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Topic Question 1:

Yes it seems fine.

Topic Question 2:

C most closely fits my hopes for Kalapapa. Visiting the settlement can be a profound life altering experience for people, Without visitors there would be no reason to maintain the historic buildings that are so rich with story. But too many visitors would destroy the very thing they came to experience. Visitor numbers need to be limited.

Topic Question 3:

Great sensitivity needs to be used to preserve the poignant, haunted quality of Kalaupapa, Buildings should not be made to look too new and perhaps old vehicles should always be seen driving around. Care needs to be taken not to scare off the ghosts that whisper the story of Kalaupapa.

Topic Question 4:

Yes

Karen Lucas

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Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa

**"E Ho'ohanohano a E Ho'omau...
...To Honor and To Perpetuate"
PO Box 1111, Kalaupapa, Hawaii 96742**

July 13, 2011

Steve Prokop, Superintendent
Kalaupapa National Historical Park
PO Box 2222
Kalaupapa, Hawaii 96742

Dear Steve,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the four Alternative Plans and other proposals presented by Kalaupapa National Historical Park regarding the future of Kalaupapa in its General Management Plan (GMP). Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa congratulates Kalaupapa National Historical Park (KNHP) for undertaking this enormous – yet essential – process. The 'Ohana looks forward to offering comments as a partner to KNHP and developing a planning tool that will lead Kalaupapa into the future.

I am writing on behalf of the 'Ohana Board of Directors that includes four Kalaupapa kupuna, six family members/descendants and three longtime friends.

The 'Ohana continues to support the Position Paper that we submitted to KNHP in the summer of 2009 after the first round of meetings on the GMP. The Position Paper was developed through meetings held by the 'Ohana in the first four months of 2009, research of minutes or notes from previous 'Ohana meetings, notes from other meetings held earlier about the future of Kalaupapa and other planning documents. The Position Paper has been supported by the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and other leaders.

These are some of our comments on the proposed alternatives and other information presented in the most recent newsletter:

The visitor experience. There seems to be a great deal of emphasis on "the visitor experience" with little or no mention of Native Hawaiians or family members. Native Hawaiians should not be considered "visitors" in their own land; family members should not be considered "visitors" in the place where their ancestors once lived and died.

The 'Ohana believes there needs to be an emphasis on opportunities for family members/descendants of those sent to Kalaupapa and for Native Hawaiians.

Kalaupapa will always be a place of great importance because of the legacies of Saint Damien and Blessed Marianne Cope, who is also expected to become a Saint. There have often been discussions about spiritual retreats in the future for persons of all beliefs. These individuals would benefit from a type of visitor experience that is different from a day-only visitor.

Native Hawaiian access rights. Native Hawaiians are given special access to places where their ancestors are buried or where they wish to practice their culture. Discussions need to take place with Hawaiian organizations to come to an agreement on access now and in the future.

Homesteading. It does not seem that the word "homesteading" appears a single time in the newsletter and there is nothing about homesteading in any of the proposed alternatives, yet this is one of the key issues in the future of Kalaupapa where the ahupua'a of Kalaupapa is owned by the Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL). Whether there is homesteading at Kalaupapa in the future or not, it simply must be part of the ongoing discussions.

The purpose of Kalaupapa National Historical Park. On Page 2 of the current newsletter, there is the following statement:

"All of the preliminary alternatives must be consistent with the purpose for which Kalaupapa National Historical Park was established."

The purpose of Kalaupapa National Historical Park is to preserve the lifestyle of the existing community and to share the history of those individuals who were taken from their families and sent to Kalaupapa because of government policies regarding leprosy. Ninety percent of these individuals were Native Hawaiians. This purpose must be emphasized in any future plan regarding Kalaupapa National Historical Park. This is not a "national park" where the emphasis is on recreation, scenic views, hiking trails and enjoyment, but a "national historical park" where the emphasis is on preserving an important chapter of history and passing down that history to future generations as accurately as possible.

Education and perspective must be a necessary component of any programs/activities at Kalaupapa. The natural beauty of Kalaupapa will always appeal to visitors, but that beauty must be presented with respect to those who arrived at Kalaupapa years ago with no or little hope of ever returning home. For instance, the scenic views that are so beautiful to visitors or new employees today would have represented great loneliness and separation to those who were isolated at Kalaupapa. Any visitor to Kalaupapa needs to know this through orientation programs and reminded of this throughout their visit.

Expansion of the boundaries of Kalaupapa National Historical Park. The 'Ohana does not support the National Park Service acquiring additional lands at Kalaupapa and does not support expanding the boundaries of Kalaupapa National Historical Park to include the Pelekunu Preserve or the Olokui Natural Area Reserve. The GMP should

focus on the existing lands that NPS manages through the lease with DHHL and Cooperative Agreements with the State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) and the churches. The 'Ohana does not support the exchange or acquisition of any lands currently owned by DHHL or DLNR with NPS.

"The Sensitive Zone" – This area, marked in purple on the maps, changes from Alternative Plan to Alternative Plan. How can resources be considered "sensitive" in one plan and not in another? The more people who are allowed to visit, the more the "sensitive" resources must be protected. What makes the "sensitive" zones sensitive? Do these areas contain burials or pristine archaeological features? It also appears that other areas not included in "The Sensitive Zone" could contain possible burials. How will all of these sites be protected, but also be available for Native Hawaiian access and sharing these important places with the public?

Camping. The 'Ohana opposes any form of camping anywhere on the peninsula. Camping leads to destruction of the camping site, more rubbish and the need for portable toilets. For at least the last 40 years, campfires have been prohibited at Kalaupapa due to the serious fire hazard they present to this historic area where the ability to combat fires is extremely limited. In addition, camping promotes recreation. It is simply not an appropriate activity for KNHP and is inconsistent with the widely stated desire to "see this place stay sacred."

Children. The 'Ohana supports the community of Kalaupapa deciding the age limit of those allowed to visit Kalaupapa in the near-term future, but when there is no longer a patient community, the 'Ohana supports that children of any age be allowed to visit. Any child under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. The 'Ohana especially hopes that student groups will be encouraged to visit Kalaupapa with proper supervision.

The Kalaupapa Memorial. There was little mention of the Kalaupapa Memorial in the newsletter. We expect the Memorial to become one of the most important sites on the peninsula, especially for family members. The GMP should note that the Kalaupapa Memorial will be constructed within the site of the former Baldwin Boys Home in Kalawao. We also believe that it should be stated that the 'Ohana and NPS will work cooperatively regarding operations, interpretation and maintenance of the Memorial.

Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa. There is no mention of the 'Ohana as a partner with KNHP, yet the 'Ohana has welcomed KNHP as a partner in development of the Kalaupapa Memorial. In addition, a previous superintendent said that he would involve the 'Ohana in development of an interpretation program. The 'Ohana has a number of leaders who are professionals who have been involved with the preservation of the history of Kalaupapa over the years – and who are still involved with important research that is helping families learn more about their ancestors through our "Restoration of Family Ties" program. In addition, the 'Ohana has conducted educational programs and presentations outside of Kalaupapa, developed educational materials, and is working with schools to help students learn the accurate history of Kalaupapa.

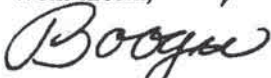
More planning. On Page 2 of the current newsletter, there is the following statement:

“When you read the management options, keep in mind that these are just initial ideas.”

The ‘Ohana hopes NPS will not select any of the alternatives at this time, but incorporate important components missing from all of the alternatives – the question of homesteading, access for family members/descendants/Native Hawaiians, the Kalaupapa Memorial, the role of Ka ‘Ohana O Kalaupapa – and possibly have another planning discussion with the people of Kalaupapa where Hawaiian organizations or other organizations connected to Kalaupapa are invited to select their own representatives to participate followed by additional discussions with the public. We appreciate NPS hosting “open houses” for the public where individuals can offer comments or in small groups, but we also hope that NPS would consider holding open discussions where an exchange of ideas can be helpful in gathering more complete information or revealing serious concerns. All of this will eventually lead to a plan that will honor and perpetuate the legacies of the people of Kalaupapa.

Thank you again for the opportunity to offer these comments on behalf of Ka ‘Ohana O Kalaupapa. We also plan to post this letter on our website and share it with others.

With aloha,



Clarence Kahilihiwa, President

on behalf of the Board of Directors of Ka ‘Ohana O Kalaupapa:

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To KALA_GMP@nps.gov
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Subject My personal mana'o on the GMP



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Leslie K. Kanoa Naeole



My Kalaupapa National Historical Park GMP Scoping Comments:

My personal comment on what preliminary alternative that I prefer would be a combination of B & C.

1. Keeping Kalaupapa's special or sacred places celebrated and made legendary by stories.
2. Maintaining Kalaupapa's spirit and character.
3. Stewardship of Kalaupapa's lands (by local & volunteer groups)
4. Keep Kalaupapa, Kalaupapa.

I am in favor of the following:

- Kalaupapa's diverse resources would be managed to protect, maintain, and enhance their integrity.
- Visitor use and experiences at Kalaupapa would be similar to existing conditions.
- The NPS would develop an extensive outreach program to share Kalaupapa's history with a wide audience at off-site & on-site locations.
- Agreements with partners would be renegotiated and renewed to reflect the intent and actions of this alternative.
- Resource stewardship of Kalaupapa's lands through hands-on activities with local residents and volunteer work groups.
- Maintain and enhance the integrity of resources through active management and restoration efforts by NPS, stewardship opportunities with local residents/groups, partners, visitors and service groups.
- Continue cultural resource preservation and research, restoration of historically significant features, and adaptively re-use historic buildings.
- Preserve cultural resources through engagement with local residents/groups, partners, visitors and service groups.
- Monitor and manage resources using both traditional and contemporary methods and engaging visitors and service groups.
- Continue existing DOH and patient resident rules concerning marine resource use. (Near & long-term)
- Continue existing DOH and patient resident rules about traditional collection and hunting below the 500 foot elevation. (Near & long-term)
- Work cooperatively with the State of Hawaii and partners to continue traditional and Native Hawaiian gathering and access, which includes hunting (local residents only, no outsiders). We are one of the only islands left that can hunt and fish to provide food for our families. Hunting and fishing is okay if and only if this is for home/family consumption and not for sale.
- Continue the general public visitation cap of 100 people per day for escorted day use only.
- Children under the age of 16 would not be allowed.
- Organized (multi) tours for the general public could be provided.
 - a) History Tour (current)
 - b) Cultural/Resource Tour (hands-on)
 - c) Spiritual Tour (take a walk with St. Damien/stories)
- Overnight use would be managed in three different categories:
 - a.) People with pre-existing associations and ancestral connections to Kalaupapa (not to exceed the current visitation rules (13 days per quarter)
 - b.) Stewardship & Religious visits (individuals/groups)
 - c.) Public Visit (limited, but allowed)
- Visitors must be escorted beyond cattle guards (current rule)
- Orientation is a must upon entrance to the Park.
- Engage local residents, 'ohana and Kama'āina as cultural interpreters to tell the story of Kalaupapa both topside & in settlement.

- Provide on and off-site visitor center to provide information and opportunity to learn about Kalaupapa.
 - Establish at Pala'au State Park visitor information facility/station
 - Provide an on-line interactive educational program
- I would love to see a partnership with the Hawaiian community topside to restore the taro lo'i and sweet potato fields to its original form.
- Continue the partnership with UH where students can assist with the archeological and natural resource work here at Kalaupapa.
- More research on what happened to the families that was removed from Kalaupapa prior to the establishment of the settlement.
- Continue the interdepartmental collaboration and working well together, combining manpower and resources to not only reach a common goal but to be more cost efficient.
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I have stronger opinions on the following

- NO CAMPING
- NO COMMERCIAL ENTITIES
- NO DEVELOPMENT
- NO TOURIST ATTRACTIONS
- NO RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES (LAND, AIR OR SEA)
- NO MAJOR CHANGES, KEEP "AS IS"
- CONTINUE TO KEEP KALAWAO ITS OWN COUNTY. Work with SOH partners to see if they will be willing to take on the duties & responsibilities. The island of Molokai is already having problems with the County of Maui. Molokai & Lanai always feel like their being left behind and that their needs and concerns are not considered or met. If Kalawao County goes away, it would be harder for the park to manage, new rules and regulations will have to be implemented, etc.
- KEEP CURRENT SETTLEMENT RULES & REGULATIONS (To truly experience what Kalaupapa was all about, everyone needs to experience not only the good but also the bad conditions/hardships that the patients were forced to live with, if we're going to be telling the story then we should also live by the rules. Sometimes I think that the rules were not only there to protect the patient's privacy & lifestyle but also to protect this 'aina).
- CONTINUE - NO UNESCORTED VISITS BEYOND CATTLE GUARDS
- ASSURE a high degree of preservation and maintenance of all churches, marked and unmarked graves, and buildings.
- CONTINUE research and preservations of all natural and cultural aspects, marine areas, beaches and costal strand including the islands of Okala, Huelo & Nihoa
- NO HELICOPTER FLY OVERS & TOURS (Keep night sky and air space clear)
- Before acquiring any new boundary adjustments, we need to make sure that we can manage, afford and protect what we currently have now until perpetuity.
- Continue our openness and transparency with the patients, community, churches and partners.
- CONTINUE slide show presentations at the community meetings with old photo's and getting valuable feedback from the patients.
- CONTINUE first right of refusal to 1st patients; 2nd Native Hawaiian; 3rd Non-profit and NO to commercial entities.
- CREATE a program or training mechanism to get more Native Hawaiians and/or families of patients qualified into higher management and interpreter roles.

- Research into the DOH permit process to see what worked and what didn't work in the past so better to plan the future. (When 100+ visitors were allowed into the park for a special event, what was the highest amount allowed and how did the logistics go, etc.)
- Research and implement "Hawaiian Protocols" whenever possible. Would be good to find a topside Kupuna that can help and guide us to be "Pono with this 'aina and its people (past, present and future)"
- NO TRAMS, NO WINDMILLS, NO BLOCKING OF OUR NATURAL BEAUTY.
- Regular maintenance and upkeep of current Kalaupapa trail.
- Continue training s for employees here at Kalaupapa (safety, crucial conversations, chain saw, weed eater, fire extinguisher, wild life fire, AED, etc.)

LONG-TERM NEEDS:

- 1) Need a cap for overnight accommodations (which includes lodgings for: employees, concessioners, 'ohana, groups and public, what can the water and sewage handle, etc.)
- 2) Need an affordable and reliable air carrier
- 3) The need for a Medical Facility/clinic or medical response team here in Kalaupapa to handle injuries and/or emergencies. Once a week/month dental service would also be good.
- 4) Need to continue transparency with our Kalaupapa community, Molokai community topside (including DHHL beneficiaries), our partners (DOH, DHHL, DLNR, DOT) and the general public.

The above statements are my personal mana'o and my hope for the future of Kalaupapa. My opinions may change as new information arises and I will always try to have an open mind on the process. I have learned so much this year that I feel it only scratches the surface. There are so much more to learn and absorb. I will continue to assist in any way possible to get to the final product in hopes that it will be "PONO" for the people, the land, our partners, our ancestors and the future.

Humbly submitted by: Leslie Kanoa Naeole; [REDACTED] 96742



Lavinia Currier

07/16/2011 12:11 PM

To KALA_GMP@nps.gov

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Subject Comments Re: Puu O Hoku Ranch Lands

Mr. Stephen Prokop, Superintendent
Kaalaupapa National Historical Park
P. O. Box 2222
Kalaupapa, HI 96742

Dear Mr. Prokop:

This letter is an official comment related to Newsletter #3 Preliminary Alternatives, General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for Kalaupapa National Historical Park.

I request that the National Park Service consider the ahupua'a of Halawa Valley, my property as part of Pu'u O Hoku Ranch, as a potential addition to Kalupapa National Historical Park as an alternative in the on-going General Management Plan process.

I would appreciate working with the National Park Service on the specifics of such an alternative, including the traditional native Hawaiian uses of the valley.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Lavinia Currier
Pu'u O Hoku Ranch

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Bill Godwin

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Subject Kalaupapa Management Plan

Kalaupapa might very be one of the most significant historical but relatively unknown sites in the US. Aside from it's amazing history is it's overwhelming beauty. Very few places have in combination what Kalaupapa has nor is there any other place of which I am aware that is at such a crossroads.

It is clear that all involved are working hard to preserve all that makes Kalauapapa such a special place. I do not even pretend to understand the emotions of those who have been so personally involved in it's history. I do understand the importance of moving forward in a way that best guarantees that the history will not be forgotten and that Kalaupapa in it's beauty remains.

Someone wrote that " By experiencing Kalaupapa, current and future generations will become stewards of Kalaupapa. That is the key. Isolating Kalaupapa in a way that it exist today will guarantee it's demise.

The future plan for Kalaupapa has to embrace the notion that it's long term success will be tied to it's ability to generate revenue way beyond what it can ever expect from the NPS. This is not about opening the flood gates to hordes of unsupervised visitors. Quite the contrary. It is about a management strategy that restricts the number of visitors, controls their experience and charges a rate that is in concert with the experience. Programs in Yellowstone and the Grand Canyon routinely charge \$800 per person for 4 nights.

Because of it's size and how unique it is as location, Kalaupapa should not have a campground and day hikers need to be limited. Point is Kalaupapa needs to be a program orientated destination with an agenda that informs but through its control maintains the integrity of all that Kalaupapa is about.

People worldwide continue to look for unique experiences. Kalaupapa for the most part has the infrastructure in place to support such an endeavor.

Some are going to complain that this is too much of an elitist's approach and does not support the idea that all parks are to be available to all people. Exception can be made to what ever group makes sense. The reality, however, is that the large majority of the population does not see National Parks as a priority, politicians cannot be relied on to fund needed priorities and the economy will for a long time demand attention elsewhere.

The financial support needed longer term to make Kalaupapa the premier National Park in the country is out there. Any management strategy must include a plan to expose those who have the where with all to support the park to be exposed to how special it really is. It would be a mistake to attempt to control the existing environment by doing nothing. It would be a mistake to severely limit exposure to Kalaupapa.

The answer in my opinion is a management plan that establishes a realistic number of visitors, creates programs about which visitors rave, includes an outreach program intended to developed financial support for the park and a park staff that maintains professional control over the experience.

Thanks for the opportunity to provide my thoughts and best wishes in your efforts.



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Subject From NPS.gov: Alternatives

Email submitted from: [REDACTED] at /kala/parkmgmt/gmp.htm

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Hi, Steve! I like Alternative 3. I don't think I trust the general public to take proper care of our tiny treasure in Alternative 4, and I really believe that the opportunity to stay down in Kalaupapa more than 5 hours will bring a lot of supporters to historic preservation of the peninsula. I took 14 people through the Grand Canyon on a 6 day raft trip. At the end of the trip, even our most Type A executives were committed to preserving the experience of the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon. Once exposed to the concept of stewardship, I think most people will care for Kalaupapa the way we all do. I've heard very good things about your presentations!



"L.P. 'Neenz' Faleafine"

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06/11/2011 02:35 AM

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Subject Testimony on Kalaupapa Alternatives

Aloha,

My name is L.P. "Neenz" Faleafine and I am descendent of the late Rose Ka'aipohaku Oneha Brown, resident of Kalaupapa. I request that those in charge use compassion in their decision making for the future of Kalaupapa. My concerns and involvement is to discourage the leadership to not turn Kalaupapa into a tourist or camping destination and to continue limiting the number of daily visitors to the area.

In addition, I would like to propose the following:

- Continue to manage resources under existing guidance.
- Continue to conduct resource projects, inventories, and monitoring
- Continue to conduct cultural resource projects, inventories, and interpretation as opportunities arise
- Continue to stabilize and preserve historic buildings as funding allows
- Emphasize cultural resource preservation and research, especially ethnographic research with 'ohana
- Focus on stabilization and restoration of existing historic structures and cultural landscape features
- Continue active management and care of known cemeteries, including ongoing stabilization of grave sites
- Mark all cemeteries, conduct formal investigations to identify and quantify additional grave sites, restore some grave sites, and provide access for related families
- Implement natural resource management program priorities: research, inventory, monitoring, feral animal control, fencing, hunting, rare species stabilization, and incipient alien species removal. Continue active participation and pursuit of East Molokai Watershed Partnership goals.
- Continue to focus on research and monitoring of marine resources and fishing
- Continue existing DOH and patient resident rules concerning marine resource use until the DOH leaves Kalaupapa
- Continue to Implement State of Hawaii regulations for marine resource use including marine fishing
- Work cooperatively with the State of Hawaii and partners to establish new regulations for resource protection that would continue the will of the Patient's Council and resident rules for marine resource use and the spirit of the national Marine Protected Area designation.
- Continue existing DOH and patient resident rules about traditional collection and hunting below the 500 foot elevation until the DOH leaves Kalaupapa
- Continue State of Hawaii hunting rules and regulations above the 500 foot elevation and managed by DOWAW
- Work cooperatively with the State of Hawaii and partners to establish new regulations for resource protection, traditional and Native Hawaiian gathering and access, and hunting.

Mahalo for the opportunity and for considering my testimony.

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L.P. "Neenz" Faleafine

Chief Evangelist

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Subject The future of beloved Kalaupapa

- I respectfully ask you to consider the following in your planning for the future of Kalaupapa:
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- Work cooperatively with the State of Hawaii and partners to establish new regulations for resource protection, traditional and Native Hawaiian gathering and access, and hunting.

Please do not turn Kalaupapa into a tourist attraction. Please limit the visitors and consumption of the natural resources. Please allow the 'ohana of the residents' to visit



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Subject Re: Kalaupapa National Historical Park General
Management Plan Update

Hi Stephen, thank you for this invitation to discuss the future of Kalaupapa. I'm so glad that these discussions will take place because I know these concerns weigh heavily on the hearts of the residence. For me Kalaupapa is such a sacred place that I feel great care must be given to honor and preserve the memory and soul of the Kupunas who have lived and died there. We already have a Saint Damien and we are close to having another in Mother Marianne Cope. To have two saint out of such a small settlement is absolutely phenomenal. All the more reason to move slowly and with great care. Could you please give me an outline of the agenda. I will plan to attend the June 10th meeting at Bishop Museum. Thanks much.

I will look forward to seeing you there. Sincerely, Kahu Richard Matsushita

Please note: message attached

From: Kalaupapa National Historical Park - Planning <kala_gmp@nps.gov>

[REDACTED] Historical Park General Management Plan Update

Date: Wed, 18 May 2011 17:20:13 -0400 (EDT)

Message from Kalaupapa National Historical Park - Planning <kala_gmp@nps.gov> on Wed, 18 May -----
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Kalaupapa National Historical Park GMP Scoping Comment Form

Below are some questions to help you. You may fill out this comment form and mail it back to us or you may fill it out electronically through Kalaupapa's planning web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/kala> or you may send us a separate letter with your comments. **The comment period will extend through July 16, 2011.** We hope that you will remain involved with planning for the future of Kalaupapa National Historical Park.

Questions for You to Respond To:

1. Do you think the range of preliminary alternatives for managing Kalaupapa National Historic Park is appropriate? If not, what is missing?

ELIMINATE DOH FROM MANAGEMENT AT APPROPRIATE TIME.

HOLISTIC APPROACH

INCREASE PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IE: LIMO RENTING, SEAT
SALT PRODUCTION, HORTICULTURE, MULE RIDE, ECO-TOURISM

2. Which preliminary alternative do you prefer for managing Kalaupapa and why?

OBTAIN NAT PARK STATUS FOR NORTH SHORE - WAIALAE
TO ILWA PT. CONSORTIUM OF NPS, DHHL, TNC
COLLABORATION IS KEY

3. What else would you like the planning team to know as we write the Draft General Management Plan?

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION BY PARK SV PERSONNEL
IN HIGH SCHOOL & COMM. COLLEGE INSTRUCTION IS APPROPRIATE
HISTORY, ADMINISTRATION, BIO-SCIENCE CURRICULUM

REFER TO: [REDACTED]

4. Do you want to be on the mailing list for the GMP? If yes, please write your name and contact information on the back of this page. We will send you future newsletters and information dealing with the general management plan for Kalaupapa NHP.

YES

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You're missing an exit plan.

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Exit plan! NPS "license" should end before 2041 AND the land granted to the persons/ ohana who lived there - as the "Mahele Plan" did.

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Having been a long time fan of The National Park Service and the extraordinary work that you do in so many varied venues. I trust your ever so patient and refined processes that you go thru to accomplish the wonderful end products you produce, and I'm certain that Kalaupapa will measure up to your known high standards.

On the assumption that The Department of Interior intends that you have a permanent presence on the peninsula, my thoughts start with Kalaupapa's challenging logistic and support problem.

Pala'au Park strikes me as the logical site for an Administration Headquarters Building that would also function as Visitor Information Center, Briefing Theatre, possibly other related functions, i.e.; restaurant and or panoramic viewing balcony, and, last but not least !!,

A CABLE CAR STATION !!

The vulnerability of the present trail system, and it's virtually nonexistent alternative and frightening liability exposure to the taxpayers when matched with the extraordinary cost of the once a year Custom Barge Service bring the price of Cable Car design and build nearer to serious consideration.

Research into Interior Department Records as to Pago Pago, American Samoa's Cable Car would be a good starting point. Granted, it was a W.W. strategic installation, but it was so well built that it lasted for many years, even under Samoan maintenance, until the U.S.N. flew a P-3 thru it.

A secondary benefit, beyond crowd control and security concerns would be it's bringing closer together the two now, essentially, separated Molokai communities.

Demographics alone (increased visitors) plea for the inevitable routing thru the Hoolehua Airport, thus lightening the load on the existing decaying flight strip and its shockingly expensive maintenance and repair costs.

PLEASE, GIVE THIS SERIOUS CONSIDERATION.

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NO. Developing new trail. NO. Developing camping area, in any zoning. leave as is Waikanae valley trail no constructing a replacement trail.

2. Which preliminary alternative do you prefer for managing Kalaupapa and why?

Alternatives. A; B NO Action
To protect the values of Kalaupapa? Kalaupapa
Kaukoko Crater. Waikanae Valley, Cemetery.

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Keep it sacred honor those who died let
them all Rest in Peace

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yes

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generally I favour alternative C, but I would like to see some ideas from other alternatives incorporated, as noted in the attached letter

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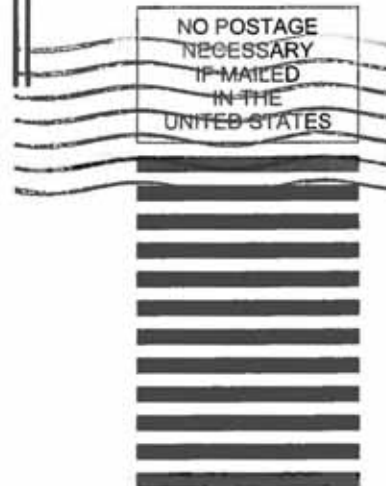
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Response to GMP Alternatives

Cultural Resources: I favor re-use of historic buildings for visitor use and opportunities for visitors to engage in on-site living cultural activities. However, I think the emphasis within the settlement should be on the patient experience, and I wonder how far visitors would be able to experience their cultural activities. Might they, perhaps, be put through some activity where they experience segregation as the patients did (for example during a video showing or dance at Paschoal or during a tour of the settlement) in order to begin to understand that at a gut level?

Natural resources: I think it is very important to maintain and re-create the settlement era vegetative landscape within Kalaupapa Settlement. Patients expended great effort to plant fruit trees and decorative plants in their yards and in public spaces. Many of those plants have been cleared by the DOH and the NPS since the 1970s, and the park should work to re-create the landscape that the patients created, so that visitors can understand that the patients created and experienced such a place. Of course, this means that the deer will have to be eliminated from the Settlement.

Traditional Collection and Hunting: I would definitely like to see the park allow Native Hawaiian access for fishing and gathering (and for hunting as well, if the deer and pig populations cannot be eliminated). However, I would also like to see fishing rights limited to Native Hawaiians resident on Moloka'i, in order to limit the number of fishermen.

Visitor Use: I can see no reason for continuing to exclude children or to ban camping once the patients are gone. I think that an initial orientation should be required for all visitors, organized tours/activities should be provided, but visitors should also be allowed to explore on their own. It would be great if they could go up Wai'ale'ia.

My only reservation as far as visitors exploring on their own is for Kalawao. I worry that the occasional visitor might do some damage to Siloama or St. Philomena's. Maybe Kalawao should be accessible only with an escort.

Facilities: Although I strongly favor the use of Paschoal and other structures for interpretative activities for visitors, I also think that the NPS should establish a Topside facility—to include both offices for some workers and some interpretation.

Boundaries: I favor expansion of the park to include Pelekunu Preserve and Olokui, but not the rest of Wailau. And certainly not Halawa. Wailau and Halawa should be accessible to Native Hawaiians and not taken over by non-Hawaiian entities.