marine issues and concerns however, utilizing unique methods, resources and strategies.

B. Goals and Objectives of the Workshop

The overarching goal of the workshop is to provide a forum for community groups and government and non-governmental organizations to share information about their initiatives, strategies and techniques for enhancing conservation and management of natural and cultural resources in the marine environment. In order to achieve this goal, the workshop will address the following objectives: (1) showcase the diversity in marine conservation and management projects undertaken by U.S. Pacific Island communities, and highlight the various operational models and partnerships of success; (2) highlight the unique circumstances and events which prompted communities to organize to take action; (3) identify common obstacles and challenges to community-based management initiatives and solutions to overcome them; and (4) identify resources available to support and enhance community-based initiatives.

B. Workshop Output/Products

In addition to providing a forum to share information and strategies on enhancing conservation and management of natural and cultural resources, the workshop's products will include specific recommendations from participants on how government agencies and partners can better support community-based conservation, management and educational initiatives.

C. Presentation Format

The workshop will be organized into three separate panel sessions. Each panel will include presentations by invited community groups engaged in site specific, community-based marine and coastal conservation initiatives. This may include initiatives to enhance fisheries management and compliance, marine education and outreach, or restoration of marine and coastal habitats and cultural sites and resources. Given that communities have taken various approaches to address marine conservation and management issues based on their own particular set of circumstances, the panels will be organized into will be organized into the following three categories:

Panel 1: Communities with Formal Governmental Recognition, Assistance or Support

This panel includes groups that have been established in response to or in support of a statutorily authorized fishery management area or community-based marine management initiative. This may also include community groups who are provided administrative, logistical and/or technical support from local, state or federal agencies in carrying out their initiative.

Panel 2: Communities with Less Formal Governmental Recognition, Assistance or Support

This panel includes communities that are funded or supported in part or through a state or federal governmental partnership or program.

Panel 3: Communities without Governmental Recognition, Assistance or Support

This panel includes communities who are working independently outside of a government partnership or program.

A total of three presentations will be given in each panel session. Each presenter will be provided to a total of 20 minutes for presentation followed immediately by a 5 minute question and answer period. Each invited community will be asked to address the following topics and issues in their presentation:

1. A description of the geographic location of the project/initiative, including natural and cultural resources, demographics, key historical information, etc.
2. Identification of key objectives of the project/initiative as well as key partners. If the community is supported by government agencies, please describe the relationship.
3. A description of the primary reason(s) for undertaking the project/initiative.
4. A description of the activities that your community has, is currently conducting, or plans to conduct in the near future.
5. A description of major milestones or successes of the project and the contributing factors to these successes.

At the end of each panel session, there will be a 30 minute facilitated question and answer session intended to obtain specific information from speakers on how government agencies and partners can better support and enhance community-based initiatives. The findings from these sessions will be reported to the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force which will convene starting Wednesday August 27, 2008 at the Outrigger Keauhou Beach Resort.



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Final Agenda

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| 8:30 am | Opening – Hawaiian Blessing | Kahu, Kehau Hori & La‘a Mana Halau ‘Oli |
| 8:50 am | Welcome and Introductions | Jarad Makaiau |
| Panel 1: | Communities with Formal Governmental Recognition, Assistance or Support
[Session Reporter: Jarad Makaiau] | |
| 9:00 am | West Hawaii Fisheries Council | Glennon Gingo |
| 9:25 am | American Samoa Community-based Fishery Management Program | Selaina Vaitautolu |
| 9:50 am | Hawaii ‘Aha Kiole | Hugh Lovell
Timothy Bailey |
| 10:15 am | Facilitated Question/Answer Session (30 minutes) | Kuumealoha Gomes |
| 10:45 am | Break (15 minutes) | |
| Panel 2: | Communities with Less Formal Governmental Recognition, Assistance or Support
[Session Reporters: Petra MacGowan & Jason Philibotte] | |
| 11:00 am | Ewa Beach Limu Restoration Project | Henry Chang Wo |
| 11:25 am | Mālama Maunaloa | Alyssa Miller |
| 11:50 am | Hā‘ena Subsistence Fishery Management Area | Jeff Chandler |
| 12:15 pm | Facilitated Question/Answer Session (30 minutes) | Kuumealoha Gomes |
| 12:45 pm | Lunch (1 hour) | |

Panel 3: Communities without Governmental Recognition, Assistance or Support
[Session Reporter: Melissa Iwamoto]

1:45 pm	Ho‘okena Community	Damien Kenison
2:10 pm	Hui Mālama o Mo‘omomi	Kelson Poepoe
2:35 pm	‘Ao ‘ao O Nā Loko I‘a O Maui	Joylynn Paman
3:00 pm	Facilitated Question/Answer Session (30 minutes)	Kuumealoha Gomes
3:30 pm	Audience Question/Answer Session (10 minutes)	Kuumealoha Gomes
3:40 pm	Closing Remarks	Jarad Makaiau
3:45 pm	Networking Period	All Participants
4:00 pm	Pau Ka Hana	
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Traditional Ecological Knowledge Workshop Sharing Session	