

# we are WEST MAUI

WEST MAUI COMMUNITY PLAN

## Transportation



### Event

Leaders from the State of Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT), Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Maui Hotel & Lodging Association, and the County Department of Transportation presented on topics including transportation funding, planned projects, long range planning, traffic challenges, and public transit. Members of the public also participated in a Q&A session with the panelists.

### Presentations

**Ford Fuchigami, Director, HDOT**, presented on HDOT's current funding levels.

**Ed Sniffen, Deputy Director, HDOT**, reviewed planned projects for West Maui.

**Lauren Armstrong, Executive Director, Maui MPO**, discussed the spending of Maui's Federal transportation funding.

**Lisa Paulson, Executive Director, Maui Hotel & Lodging Association**, presented on West Maui's traffic challenges from the tourism industry perspective.



### Q&A Session

Among the many questions and comments raised, major themes included:

- plan for limited growth, given infrastructure limitations
- plan for the West Maui **community** only
- people want to live where they work
- infrastructure should be prioritized for affordable housing, not luxury housing, commercial, or industrial development

Other concerns included:

- need to maintain access to rest of island
- Lahaina Bypass – concern for maintaining open space and access to the shoreline
- no tunnel

