

9 | PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES

9.1 PARKS AND RECREATION

The County of Maui Department of Parks and Recreation is responsible for the development, operation, and maintenance of county park facilities. The State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) has jurisdiction over State Beach Parks, Natural Area Reserves and other managed lands. The National Park Service manages Kalaupapa.

Moloka`i's developed parks and open spaces that include tot lots, sports courts, a gymnasium, pool and athletic fields. The facilities range in scale from just under an acre to over two hundred acres.

One of the most significant issues facing the county's park system on Moloka`i is the lack of an overall plan for parks and recreation facilities. ~~Although the island's park system is modest in scope, it~~ will be difficult to meet the needs of current and future residents without a master plan that documents the island's needs and provides a direction for planning, maintenance, and development. Another notable issue that ~~was raised at the community plan workshops in 2010~~ the Community Plan should address is public access to shoreline areas, ~~an issue that was raised at the community plan workshops in 2010.~~

A. EXISTING CONDITIONS

Moloka`i currently has 14 County parks and facilities, including the Cooke Memorial Pool, three Community Centers, six community parks, and five neighborhood parks. Despite an abundance of park space, most parks do not provide park amenities that are typically found in developed parks. This may be because many existing parks are designed to serve beach park requirements rather than community needs for recreation. Maui County also manages the use of Community Centers which are available to the public for meetings, social gatherings, or other events. The Community Centers are public and ADA accessible.

Park and recreation facilities on the East End's south shore include two public access rights-of way to the beach, three day parks, an athletic field with a community center, and two access trails to public hunting areas. There are a number of privately owned beach accesses that are in general public use that do not qualify as publicly managed facilities.

Despite miles of shoreline on the East End, public access with adequate facilities is limited. Even though there is relatively low population in the East End, ~~the many~~ island residents, as well as a growing numbers of tourists use this area for coastal recreation. The only public boat ramp is over ten miles away at the Kaunakakai Wharf.

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Figure 9.1 Moloka`i Public Parks

NAME OF PARK	LOCATION	OWNERSHIP	PARK TYPE	SIZE (acres)
Pala`au	Central	State	State Park	233.70
Cooke Memorial Pool	Kaunakakai	County	Community Park	.50
Duke Maliu Regional Park	Central	County	Community Park	10.00
Halawa Park	East end	County	Neighborhood Park	1.00
Kakahaia Park	Central	County	Neighborhood Park	0.80
Kaunakakai Ball Park	Kaunakakai	County	Community Park	6.47
Kaunakakai Lighthouse/MalamaPark	Kaunakakai	County	Special Area	3.35
Kilohana Community Center	Kaunakakai	County	Community Park/Community Center	7.60
Kualapuu Park & Community Center	Central	County	Community Park/Community Center	6.77
Maunaloa Subdivision Park	West end	County	Neighborhood Park	2.00
Maunaloa Community Center	West end	County	Neighborhood Park/Community Center	3.00
Mitchel Pauole Community Center	Kaunakakai	County	Community Center	8.78
One Ali`i Park		County	County Park	11.00
Papohaku Beach Park	West end	County	Beach Park	10.40
Pu`u Hauole Park	Kaunakakai	County	Neighborhood Park	1.30
TOTAL ACRES				306.67

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Source: "Public Facilities Assessment Update County of Maui." March 9, 2007. R.M. Towill Corporation, Honolulu, Hawaii

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One of the most critical issues is that the Department of Parks and Recreation does not have a comprehensive park and recreational facilities plan. Without such a plan, it is difficult to prioritize projects or to initiate improvements in a systematic way. ~~Also, the The Parks d~~Department typically initiates development projects on the basis of its annual six-year capital program budget, ~~updated on an annual basis, rather than a long-term plan.~~ Development of a A parks and recreation master plan would identify community needs, ~~and identify~~ priorities, provide a vision for the future, and ~~define-produce~~ a capital improvement program that is based on a rational assessment of long-term community needs.

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The State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) manages approximately one million acres of land, which can be divided into roughly three categories: (1a) land ~~where that~~ the public is actively invited to recreate ~~in (e.g. such as~~ State parks); (2b) land ~~where that~~ the public is not actively invited ~~to recreate in~~, but ~~openly where it is known that the public~~ utilizes ~~the land (e.g. such as~~ forestry area reserves and unencumbered State land); and (3c) land ~~where that~~ the public does not enter ~~(e.g. such as~~ inaccessible watershed areas). Through the Na AlaHele trail and access system, the State makes many of its conservation lands available to residents and visitors. These trails invite the public to enjoy some of the most intimate and pristine places of the County. There is one trail on Moloka`i, four ~~are~~ on Lāna`i/Lanai and 16 trails ~~are~~ on Maui.

B. ISSUES

Issue 1: It is difficult to plan for future park and recreation improvements because there is no current assessment of community needs ~~, for Moloka`i's parks, facilities, and recreation programs.~~

Issue 2: There is a need for more community involvement such as coaches and volunteers to support ~~are an insufficient number of~~ recreational youth programs ~~, especially for children~~[PP1].

Issue 3: Some of Moloka`i's parks and recreational facilities are in disrepair and in need of regular maintenance and improvements to meet the community's needs. Currently there are only two staff positions responsible for maintenance and repair of all of Moloka`i's facilities and parks[PP2].

Issue 4: Moloka`i has a wealth of open spaces, trails, parks, and cultural sites but access to some sites is difficult or blocked.

Issue 5: Malama Park has the potential to be a key cultural and community place but is now in disrepair.

Issue 6: ~~There is no boat ramp access in East Molokai.~~

C. GOAL, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES, ACTIONS

1 **GOAL** Moloka`i will have a full range of public facilities, recreational opportunities, and
2 programs that meet the current and future needs of the island’s residents and
3 visitors.
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- 9 1. ~~Establish and cultivate~~Support a systematic approach to planning and improving
10 the island’s parks, facilities, and recreation programs.
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13 facilities to meet the present and future needs of residents of all ages and physical
14 abilities.
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16 3. ~~Improve~~Support ~~improving~~ the quality and adequacy of community facilities ~~to~~
17 ~~ensuring~~ that they are clean and well maintained, and that there is an adequate
18 supply of public restrooms in convenient locations.
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20 4. Require the dedication of land and development of usable park sites as part of the
21 approval of development of new ~~single-family residential and mixed-use areas in the~~
22 ~~mauka portion of Kaunakakai Town and Kamiloa.~~
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24 5. Ensure access to the island’s parks, trail systems, open spaces, and cultural sites
25 where appropriate and with government agencies working with private landowners
26 to address issues of liability.
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28 6. Support the improvement for recreational vessel boat ramp launch infrastructure
29 as needed by the community.
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31 7. Support improvements to Malama Park.
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33 8. Support public-private partnerships to provide park access and facilities.
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35 9. Support and expand the State Na Ala Hele trail system, including a coastal trail
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Table 9.1 Public Facilities and Services - Parks and Recreation			
No.	Action	Lead County Agency	Partners
9.1.01	Develop, adopt and regularly update a parks and recreation master plan that incorporates public facilities, parks, other recreational opportunities and a financial component.	Parks & Recreation	
9.1.02	Identify and acquire appropriate park sites in accordance with a parks and recreation functional plan.	Parks + Recreation	
9.1.03	Identify government public rights of way to determine if they can be incorporated into an island wide parks and recreation functional plan.	Parks + Recreation	Planning
9.1.04	Amend County zoning and subdivision ordinances to require the inclusion of park facilities into large master planned communities [DLM3].	Planning	
9.1.05	Amend development regulations to ensure the construction of adequate parking with pathways near public shoreline access points.	Planning	
9.1.06	Adopt a beach/mountain access dedication ordinance pursuant to <u>using Transfer Development Rights addressed in HRS Chapter 46, HRS</u> to improve access along the shoreline and mountains.	Planning	
9.1.07	Work with the Parks Department to develop a master plan that would identify improvements to Mitchell Paule Regional Park.	Parks & Recreation	
9.1.08	Provide shade for One Alii Park's playground area.	Parks & Recreation	
9.1.09	Based upon community need, consider a new boat launch ramp for recreational vessels to be located in East Moloka'i [DLM4]	Parks & Recreation	
9.1.10	Consider repurposing the Kilohana Park for a potential site to relocate and build a new Puko'o Fire Station.	Parks & Recreation	
9.1.11	Support Coordinate the land acquisition, planning, design, and construction of a new Kaunakakai Gymnasium and Athletic building that meets Moloka'i's unique sports needs and serves as a hardened civil defense community shelter for disasters.	Parks & Recreation	Civil Defense
9.1.12	Explore the acquisition and development of a management plan for a park facility at Kumimi Beach.	Parks & Recreation	
9.1.13	Explore state or county acquisition and development of park facilities at Kamalo and Dixie's.	Parks & Recreation	

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1 **9.2 POLICE**

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3 **A. EXISTING CONDITIONS**

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5 The Maui County Department of Police has only one main police station located in Kaunakaka'i.
6 Currently, the greatest challenge for the Police Department is recruiting new officers. The entire
7 island of Moloka'i comprises Maui Police Department District V. This police district is served by the
8 Moloka'i Station, with 29 budgeted uniformed patrol officers and an estimated share of nine
9 investigative officers. The district is divided into two motorized beats and each beat is patrolled by
10 a single officer.

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12 Based on population alone, the Moloka'i Community Plan region's current need is estimated at
13 approximately nine officers. However, given the remoteness of this island and large area requiring
14 police coverage, it is necessary to field more officers to ensure adequate police service. The current
15 number of officers slightly exceeds the estimate of need in the *Public Facilities Assessment*
16 published in 2007. The district has a projected need for 13 additional patrol officers by the year
17 2035. Currently, the greatest challenge for the Police Department is recruiting new officers.

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19 In 2004, the The Moloka'i Station received 6,751 calls in 2013 as compared to 6,854 in 2012.
20 There were 720 criminal arrests during the year. The district issued a total of 1,123 citations in
21 2013 as compared to 1,223 in 2012. 14,750 calls for service, or 169.9 percent per officer,
22 representing approximately 7.7 percent of total calls for service in the County. Based on
23 population alone, Moloka'i community lan-egionCPR's current need is estimated at approximately
24 nine officers. However, given the remoteness of this island and large area requiring police
25 coverage, it is necessary to field more officers to ensure adequate police service.

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27 Moloka'i District has a projected need for 13 additional patrol officers by the year 2035, as cited in
28 the 2007 *Public Facilities Assessment*. Police service on Moloka'i is determined to be adequate
29 through the study horizon of 2035. Animal control is aided by the Moloka'i Humane Society and
30 the Maui County Animal Welfare Coalition, a non-profit community services organization that
31 provides shelter, spay/neuter services, adoptions, sustenance, and humane education.

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34 **B. ISSUES**
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37 Issue 1: There is a lack of police response capabilities and facilities in the outer reaches of
38 Moloka'i's east and west ends.

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40 Issue 2: More police presence in the form of bicycle or foot patrol is needed in Kaunakaka'i.
41 [Per 2001 Moloka'i Community Plan]
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1 Maui Police Department Annual Report 2013, p 25

1 Issue 3: Substance abuse and domestic violence is a continuing problem on the island.

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3 Issue 4: The existing police station is presently located in a special flood hazard area and
4 tsunami evacuation zone. The current police station location also necessitates
5 emergency response through and in close proximity to congested areas such as
6 elementary schools, areas of heavily used parks and recreation facilities, and
7 Kaunakakai Town.
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12 **C. GOAL, POLICIES, ACTIONS**
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15 **GOAL** An effective and efficient police force to help maintainmake a safe,
16 peaceful and friendly community.
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18 **Policies:**

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20 1. ~~Explore the possibility of~~Support an expanded police presence in the east
21 and west ends of Moloka`i.
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23 2. Encourage the development, adoption and implementation of programs
24 that address substance abuse.
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26 3. ~~Maximize~~Encourage ~~M~~maximizeing the island's police resources to
27 properly enforce substance abuse laws.
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31 Support the placement of bicycle and/or foot patrol officers in Kaunakaka`i
32 as needed.
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36 Encourage involvement on the Police Commission by a Moloka`i
37 representative.
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39 6. Support the maintenance and development of Police facilities on Moloka`i
40 that meet the Maui Police Department's and community's needs.

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7. Encourage police involvement in the community.

8. Encourage and support the recruitment of police officers through the junior police officer program.

9. Provide training for new police recruits.

10. Encourage State hunter safety courses.

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Table 9.2 Public Facilities and Services - Police			
No.	Action	Lead County Agency	Partners
9.2.01	Coordinate with community organizations in their prevention and treatment efforts to reduce substance use and abuse.	Maui Police Department	<u>Community Organizations</u>
9.2.02	Continue working cooperatively with the Prosecutor's <u>Prosecuting Attorney's Office</u> and the <u>Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)</u> to enforce substance abuse laws.	Maui Police Department	<u>Prosecuting Attorney</u> <u>DEA</u>
<u>9.2.03</u>	Support the <u>Coordinate land acquisition, planning, design and construction of a new Moloka`i Police Station at a location that meets the unique needs of the Maui Police Department for Moloka`i, out of the special flood hazard area and tsunami evacuation zone and promotes practical and safe emergency response for the entire Moloka`i community.</u>	<u>Maui Police Department</u>	

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1 **9.3 FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

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 3 An adequate fire protection service, within close proximity to all populated areas, is necessary to
 4 protect life and property. The mission of the Maui County Department of Fire and Public Safety
 5 Control (DFC) also known as the Maui Fire Department (MFD) is "to protect and preserve life,
 6 environment, and property to protect life, the environment and property from fires, hazardous
 7 materials releases, and other life threatening emergencies." Its officers and equipment are used to
 8 fight and control fires, perform emergency rescue services, and provide community education on
 9 fire safety. MFD The Department of Fire and Public Safety is Maui County's first responder to public
 10 safety incidents and is often involved with land and water rescue.

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 12 **A. EXISTING CONDITIONS**

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 14 Three fire stations serve the Island. The newly constructed Kaunakaka`i Station, newly
 15 constructed, replaced the existing facility in 2010 and is located on Alanui Ka Imi Ike Ala Malama
 16 Street in Kaunakakai and is responsible for the Kaunakakai area. The Ho`olehua Station covers
 17 Ho'olehua, Kaulapu`u, Kalae, Kaluakoi, and Maunaloa. The Puko'o Station is located on
 18 Kamehameha V Highway, at the east end of the island and covers from Kamalo to Halawa Valley.
 19 The Puko`o Fire Station is currently a sub-station of Kaunakakai with only two personnel assigned
 20 per shift, which is below national and Maui County standards for minimum fire company staffing
 21 standards.

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Figure 9.3 Fire Protection Facilities			
Name	Type*	Location	2005 Population Served*
Kaunakakai Fire Station #4	<u>T, E Tanker, Engine</u>	<u>130 Ainoa Street Kaunakakai</u>	3,564*
Ho'olehua Fire Station #9	<u>E Engine</u>	<u>2190 Farrington Highway</u>	1,782*
Puko'o Fire Station #12	<u>E Engine</u>	<u>Kamehameha V Hwy</u>	1,782*

24 Source: *Public Facilities Assessment Update County of Maui 2007*

25 *Notes: Moloka`i population split is 50% to Kaunakakai, 25% to Ho'olehua ~~Hoolehua~~, 25% to Puko'o
 26 Type: E=Engine; L=Ladder; T=Tanker; R=Rescue

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 28 MFD The Department of Fire & Public Safety is presently completing a "Standards of Cover" report
 29 that is expected to be finished summer 2015. This report will assess the adequacy of the current
 30 level of fire service coverage. This is the first time that such a report has been compiled. This
 31 research will attempt to address the expectations of the citizens, MFD fire department and County
 32 Government in terms of level of fire service needed. Other factors critical to providing the adequate
 33 level of fire service is the level of funding available.

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2 With regard to fire service for the East End, MFD has a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with
3 the State of Hawaii to lease the current parcel where the Puko'oPukee Fire Station is located.
4 The facility is over 80 years old, in disrepair and sits in a tsunami and hurricane inundation zone.
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7 **B. ISSUES**
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10 Issue 1: A large number of residential areas of Moloka`i are not covered by existing fire
11 stations.
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13 Issue 2: The southern and southwestern facing slopes of the entire island of Moloka`i are
14 at high risk for fire, especially in developed areas. There is a fire risk above
15 Manila Ranch Camp
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17 Issue 3: There would be a lack of fire coverage on the West End if future growth occurs.
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19 Issue 4: Staffing at the Puko`o Fire Station is below national and Maui County minimum
20 standard.
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22 Issue 5: The existing Puko`o Fire Station is presently located in a flood and tsunami
23 inundation zone.
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27 **C. GOAL, POLICIES, ACTIONS**
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30 **GOAL** Protect life, property and the environment by providing effective and
31 efficient fire protection and rescue services for the island of Moloka`i.
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33 **Policies:**
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37 1. Evaluate the results of the 2015 "Standards of Cover" report due to be
38 completed summer 2015. Address fire service needs as indicated in the
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2. Evaluate options to relocate the Puko`oPukee Fire Station out of the tsunami and hurricane inundation zone and in a manner that meets fire services as needed on the east end.
3. ~~Work with the Maui Fire Department to encourage~~Encourage programs and projects that will address fire risk above Manila Ranch Camp.
4. ~~Explore options for~~Support locating fire, safety, emergency and ocean rescue services on the West End as population increases warrants.
5. Support the maintenance and development of Fire facilities on Moloka`i that meet the Maui Fire Department's and community's needs.
6. Ensure that Maui Fire Department minimum staffing levels for Molokai meet the same national and Maui County minimum staffing levels as provided at other fire stations in Maui County.

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Table 9.3 Public Facilities and Services - Fire and Public Safety			
No.	Action	Lead County Agency	Partners
9.3.01	Develop a fire risk and vulnerability assessment for the area located above Kaunakakai.	Maui County Department of Fire Control (DFC) and Public Safety (MFD)	Moloka`i Ranch
9.3.02	Explore options for relocating <u>Puko'o Pukee F</u> ire <u>S</u> tation to a location that is not vulnerable to flooding, tsunamis and best meets the needs of east end residents.	<u>MFD</u> DFC	<u>Moloka`i Ranch</u>
<u>9.3.03</u>	<u>Support the staffing upgrade for the Puko`o Fire Station to meet the same national and Maui County minimum staffing levels as provided at the other fire stations in Maui County. Evaluate the results of the "Standards of Coverage" report and address recommended fire service needs.</u>	<u>MFD</u>	
<u>9.3.04</u>	<u>Implement and maintain the "Centers for Public Safety Excellence" accreditation program.</u>	<u>MFD</u>	
<u>9.3.05</u>	<u>Support the implementation of the accreditation program by creating one full time position. Level of effort for Moloka`i would be 15%.</u>	<u>MFD</u>	

1 **9.4 EDUCATION**
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4 The Hawaii ~~school system~~Department of Education is a statewide ~~system-school district~~ that
 5 manages all public schools in the state. The County of Maui does not have any jurisdiction over
 6 the public school system; however, coordination between the State and County is necessary for
 7 planning future school locations and acquiring adequate land.
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10 **A. EXISTING CONDITIONS**
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12 There are four public elementary schools, ~~grades K through 6,~~ on Moloka`i ~~are as follows:~~ ~~1a)~~
 13 Kaunakakai, ~~2b)~~ Kualapu`u, ~~3c)~~ Maunaloa, and ~~4d)~~ Kilohana (located in ~~Ho`olehua~~Ulapuaa). In
 14 Kualapu`u, Moloka`i High/Middle School is ~~the public school~~ for students in grades 7-12. ~~Aka`ula~~
 15 ~~is a private school with students in grades 5-12 located in Kualapu`u~~ [DLM5]. All of the public
 16 schools, except Moloka`i Middle, have adequate capacity to accommodate projected 2015 and
 17 2035 enrollment. Moloka`i Middle School’s 2035 enrollment is projected to exceed capacity;
 18 however, the overage could be accommodated by an increase in classrooms and facilities.
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20 Moloka`i High School has ~~five~~ career pathway programs of study: Arts and Communication,
 21 Business, Industrial and Engineering Technology, Health Services, and Agriculture; ~~however there~~
 22 ~~are no automotive programs, industrial arts, or fine art and musical arts programs.~~ The agriculture
 23 program and the Future Farmers of America, allow~~s~~ students to enjoy hands-on experiences in
 24 commercial, terrace, permaculture, hydroponic and aquaponic farming. ~~The agricultural program’s~~
 25 ~~infrastructure is underutilized.~~ Moloka`i High also offers Hawaiian language immersion, English as
 26 a second language, advanced placement, gifted and talented, honors, alternative learning
 27 center and special education programs². Enrollment in 2014 was 326 students, with 27 full-time
 28 teachers.

29 ~~Aka`ula is a private school with students in grades 5-12 located in Kualapu`u.~~ The Aka`ula School
 30 offers an alternative to public school that provides a, multi-age, transitional environment for
 31 Moloka`i students in grades five to twelve. They focus on a learning, leading, and decision making
 32 as fundamental collaborative processes³.

33 The University of Hawaii Maui College – Moloka`i Education Center (UHMC-Moloka`i) is located in
 34 Kaunakakai. UHMC-Moloka`i offers a Bachelor or Associate degree in Applied Sciences, an
 35 Associate in Arts, and Associate in Science degrees. There is a library and facilities for distance
 36 learning through Hawaii Interactive Television System, also known as Skybridge. The Skybridge

² Hawaii State Department of Education, <http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org>

³ The Aka`ula School, <http://akaulaschool.org/>

1 allows two-way interactive learning with-for students located on Moloka`i, Kahului, Hana, Lāna`i,
2 and Lahaina. There is also access to education through cable TV and the internet.

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4 The UH College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources Cooperative Extension Services
5 (CES) is located in Ho`olehua. It also has a demonstration research farm in the Molokai Agricultural
6 Park that shares facilities with UH Maui College Moloka`i Farm. CES programs focus on outreach
7 and continuing education in agriculture, cooperative and leadership development, and DHHL farm
8 development. The Kuha`o Business Development Center provides technical assistance and
9 entrepreneurship.

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12 **B. ISSUES**

15 Issue 1: Many people on Moloka`i do not have relevant technical knowledge or skills to
16 enter the 21st century workforce, acquire skilled jobs, or start their own business.

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20 **C. GOAL, POLICIES, AND ACTIONS**

24 **GOAL** Moloka`i will have Hhigh-quality educational facilities and programs that
25 accommodate the community's diverse learning needs.

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28 **Policies**

- 29 1. Support the expansion of facilities and programs at the UHMC-Moloka`iUniversity
30 of Hawaii Maui College, Moloka`i campus.
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32 2. Support an expanded array of adult education, post-secondary, vocational, English
33 as a second language, business, technical, professional, and career counseling
34 programs that prepare Moloka`i residents for future occupations and business
35 opportunities.
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37 3. Support adequate and affordable preschool facilities and programs.
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39 ~~4. Encourage major employers to support or provide English as a second language~~
40 ~~education for employees.~~

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4. Support expansion of high school vocational programs and development of a fine arts and cultural program.

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Table 9.4 Public Facilities and Services – Education			
No.	Action	Lead - County /Other	Partners
9.4.01	Work in partnership with all educational institutions to meet current and future needs including appropriate location, timing and design of future facilities.	DHHC	DOE UH Maui College
9.4.02	Continue to assess and fund adult and post-secondary education programs.	DHHC	DOE UH Maui College
9.4.03	Continue to assess and fund English as a second language classes.	DHHC	DOE
9.4.04	Assess need for additional pre-school services.	DHHC	DOE
9.4.05	Develop workforce development programs and internships.	OED	Employers
9.4.06	<u>Provide a program to explore career path options, including vocational programs.</u>	<u>OED</u>	<u>DOE</u> <u>UH Maui College</u> <u>Employers</u>
9.4.07	<u>Provide training for job preparedness, such as how to dress for work or resume writing.</u>	<u>OED</u>	<u>DOE</u> <u>UH Maui College</u>

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9.5 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

15 Moloka`i's health and social service needs are increased due to conditions on the island that
16 include: 1a) geographic isolation and high cost for/of off-island travel; 2b) low state rankings in
17 measurements of economic health, socio-economic stability and food security; 3c) high

1 unemployment ~~raterates; 4d) a reported 38% of residents living outside the usual social service~~
2 ~~network and high percentage of residents~~ relying on subsistence farming, hunting, and fishing;
3 and 5) language barriers⁴. Moloka`i has been designated a Medically Underserved Area and a
4 Health Professional Shortage Area for Primary Care, Dental Care and Mental Health, by the U.S.
5 Public Health Service. This designation brings some financial support, ~~which is combined with a~~
6 ~~sufficient market through population size~~, to help provide a broader array of services.

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12 **A. EXISTING CONDITIONS**

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14 Moloka`i's community is served by one hospital, two health centers, a Native Hawaiian health clinic,
15 and a full service pharmacy. The hospital and clinics work in partnership to provide inpatient and
16 outpatient medical and dental care, health education and screenings, mental and behavioral health
17 services, remote rural service, translation, and social services.

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19 Moloka`i General Hospital (MGH) is a general medical and surgical hospital located in
20 Kaunakakai with 15 beds, an emergency room, and urgent care clinic. The hospital provides
21 diagnostic and therapeutic imaging services, ~~both diagnostic and therapeutic~~, through a CT
22 scanner and ultrasound. In addition, the MGH provides community outreach through health
23 fairs, health screenings and a Meals on Wheels program. ~~A 2004n overall~~ demand analysis
24 ~~conducted in 2004~~ indicated no need for additional hospital beds through 2030 ~~ever beyond the~~
25 ~~currently 2004~~ licensed levels. ~~MGH Moloka`i General Hospital~~ no longer accepts long-term
26 care patients, ~~but does have a referral program~~.

27 Many of the hospital's preventive services to the Hawaiian community are offered in partnership
28 with Na Pu`uwai, Inc. a community-based non-profit Native Hawaiian organization. Na Pu`uwai,
29 Inc. was founded in 1985 ~~and incorporated as a non-profit in 1986~~ and is dedicated to betterment
30 of the health conditions of Native Hawaiians⁵.

31 In 2002, ~~Moloka`i Ohana Health Care (MOHC), doing business as~~ Moloka`i Community Health
32 Center (MCHC) applied for and received funding ~~through the U.S. Bureau of Primary Health Care~~
33 ~~under Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act~~ to develop a freestanding, centrally-located

⁴ Moloka`i Ohana Health Care Inc., referencing 2002 & 2003 Hawaii Health Surveys., <http://www.Moloka`i.chc.org/content/population-served>

⁵ Na Pu`uwai, Inc., <http://www.napuuwai.com/>

1 community health center providing core primary health care services⁶. ~~MCHC~~~~The Moloka`i~~
2 ~~Community Health Center~~ provides services that focus on the health care needs of a target
3 population that is 200% below the federal poverty guidelines. Moloka`i ranks 23rd as the fourth
4 ~~worst community~~, out of 27~~twenty-seven~~ communities statewide, for combined socio-economic
5 and maternal and child health risk⁷.

6 The Moloka`i Family Health Center provides family and general practice, and internal medicine
7 services. There are also private medical offices offering service in medicine, dental care,
8 optometry, and chiropractic care. The hospital, clinics, pharmacy, and offices are all located
9 within Kaunakakai, with some services to remote rural areas.

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13 **B. ISSUES**
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17 Issue 1: An increasing older and elderly population will increase health and social service
18 needs, including long-term care.
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20 Issue 2: The Island has immigrant communities with limited English language skills that
21 need health and social services in multiple languages.
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23 Issue 3: Behavioral and mental health, alcohol and substance abuse, obesity, domestic
24 violence, child abuse and ~~negligence~~~~neglect~~, and sexual abuse, is a concern.
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29 **C. GOALS, POLICIES, ACTIONS**
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33 **Goal** **Moloka`i will have a comprehensive, integrated health care system that**
34 **provides for the community’s health and well-being.**
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38 **Policies**

⁶ Ibid, Moloka`i Ohana Health Care Inc.

⁷ Ibid.

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1. Encourage the provision of enhanced medical, dental, behavioral, and mental health care, and social services for the community through qualified professionals located on Moloka`i.
2. Encourage partnerships in healthcare provision to expand healthcare professional access, and diversity in service, resources and locations.
3. Support studies to determine community needs and underserved locations and ensure equitable distribution of services.
4. Support public health education and assessment programs throughout the island.
5. Encourage expansion of full-time mental and behavioral health case management positions, psychologists and psychiatrists on island.
6. Support a disabled persons infrastructure system, that includes health and social programs for all ages, services for the frail elderly, assistance for home-modifications to support 'ageing in place', and long-term care facilities.
7. Support enhanced monitoring of care homes and transient facilities which provide services to mentally and physically disabled residents.
8. Encourage multi-modal transportation and recreation planning that increases opportunities for exercise through bike paths and pedestrian improvements.
9. Support wellness and nutrition training for residents.

Actions

Table 9.5 Public Facilities and Services – Health and Social Services			
No.	Action	Lead - County /Other	Partners
9.5.01	Conduct community needs surveys and allocate funding to expand the number and variety of social services.	DHHC	
9.5.02	Coordinate with transportation and recreation planners to increase bikeways and pedestrian opportunities for exercise.	DHHC <u>Parks & Recreation</u>	Public Works <u>Department of Recreation</u>

Table 9.5 Public Facilities and Services – Health and Social Services			
No.	Action	Lead - County /Other	Partners
9.5.03	Coordinate services for immigrants.	DHHC	DOH, Local Cultural Services
9.5.05	Encourage support and funding for the network of services for alcohol and substance abuse.	DHHC	
9.5.06	Encourage support and funding for the network of services for domestic violence, sex assault, and families in crisis.	DHHC	DHS DOH
<u>9.5.07</u>	<u>Moved from page 6-12 –Housing action 6.2.05: Form partnerships and develop a plan for establishing long-term and short-term supportive housing, palliative care and hospice facilities.</u>	<u>DHHC</u>	<u>DOH Non-profits</u>

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1 **9.6 GOVERNANCE**

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3 The County of Maui is the sole local government for the residents of the three inhabited islands of
4 Maui Nui: Maui, Moloka`i, and Lana`i; there are no townships, or villages with separate municipal
5 governments. The county seat and civic center is in Wailuku, Maui. ~~Moloka`i is served by a single~~
6 ~~representative on the Maui County Council.~~ Maui County has an elected mayor with a four-year
7 term ~~(two term limit)~~ and a nine-member council with two-year terms ~~(two term limit)~~. Moloka`i is
8 served by a single representative on the Maui County Council.

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12 **A. EXISTING CONDITIONS**

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14 ~~The County seat is located in Wailuku on the island of Maui making direct~~Direct participation in
15 Council meetings difficult for Moloka`i residents. County Council meetings are held on Maui and
16 are scheduled during normal working hours; ~~and~~ transportation to and from these meetings for
17 Moloka`i residents is limited by ferry schedules and expensive flights. Recent improvements in
18 telecommunications have enabled Moloka`i residents to participate remotely by phone conference.

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20 Maui County Code 2.41.080 states a minimum requirement of one member of the public from
21 Moloka`i on a number of County Boards and Commissions. However, it appears that this is not
22 widely known throughout Molokai. ~~The challenges of limited representation and personal~~
23 ~~participation in local government leads many residents to perceive that Moloka`i does not have the~~
24 ~~means necessary to ensure that decisions are made for the benefit of Moloka`i's people. Many~~
25 ~~County Boards and Commissions do not have Moloka`i representatives. Physical a~~Access to the
26 full County Council meetings and their committee meetings is also limited ~~as since they do not~~
27 ~~regularly visit and residents cannot~~ have more limited travel options drive to attend meetings the
28 county seat in Wailuku or to meet with with members of the County Council. ~~decisions makers, like~~
29 ~~the residents of Maui.~~

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33 **B. ISSUES**

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35 Issue 1: There is a lack of representation at all levels of government for Moloka`i residents
36 are concerned that there is a lack of effective representation at all levels of
37 government.

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39 Issue 2: Moloka`i residents are not aware of the opportunities available to them ~~There are~~
40 ~~insufficient opportunities for the Moloka`i residents to~~ to directly participate in

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Issue 3: Access to County government meetings is limited to teleconferencing if it is available.

C. GOAL, POLICIES, ACTIONS

GOAL Government services will be transparent, accessible, cost-effective and responsive to meet the needs of Moloka`i's residents.

Policies

1. Support the implementation of Maui County Code 2.41.080 and ~~E~~expanded opportunities for Moloka`i residents to be involved in and affect County government decision making.
2. Encourage public participation ~~and equal access to~~ in government among all Moloka`i citizens in order to promote civic engagement.
3. Provide Support a variety of information sources and technological connections such as video conferencing for citizens to participate, communicate, and stay informed about their community and government.
- 3.4. ~~3.4.~~ Develop improved government communication tools to help overcome existing language barriers.
- 4.5. 4.5. Encourage elected officials at all levels of government to conduct regularly scheduled public information meetings on Moloka`i to discuss issues of importance.

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Table 9.6 Public Facilities and Service - Governance			
No.	Action	Lead - County Agency	Partners
9.6.01	Continue to improve, promote, and publicize the availability of telecommunications and video conferencing for county services and for participation in eCounty eCouncil , and all board and commission county council meetings held on Maui.	Mayor's Office	
9.6.02	Provide the Moloka`i Planning Commission with the planning director's annual status reports received by the Planning Director as described in Maui County Code Chapter 2.80B.	Planning Department	
9.6.03	Conduct regularly-scheduled public information meetings on-island.	Mayor's Office	Moloka`i Council Representative Member
9.6.04	Ensure that a minimum of one Moloka`i resident is a member of each board and commission per MCC 2041.080 is fulfilled.	Mayor's Office	

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