

# we are WEST MAUI

## WEST MAUI COMMUNITY PLAN

### Interview Summary Quotes

Here are some notable statements made by interviewees.

The former pineapple and sugarcane lands are a major water pollution problem because streams carry legacy sediment and pollutants into the ocean. We need to protect gulches from future development and restore areas along streams.

The Aha Moku is keeping traditions alive. We need to incorporate values of tradition for managing resources and growth - look to the past to go forward - understand a region's history - how resources were used and cared for.

Rising sea level, which will cut off access to West Maui in the near future, is a critical challenge.

There is so much resistance to change. We need to imitate the successes of other places when it comes to planning and resource protection and restoration.

Pali to Puamana region is a priority. We need to move highway mauka and restore shoreline ecosystems and wetlands.

In an emergency with no access over the pali, west Maui could be cut off from the rest of the island because there would be few options for access.

No more luxury development.

Commercial uses overwhelm public areas and make it difficult for residents to enjoy the ocean.

We need to avoid building only for the luxury housing market. It is hard to keep affordable homes affordable because of speculative market.

Olowalu is an opportunity to preserve a functioning watershed and provide a learning opportunity.

Multi-family housing will be the wave of the future because single family housing is too expensive. Multi-family needs to be designed to be livable and attractive.

Need many types of housing to address all needs of the community - transient workers, low-wage workers, managers, etc.

Planning and development should focus on quality of life - more is not necessarily better.

We need infill rather than sprawl.

West Maui used to be a whole community, but is now very dependent on Central Maui. West Maui needs to be more self-sustaining without sacrificing the area's integrity.

Maintaining a sense of place of being in Hawaii and creating respect for the host culture are important.

West Maui has a lot of willing partners, key players, and collaborative groups. People are heavily invested. We need to focus on the future.

Housing to solve traffic, homelessness, and the need for stable resident employees.

There is a disconnect with natural resources. We need an inventory of natural resources and assets to develop a carrying capacity.

People plan their lives around the traffic.

Preserve large areas of open space.

There needs to be a comprehensive look at how to deal with transportation - car sharing, use of shuttles, etc. We cannot keep adding cars to the road.