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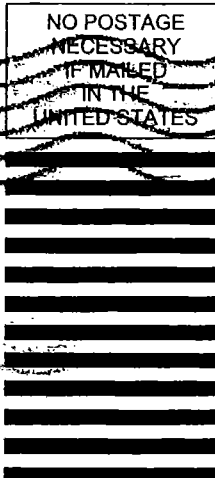
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1. What do you value most about Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

It is a peaceful place with no traffic. It is like stepping back in time. I like that you are trying to keep the history alive as there is much to learn from history.

2. What do you think are the important issues facing the park and that should be addressed in the GMP?

accessability - # of visitors - keeping up the buildings. working with Hawaiian Homelands and the State of Hawaii

3. Imagine you are visiting Kalaupapa National Historical Park 20 years from now. Describe what you would like to experience or not experience.

Because I have been to Kalaupapa three times I want to see it the same in twenty years. There won't be any patients left but you should be able to see and hear their stories. Buildings taken care, etc.

4. Do you think that the purpose and significance statements and interpretive themes capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

You are on the right track! I am an avid visitor of National Parks and I have seen awesome ones. I love the way you take care of sites and tell us what it used to be like. Keep up the good work! Your team there is great and I love the work they are doing. Each time I see me

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Spiritual pilgrimage for all people from around the world. It's an important faithful legacy of Fr. Damien for the future generation.

2. What do you think are the important issues facing the park and that should be addressed in the GMP?

a. Educational ^{focus} for the future generation.
b. Medical research for young doctors and other scientists from around the world. A center for alternative medicine.

3. Imagine you are visiting Kalaupapa National Historical Park 20 years from now. Describe what you would like to experience or not experience.

a. no commercial push on resort developments
b. A center for religious educations and spiritual retreat.
c. State-of-the-Arts medical research center.

4. Do you think that the purpose and significance statements and interpretive themes capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

We are visitors from Mainland. we don't have all the informations. we wish all the best in your efforts. Congratulations for the canonization of Father. Damien.

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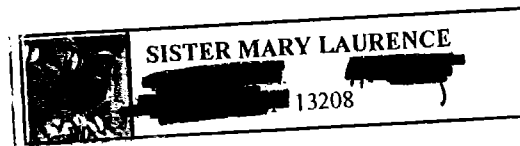
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I agree with Mr. Prokop, Sept.: preserve memories of past so we may continue to learn valuable lessons from them long into future

2. What do you think are the important issues facing the park and that should be addressed in the GMP?

Keeping the settlement a significant place to visit while at the same time not overdoing its commercialism or number of visitors ^{Ellen} after the last patient resident is deceased.

3. Imagine you are visiting Kalaupapa National Historical Park 20 years from now. Describe what you would like to experience or not experience.

Preservation of its natural beauty with sufficient worthwhile clear identification of key places of the past eras. Volunteers or appointees available to explain key institutions/places of the past.

4. Do you think that the purpose and significance statements and interpretive themes capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

I think a good beginning; draft of what is to come after more input has been received

Thank you,
S. Mary Lawrence

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Yes with gratitude

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July 5, 2009

Brochure improvements/corrections suggested by the Director/Chief Historian of the
Blessed Marianne Cope Cause

BROCHURE GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FUTURE OF KALAUPAPA

P.4. ERRONEOUS PARAGRAPH under Park Significance

big error in text: Kalaupapa National Historical Park is the site of Father Damien's renowned work that brought global attention to Hansen's Disease and its treatment, and inspired Mother Marianne and others to serve the Hansen's Disease community.

[MM was not inspired by Fr Damien but instead (she wrote) by Saint Francis to accept the work. She came to the Islands in 1883 before Fr. Damien was diagnosed with the disease and there is no mention of him in negotiation papers or in her account of the beginning of the mission, etc.]

Also it is not good to diminish her role by giving her a subsidiary role— the HI records and the Vatican historians give her a top role]

Kalaupapa National Historical Park is the site of Fr. Damien De Veuster's and Mother Marianne Cope's renowned work that has brought global attention to Hansen's Disease and its treatment. Their dedicated lives have inspired many others, religious and lay persons, to serve the Hansen's Disease community.

p.4 ERRONEOUS PARAGRAPH UNDER PARK INTERPRETATIVE THEMES

[It is a mistake to place the work/significance of Brother Joseph Dutton on a par with the work/significance of Mother Marianne without a comprehensive study that has yet to be done on his life. Both Fr Damien and Mother Marianne had serious inquiries made of their lives of dedication at Kalaupapa by historians. The books on Dutton mostly are historical novels. Our strong objection is that novels make him the successor of Father Damien and it was Mother Marianne who was Damien's successor at Kalaupapa. How much else is fictional in these works which are based on limited research. There is no objection to your mentioning him but not in the sense of equality but as a helper. He first helped Damien and then Marianne.

It also is important to give Mother Marianne more of the proven significance she has in the history of the settlement] ::

change needed in this text: Father Damien devoted himself to improving patient lives at Kalawao both physically and spiritually, giving them protection, comfort and hope. Mother Marianne and Brother Dutton continued the work of Father Damien. Their selfless devotion to people in need continues to inspire us today.

Father Damien DeVeuster devoted himself to improving the patients' lives at Kalawao both physically and spiritually. After his death, Mother Marianne Cope who headed the girls' home at the settlement continued the work at the boys' home he established. The selfless devotion of these two heroic missionaries in giving protection, comfort and hope to people in need inspired others to follow them and continues to inspire us today.

*Sister Mary Lauretta Henley
Cause Director/Historian*

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Mahalo for the opportunity to comment.

• Public Requests

The only comment that I have is that the National Park Service should carryout protection of Kalaupapa as envisioned by the late and present patients. There is no need to create a "plan," the plan is what the late and present patients want for Kalaupapa.

• Comments

This area is not one for recreation, but one of preserving a legacy of memories. Not memories of the pain and suffering of those human-beings who contracted Hansen's Disease and were forcefully relocated to Kalaupapa, leaving their families and everything dear to them behind.

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The memories are of the happy times shared by the patients and visitors, happy times and memories that should be preserved for eternity.

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WHIP AT LARGE

Mr. Stephen Prokop
Superintendent
Kalaupapa National Historical Park
U.S. Department of the Interior
PO Box 2222
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Dear Superintendent Prokop,

As you proceed with the planning process for development of a General Management Plan for Kalaupapa National Historical Park, I urge you to give special consideration to the comprehensive recommendations provided in Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa's position paper (<http://www.kalaupapaohana.org/position.html>). The 'Ohana, made up of residents of Kalaupapa as well as the families of current and past residents, can best speak for the 8,000 persons who were forcibly isolated at Kalaupapa. The stories of the 8,000 and the significance of their experience are at the heart of Kalaupapa National Historical Park's reason to be.

I am hopeful that the National Park Service will agree with most of the recommendations of the 'Ohana regarding preserving and maintaining historic buildings, cemeteries, and artifacts; telling the stories of Kalaupapa residents with sensitivity while providing a larger historical and human rights perspective; and protecting the unique natural resources of this special place.

I know that some of the recommendations of the 'Ohana, such as the proposal that homesteads eventually be allowed on DHHL lands managed by the Park, will take additional study and consultation. I urge the NPS to continue to consult with the 'Ohana on this and other issues.

I am, of course, very interested in the establishment of the Kalaupapa Memorial that was authorized by P.L. 111-11. I know that the 'Ohana prefers the site of the Old Baldwin Home in Kalawao for the memorial. I trust that the NPS will work with the residents and the 'Ohana in considering this and other alternatives appropriate to the ultimate design of the memorial and respect for the site, which is located adjacent to Father (soon to be Saint) Damien's grave.

Mr. Stephen Prokop

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July 15, 2009

I congratulate you on moving forward with this critical management plan. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mazie K. Hirono". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mazie" being the most prominent.

Mazie K. Hirono

Member of Congress

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MY PERSONAL EXPERIENCES AND INTERACTIONS WITH THE PATIENTS* AND FELLOW 'KOKUAS' IN THE SIXTEEN MONTHS OF EMPLOYMENT AS A COMMUNICABLE DISEASE DIVISION (D. O. H.) WORKER

2. What do you think are the important issues facing the park and that should be addressed in the GMP?

TOTAL RESTORATION AND/OR PRESERVATION OF THE PERTINENT SITES AS I REMEMBER THEM IN THE MID-1970'S AND ALSO RECALL THEM ON A DAILY BASIS (KALAWAO & KALALUPAPA)

3. Imagine you are visiting Kalaupapa National Historical Park 20 years from now. Describe what you would like to experience or not experience.

ALTHOUGH I'M IN MY MID-SIXTIES NOW, I WOULD WANT MY GRANDCHILDREN (TWO AT THIS WRITING) TO HAVE THE SAME ADVANTAGE OF PRISTINE BEAUTY AND HISTORY OF THE LOCALE AS I. (I WAS EVEN PAID TO LIVE AND WORK THERE)

4. Do you think that the purpose and significance statements and interpretive themes capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

YES. I WAS FORTUNATE TO HAVE HAD MIDDLE-AGED PATIENTS (NOW, MOSTLY DECEASED) TAKE ME ON PERSONAL EXCURSIONS, TOURS AND PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS OF THE RICH HISTORY OF THE SETTLEMENT AND THEIR VIEWS AND REQUESTS FOR ITS FUTURE. I THINK THEIR WISHES AND THE AGENDA OF THE K.N.H.P. ARE SYNONYMOUS.

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ABSOLUTELY! I WANT THE LEGACY OF MY KALALUPAPA EXPERIENCE TO CARRY ON WITH MY PROGENY. I AM EXTREMELY PROUD TO HAVE BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE SITE.

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* - PATIENT POPULATION DURING MY TENURE WAS APPROX. 140

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I visited Kalaupapa/Kalawao around 2001. I was fortunate to have a guided tour with the honorable Richard Marks. I value most the story of those who were isolated because of Hansen's disease; the hope and charity of Father Damien and others; and the aesthetic beauty of the area.

2. What do you think are the important issues facing the park and that should be addressed in the GMP?

Development; the entire area should remain pristine and historic, as well as sacred.

3. Imagine you are visiting Kalaupapa National Historical Park 20 years from now. Describe what you would like to experience or not experience.

Living history museum; progressive timeline of peninsula's history; televised interviews of previous residents with Hansen's disease; a restored settlement including the present hospital displaying the development, a cure for Hansen's disease, the church and cemetery at Kalawao. Only electric cars allowed, a one or two-story lodge (no hotels) and 100 limited-term campground.

4. Do you think that the purpose and significance statements and interpretive themes capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

Yes. It includes the history of those with Hansen's disease and geology of the area.

3. (continued) A wall listing the names of all who were banished, perished at Kalawao/Kalaupapa because of Hansen's disease.

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Rose Worley/KALA/NPS

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To Helen Felsing/OAKLAND/NPS@NPS

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Subject Fw: General Management Plan comments

Helen,

Here's the Mule Ride comments.

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Subject: General Management Plan comments

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HST

Mahalo Rose. I already cleaned out my SEND & DELETE files and did not file my thoughts in the NPS file in my Outlook Express. By memory:

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- 2. A way to communicate with a Park Ranger on Weather Status on those dates where there are "storm conditions" or heavy prolonged rain.*
- 3. At some point and time, we once thought about having Park Rangers in Uniform giving a scripted tour below. This may hinder the operations for the Tour Owner like Damien Tours so let's scratch this for now.*
- 4. A Continuation Plan for us to continue running if anything happened to Gloria to make sure that we can still operate.*
- 5. A museum or visitors center.*
- 6. What are the thoughts of beach bungalows allowing for*

over-night lodging. There are operational challenges I know. Who will operate.

7. What about creating a fishing rights or control of the north shore side whereby fishermen from off island can be cited for in shore fishing. Or having a Kapu system whereby certain fish will be caught only during open periods, etc. "Hawaiians called it a Kapu System."

8. Better flight services needed. What ever happened to Henry Young and Molokai Air Shuttle. Those were the days.

This comes from the top of my head for now. Again, thanks for your time and Buzzy and I enjoyed your visit at the Barn Office.

Aloha, Roy & Faithy, Buzzy & Marlene

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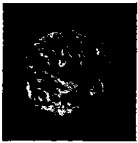
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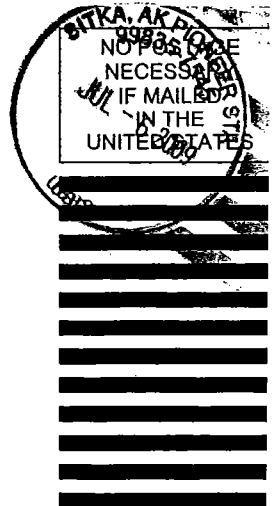
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Kalaupapa National Historical Park GMP Scoping Comment Form

During this initial "scoping" phase of the general management plan, we would like to know what you want us to consider as we begin planning and setting priorities for the short-term and long-term future of Kalaupapa National Historical Park. 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 15, 2009. We hope that you will remain involved with planning for the future of Kalaupapa National Historical Park.

1. What do you value most about Kalaupapa National Historical Park? PLEASE SEE
KA 'OHANA O KALAUPAPA POSITION PAPER,
COMPREHENSIVELY WRITTEN, A MASTERFUL DOCUMENT.

2. What do you think are the important issues facing the park and that should be addressed in the GMP?
KA 'OHANA O KALAUPAPA POSITION PAPER FOR KALAUPAPA
NHP MASTER PLAN PREPARATION.

3. Imagine you are visiting Kalaupapa National Historical Park 20 years from now. Describe what you would like to experience or not experience. I AM A VISITOR TO KALAUPAPA
BEGINNING IN 1978. I WAS A HAWAII DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH MANAGER & BUSINESS SUPERVISOR BEGINNING IN
1982, ENDING IN THE FALL OF 1989. I AM ENROLLED
AS AN NPS KALAUPAPA NHP VOLUNTEER BEGINNING JANUARY,
FEBRUARY, & MARCH 2010. I ATTENDED THE PARK MASTER
PLAN MTG. IN JANUARY 2009, KALAUPAPA

4. Do you think that the purpose and significance statements and interpretive themes capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical Park? PLEASE REFER TO THE POSITION PAPER
FOR THE PARK MASTER PLAN WRITTEN BY KA 'OHANA
O KALAUPAPA.
VERY WELL RESEARCHED & DOCUMENTED

5. 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, THANK YOU!

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.



Sol Kahooalahala

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To KALA_GMP@nps.gov

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Subject Testimony in support of Ka Ohana O Kalaupapa Position Paper

Aloha Steve Prokop, Superintendent Kalaupapa National Historical Park

I am submitting my support to Ka Ohana O Kalaupapa Position Paper as a descendant of several residents of Kalaupapa. Having spent time with the residents over the past 10 years and learning from them a deep sense of place and responsibility, it is clear that all we do in the future must be considerate of their voices and will. The patients have worked hard to make their thoughts and ideas known. The position paper is their reflection. Therefore, I support their position 1000%.

Mahalo,

Sol P. Kahooalahala

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June 20, 2007
Comments for
KALA GMP

Dear Stephen Prokop,

I'm glad that I had the opportunity to attend the Public Workshop held on April 29, 2007 at the Mitchell Pauole community Center on Molokai. The following are my written comments. I hope that I do justice in providing information important enough to be considered into the GMP of Kalaupapa's future.

What I value most about Kalaupapa National Historical Park is the subject matter of the burial grave sites on the Kalaupapa peninsula of the Hansen's disease community, of both Settlements or other designated areas.

The importance of all burial grave sites should be located and identified if possible, on the peninsula. All the burial grave sites that were damaged or destroyed by the Tidal Wave should be marked by wooden or stone enclosures and perhaps at a later date or time a memorial stone listing those who maybe buried there be installed. If there are no records of those that were buried there before the Tidal wave, still a memorial stone with an eulogy acknowledging them as Hansen's disease patients. This burial site, I would honor this site as Kipuka site (a sacred site) and need to be preserved and restored as best can be done.

The issues I consider important facing the Park and should be addressed in the GMP are as follows:

(1) fishing inside the quarter mile boundary
 comments: No commercial fishing ⁱⁿ the quarter mile boundary

(2) 200 visitors per day on Kalaupapa peninsula
 comments: Less impact on the general environment, more enjoyable when it is not overwhelmingly crowded, and one may actually be able to experience the tranquility and the spiritual inner feelings of being in a very special and sacred place whose history is very moving.

(3) Paved road from Kalaupapa Settlement's cattle guard going towards Kalawao Settlement, then continuing along the coastline and connecting to the airport road.
 comments: Safer and much faster to get to where one needs to travel to Kalawao and back to Kalaupapa Settlement or back to the airport

(4) a Health center or clinic
 comments: Will the Kalaupapa hospital be providing medical assistance to visiting public?

(5) Another bathroom facility at Kalaupapa Settlement besides the airport facility
 comments: Having another bathroom facility would be essential in Kalaupapa Settlement to accommodate the influx of visitors to Kalaupapa peninsula unless portable toilets will be used.

(6) no dredging of the Kalaupapa harbor channel

comments: Dredging of the Kalaupapa harbor channel may change the ocean currents and the behavior of the winter waves' actions pounding along the shoreline at Kahili beach inward. I believe the changes may cause negative impact on the marine life and affect the sands of Awahua Beach by the Trail (sands travel on ocean currents).

(7) Recycle Center is essential

comments: Due to the closure of the Kalaupapa landfill

(8) Helicopter tour flights over Kalaupapa peninsula

comments: To continue the NO tour helicopter commercial flights over Kalaupapa peninsula and Kalaupapa NHP boundary

(9) Vacant houses

comments: Tenants of these houses can be NPS personnel and DHHL Beneficiaries. I do not support nor favor DHHL doing a land swap deal with the USNPS or the US Department of Interior

(10) Land fill closure

comments: garbage that can't be recycled to be transported out of Kalaupapa Settlement by barge service, pack mules, or helicopters. If possible our garbage should be taken to Molokai's own landfill and not to another island like Oahu.

(12) Salt gathering

comments: no commercializing, home use only. Permits required. I support only Kalaupapa NP personnel in

gathering the salt

(12) public access by northshore residents
comments: my name is Joyce Kainoa. my family and I have lived in the Ahupua'a of Pelekunu for thirty years and will continue to do so. We require an emergency pass to come on to Waikolu shoreline and proceed walking to Kalanapapa Settlement to reach the Trail or proceed to the airport. If the ocean is calm and winds are lightly blowing we may come by boat to Kalanapapa wharf and we will require a pass or permit to come on to shore at the wharf. This emergency pass or permit will allow myself or my family to head towards the Trail or to the airport.

(13) Encroachment of feral animals
comments: consider a construction of a hog wire fence with barb wire at the bottom of the hog wire fence to prevent the deer, pigs, or goats from entering areas where people are visiting and stop damages and destruction of property. The fence line can start at Waiale'a Valley existing along the base of the cliffs and meeting up at the Trail

(14) Children given access to Kalanapapa peninsula
comments: I support having children ages 10 years and older to have an opportunity to experience Kalanapapa and its history

I would like twenty years from now to experience the following:

(A) A Native Hawaiian, Superintendent of Kalaupapa National Historical Park

(B) the State Department of Hawaiian Home Land did not do a land exchange with the US National Park Service

(C) A selected number of Native Hawaiian Beneficiaries of the State Department of Hawaiian Home Land are residents of Kalaupapa peninsula

(D) The restoration and reconstruction of burial grave sites on Kalaupapa Peninsula

(E) The selected number of visitors to be on Kalaupapa peninsula per day for the past 20 years has not cause a negative impact on the very essence of the Foundation of the General Management Plan of Kalaupapa

(F) Through my genealogy research, I am happy to have found more family members as Hansen's disease patients and Kokuas (Helpers)

I had the opportunity to review the information listed under each subject matter, the Park's purpose, significance statements and interpretive themes. I have come to the conclusion that all three descriptive

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do capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical
Park

Please put me on the mailing list for the GNP.
my address is as follows:

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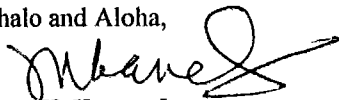
Respectfully Submitted,
Joyce Kainoa

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

July 4, 2009

My name is Milton H. Kaneta Jr., and I am writing with the hope that the Kalaupapa O'hana Position Paper recommendations will be considered with regard to the Kalaupapa National Parks General Management Plan. I have been fortunate enough to have recently been able to reconnect with my roots that extend to the Kalaupapa Settlement through the tireless efforts of the Kalaupapa O'hana and on a more personal note, Ms. Valerie Monson. I am proud to say that I am now a member of the O'hana, and will be forever enriched by their endeavors. My Great Uncle, Mr. Benjamin Apiki was banished to the island many years ago, and because all of the relatives of his generation are now gone, I had no way of knowing if he was actually buried there or not. The history of the settlement suggested that he would be, however, due to the fact that thousands were laid to rest there with no marker of any kind, my family and I began to search for information leading to his final resting place. After several weeks of correspondence with the O'hana, and reviewing their enchanting yet highly educational information via the web, I was able to connect with Ms. Valerie Monson, who selflessly took it upon herself to while on a trip to Kalaupapa, look for my Uncle's grave, and also make inquiries as to his past on Moloka'i. Not only did she locate his final resting place, but also she was able to photograph his headstone and forward it back to my family and I. I cannot express in words how much this meant to all of us, not to mention the fact that through her research, we found that he and my Great Aunt, Ms. Mamie Kaneta Apiki, were the Postmaster/Postmistress of the settlement. The rich and incredible history not only of my family but the entire Kalaupapa story is one that must not be forgotten and surely should be protected for eternity. All that can be done to do so, including the monument to all lost there, must continue through any and all efforts to ensure just that. I am very proud to have had family members contribute to the incredible history of Kalaupapa and will continue to support that plight in any way possible. Again, I urge you to consider any and all recommendations via the Kalaupapa O'hana Position Paper when formulating the General Management Plan administered by the National Parks. Protect and preserve forever.

Mahalo and Aloha,



Milton H. Kaneta Jr.

Cc: Ka O'hana O Kalaupapa

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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, 2009

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

Dear Steve,

Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa is proud to offer our Position Paper, "To See This Place Stay Sacred," to Kalaupapa National Historical Park with our recommendations to include in the General Management Plan that will guide the future of Kalaupapa for the next 20 or 30 years.

The 'Ohana appreciates being named as a consulting party in the General Management Plan process. Our Board Members and other 'Ohana supporters have also enjoyed participating in the very successful hearings that you and your staff held across the islands this spring.

Since the beginning of the year, 'Ohana leaders have been compiling our Position Paper through research of related documents, reviewing six years of minutes of meetings held by the 'Ohana and holding discussions among 'Ohana Board Members and others who have had long involvement with the 'Ohana. Two of those discussions were held at Kalaupapa, including the

meeting where the final draft was reviewed in detail during a meeting that was open to the public.

The 'Ohana was established in the summer of 2003 during a two-day workshop held at McVeigh Hall that attracted 70 people, including 23 Kalaupapa patients, family members and descendents, longtime friends, staff workers, clergy, members of the Sisters of St. Francis and others. This group recommended that the 'Ohana pursue its nonprofit status to serve as a another voice for the Kalaupapa community and as a resource for Kalaupapa National Historical Park, the Hawaii State Department of Health and any other agency.

The current 'Ohana Board of Directors includes four Kalaupapa kupuna, four family members or descendents and four longtime friends of the community. Five of the 12 Directors are Native Hawaiians. Three of our four officers are Hawaiians, including our President. The 'Ohana was the idea of Bernard K. Punikai`a, who was sent to Kalaupapa in 1942 and who evolved into one of the Hawaii's greatest leaders. Mr. Punikai`a was the 'Ohana Honorary Chairman of the Board until his death earlier this year.

We hope you will carefully read our Position Paper that was crafted from the wisdom of Kalaupapa kupuna and others close to Kalaupapa, including some who are no longer with us physically, but who continue to guide us spiritually.

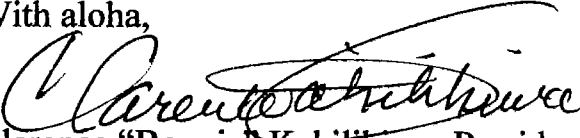
Our Position Paper already has the support of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees, the Maui Historical Society Board of Directors, IDEA (the International Association for Integration, Dignity and Economic Advancement), State Representative Mele Carroll, whose district includes Kalaupapa, and Maui County Council Chairman Danny Mateo, who holds the Molokai residency seat. We are continuing to seek the support of other agencies and other individuals.

The 'Ohana looks forward to maintaining our positive relationship with Kalaupapa National Historical Park. We are always available to assist in making Kalaupapa a better community and ensuring that the history is accurately and properly passed down to future generations.

I am including a copy of our Position Paper, which is also available on our website – www.kalaupapaohana.org. The Position Paper has been re-formatted so anyone can print it out with all photographs intact.

Please contact me if you have other questions.

With aloha,



Clarence "Boogie" Kahilihiwa, President
Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa



"Patrick V. Kirch"

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To kala_gmp@nps.gov

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Subject Input for the general management plan

Please see attached letter.

Patrick V. Kirch

Class of 1954 Professor of Anthropology and Integrative Biology

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Via email

Dear Superintendent Prokop:

Thank you for your email message dated April 3, 2009, soliciting input for a new general management plan which will guide the future development of the Kalaupapa National Historical Park.

Kalaupapa is best known as the setting for the Kingdom of Hawai'i's leprosy or Hansen's disease settlement, dating from 1866. As such, no doubt much of the emphasis in the general management plan will be on the preservation and interpretation of the Hansen's disease settlement. However, the Kalaupapa region was settled by Native Hawaiians by at least the 13th century A.D., and the peninsula and adjacent valleys incorporated into the Park include a vast array of archaeological resources that attest to this long and important record of Hawaiian habitation and land use that pre-dates the 1866 conversion of the area to a Hansen's disease settlement. It is important that these cultural resources also be given full consideration in the general management plan.

The Oceanic Archaeology Laboratory at the University of California has been involved in archaeological investigations at Kalaupapa since 2000, when I led an initial reconnaissance survey of parts of the Park. Subsequently, my graduate students Mark McCoy and James Flexner have also conducted archaeological research at Kalaupapa for their dissertations at Berkeley. In all, over the past nine years my students and I have accumulated a large database on the archaeological resources of Kalaupapa, all of which has been shared with your staff. We hope that this extensive new information on Kalaupapa archaeology will be used to help formulate the general management plan.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are specific ways in which I can be of assistance with respect to the archaeological record of Kalaupapa, as you and your staff work to develop the new general management plan. I can be reached at 510-643-8346 or by email at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely,

Patrick V. Kirch, Class of 1954 Professor

Koohan Paik

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April 26, 2009

To the U.S. National Park Service:

My name is Koohan Paik. I am a resident of Kauai, as well as a former educator with Ke Kula Ni'ihau O Kekaha, a Native Hawaiian charter school.

I am writing to express the importance of giving prominence to the story of Kaluaikoolau, in the transition design being planned by the National Park Service at Kalaupapa.

I produced and directed a half-hour docudrama based on the story of Kaluaikoolau, the Hansen's Disease patient from Kauai who chose to flee into hiding with his family in Kauai's Kalalau Valley, rather than be quarantined at Kalaupapa, and separated from them. Children from Ni'ihau played the roles, speaking their native language.

Anyone who has read the basis for our film, "The True Story of Kaluaikoolau, As Told By His Wife, Piilani" knows that this Hawaiian story is a tale of mythic proportion, containing lessons for young and old the world over. What makes it particularly powerful is that the story is in the words of Kaluaikoolau's wife herself, Piilani.

As a teaching tool, the story was rich in lessons in the fields of government, history, ethics, geography, and international relations. In fact, we based a one-year high school curriculum around the book and film project. Many students said it was the first book they ever liked. This is a testament to the profound appeal of this very local story of love, especially for Hawaii's local kids.

But it is a David-and-Goliath story which appeals universally. The time is 1893 at the height of tension surrounding the occupation by U.S. Provisional Forces. A humble Hawaiian, who happens to be the most skilled sharpshooter in the archipelago, refuses to be quarantined at Kalaupapa. He refuses to leave his family. When they flee into hiding, he is challenged by the full force of the U.S. military. The story ends with Kaluaikoolau shooting and killing the sheriff of Waimea and two U.S. soldiers who've ventured into the Kalalau Valley to track him down. The army miraculously retreats, convinced they cannot prevail. Three years later, Kaluaikoolau and his son die of leprosy in the valley. His wife, Piilani, lovingly buries them, then returns to civilization, bringing this story with her.

It would be preposterous to not devote significant space to the telling of this wonderful story in Kalaupapa's General Management Plan.

In fact, all descriptions of the history of Kalaupapa should be told by those affected themselves with Hansen's Disease. Notable people such as Olivia, Makia Malo, and Richard Marks come to mind as contemporary Kalaupapa voices. But there are others, thousands who came before. Dr. Noenoe Silva at UH Manoa is unearthing many letters written by patients describing conditions of the settlement over the last century. It would be essential to bring these voices to light, where they belong, as part of the General Management Plan.

Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Koohan Paik'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Koohan' written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name 'Paik'.

Koohan Paik



Rose Worley/KALA/NPS
05/02/2009 09:49 AM

To: Helen Felsing/OAKLAND/NPS@NPS
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Subject: Fw: letter regarding general management plan

Helen,

I haven't read this but not sure if it pertains to the GMP. I already forwarded it on the Pier Project folks.

Thanks!

- I will be mailing the additional workshop pages soon.

Roseann F. Worley
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To: rose_worley@nps.gov
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Aloha Rose,

On your suggestion from Monday night's meeting at Kapaa library on Kauai, I have written the attached letter in opposition to dredging at the pier.

thank you for your assistance in helping my voice be heard.

Koohan Paik



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April 29, 2009

Kalaupapa National Historical Park

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To the National Park Service, Kalaupapa National Historical Park:

There was a time when Hansen's Disease patients were not considered fully human. They were herded like animals, separated from family; they were shipped like cargo to Molokai, and in the rocky waters off Kalawao, they were dumped like garbage, left to sink or swim. Because most were weak and infirm, many did not make it to shore. Those who did had it no better. These ill people were expected to homestead on their own, growing sweet potatoes, building their own houses. What a cruel joke! These people were seriously ill and in need of care. This was at the very beginning, before the churches were involved. Needless to say, most patients perished.

For the most part, these were Native Hawaiian people. It was commonly believed, among non-Natives, that they had brought the leprosy scourge on themselves. The way they ate with their fingers. The way they were "overly" affectionate with one another. The way they slept on the floor. To settlers in Hawaii, it made sense that such filthy habits led to contracting leprosy.

Meanwhile during this time in history, this same racist logic had firm rooting in North America. The Chinese Exclusion Act forbid the Chinese

who had immigrated to build the railroads, from working any jobs other than the most menial. Jim Crow was in full swing. It was considered *essential to the economy* that people of color be subjugated, exploited, and denigrated. It sounds preposterous today, doesn't it?

Today, at the dawn of the 21st century, we have entered a period of enlightenment in how peoples of the world view our fellow humanity. No longer is it acceptable to denigrate, subjugate, and exploit our fellow human beings (though it still persists, at least we commonly agree that it is wrong).

But tragically, an exploitation continues to which people are as blind today, as they were to the racism of a century ago. That is the exploitation of the planet. Many people still believe the planet doesn't matter, just as they used to think that people with leprosy didn't matter.

Which is why I am writing today to comment on the General Management Plan at Kalaupapa. When I heard about the proposal to dredge near the pier in order to accommodate a jumbo-sized barge, I was horrified. Anyone who has been to these waters know these are arguably the most pristine waters in Hawaii, outside of the Northwest Hawaiian Islands. The excuse they give us for having to dredge is that it would be economically unfeasible to build and operate a smaller barge. This was the same logic that people used to legislate barring Chinese- or African-Americans from prospering. Supposedly, it would have cost too much money to the rest of society to lose that cheap labor. This was the same logic that justified cruelty to those with Hansen's Disease in Hawaii. Supposedly, it would have been too expensive to build accommodations for them, let alone an infrastructure. This was an era when there was nothing at all preposterous about bottom line determining if we treat others with humanity or not.

It is time to understand that the preservation of our planet's resources is also more precious than bottom line (something the Native Hawaiians, incidentally, have known all along – and isn't one of the intentions of the

General Management Plan to honor them?).

The 21st century will be the era where we all come to the realization that the planet isn't here to take lightly, to exploit, subjugate and denigrate. The marine ecology at Kalaupapa is a wondrous pocket of irreplaceable resources. The crystal waters, teeming with life, must remain so, and we must do everything in our power to preserve it.

It had taken the suffering, death and sacrifice of thousands of people ~~before we learned to honor those afflicted with Hansen's Disease.~~ Kalaupapa was ground zero for that enlightenment. Father Damien led the international community to look outside the box, and view those with leprosy as part of humanity. Today, the amount of sacrifice of natural resources around the world is just as tragic as the cruelty imposed at Kalaupapa before Father Damien's influence. Who among us has the courage to stand up for the environment, which has no voice, as Father Damien stood up for the afflicted who also had no voice, and who were also considered expendable?

What is particularly unfortunate about this public input process is that precious few have ever spent significant time at Kalaupapa, or even visited (which is precisely why it remains so lovely and the waters so pristine). That means that this process GUARANTEES that there will be only an infinitesimal fraction of comments in opposition to the dredging submitted, compared to what would otherwise be submitted if people were more personally familiar with Kalaupapa. Most people in Hawaii have no idea what is at stake with the dredging because they've never been to Kalaupapa. It would be like dredging Hanauma Bay on Oahu, an equally preposterous idea, which, if proposed, would elicit thousands of outraged letters, because everybody has been to Hanauma Bay.

However, we are blessed to have the technology to build and operate a *small* barge that can work in the existing pier. Let's do it! Let's use our technology to save the planet—not to be cheaper, faster, bigger. Citing supposed "prohibitive costs" as an excuse to desecrate this place is a

bean-counter's short-sighted view of humanity's future. This type of thinking from the last century has already brought all of life on Earth to its knees, with climate change, acidification of the seas, that there is 100 times more plastic than plankton in many parts of the Pacific Ocean, desertification of the continents, depletion of forests and so many other resources, and the list goes on...

The 21st-century mandate to save the planet starts at the local level. Let's start at home, here in Hawaii, at Kalaupapa. Let's be a model for the rest of the country, and the rest of the world. We must not dredge near the pier at Kalaupapa.

Thank you,

Koohan Paik

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Kalaupapa National Historical Park GMP Scoping Comment Form

During this initial "scoping" phase of the general management plan, we would like to know what you want us to consider as we begin planning and setting priorities for the short-term and long-term future of Kalaupapa National Historical Park. 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 15, 2009. We hope that you will remain involved with planning for the future of Kalaupapa National Historical Park.

1. What do you value most about Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

The sacredness of the whole area. The quiet, respect and silent reflection that everyone is called to be a part of, touched my whole inner being. It is as if we could all feel the presence of the 8000 who lived and died and now have their final resting place there. It is a sacred / holy place.

2. What do you think are the important issues facing the park and that should be addressed in the GMP?

1st: How can they preserve the sacredness of the whole area? 2nd: How can they share the happening gone by with visitors who come with respect & reverence 3rd: How can you tell the stories of these people and their struggles respectfully and how can you show the strength & love of Blessed Damien and Mother Marianne

3. Imagine you are visiting Kalaupapa National Historical Park 20 years from now. Describe what you would like to experience or not experience. [I WOULD NOT LIKE IT TO BE COMERCIALIZED.]

The monuments or buildings show yet the atmosphere for quiet reflection and respect and appreciation for all that has gone before. The grave sites should be well taken care of and plaques alerting everyone of lives, lived, enjoyed and suffered Chapel areas must be preserved, Hospital/Clinic, Boys, Girls houses preserved for history and possible retreat groups (small). Lectures or movie of history could be offered +

4. Do you think that the purpose and significance statements and interpretive themes capture the essence of Kalaupapa National Historical Park?

Yes, I believe these are well done and will continue to be built upon through these planning meeting and input. Whatever is added must be to inspire those who come to pray, honor and learn from the past. There cannot be enough respect and reverence attached to all that takes place today and into the future on this historic land.

5. 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.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

May 27, 2009

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Subject: Comments Submitted During Scoping Process for Kalaupapa Management Plan

Aloha,

As the research team that carried out the Kalaupapa Ethnographic Project from 2000-2005, we are pleased to make some recommendations for the future management of Kalaupapa National Historical Park. Our ideas are based in large part on interviews and informal talk-story sessions carried out with former Hansen's disease patients who have lived at Kalaupapa (many of whom have since passed on). Those ideas are incorporated in the Final Report of the *Kalaupapa Ethnographic Project* which we completed in 2007. However, we feel it is appropriate to make the main point again in this letter.

1. The most important issue to the patients we have talked to is that their story be told. This concern dovetails with the reason that the park was created—it was created primarily as a place to memorialize the experience of Hansen's disease patients, and only secondarily as a place for the preservation of natural resources. Thus telling the story of the patients at Kalaupapa should take priority. Certainly Father Damien and Mother Marianne are part of the story of Kalaupapa, but we believe that the bigger story of Kalaupapa is the experience of all the others who lived at Kalaupapa—patients and kokuas who served the patients.

Given this priority, an issue for the patients we interviewed was the question, How will their story be told? Several of them were concerned about who would tell the story at Kalaupapa, and whether they would bring a local/Hawaiian understanding to that telling. We support that concern. Since so many of the patients were Hawaiian or local-born, the nature of the community was local/Hawaiian. The important point is that those who fill the role of interpreters at Kalaupapa in the future need either to be local, or to bring a strong understanding of local culture to their work.

A related issue for the patients we interviewed is the question, What aspects of their story need to be told? Generally, the patients felt that it is important to describe their experience as Hansen's disease patients—their suffering from the disease itself, their stigmatization as bearers of the disease, their removal from family and segregation at Kalaupapa. But they also felt that it is important to show another side of their life, their success in creating a community at Kalaupapa where they could live in a satisfying way reflecting what Cathrine Puahala said, "We had a life." We support the importance of telling both sides of their story.

2. With respect to the management of natural resources, we limit our comments to marine resources. At present, both patients and workers are allowed to fish at Kalaupapa. In the future when there are no former patients left at Kalaupapa (if not before), the park will probably want to reconsider its policy concerning the use of marine resources.

Following the expressed opinion of one of our patient informants, we would like to argue for a policy that allows access to marine resources for subsistence use by the Native Hawaiians from topside Moloka'i, and by the workers who reside at Kalaupapa. We note that the Hawaiian community of Moloka'i has been successful in using social pressure to limit its use of marine resources at Mo'omomi Bay on the north shore to a sustainable level. We believe that that community could also successfully limit its use of marine resources at Kalaupapa so that such access would not unduly burden the marine resources.

3. The patients we talked to expressed strong opinions about the future of certain buildings at Kalaupapa. Concerning Paschoal Hall, patients we talked to wanted to see it restored to use as a community center. We suggest that ultimately Paschoal should be turned into an interpretative visitor center for the park. Documentaries on Kalaupapa could be shown there, just as movies were once shown to the patient community. The patients we talked to did not have concerns about the individual houses at Kalaupapa. For the most part they felt they should be used for whatever purpose the NPS wanted to use them.

4. The patients also had concerns about the churches, church halls and convent in Kalaupapa settlement. They wanted to see them continue to be used for religious/spiritual purposes. We suggest that so far as it is feasible, the park find a way to continue to use the churches for religious services and the other buildings for spiritual retreats. In regard to the stories of the churches at Kalaupapa, some patients expressed concerns that these stories would be overshadowed or forgotten by the larger themes of Father Damien and Mother Marianne, especially in anticipation of their elevation to sainthood in the near future. It is important to tell the stories of all the churches at Kalaupapa and the roles they played not only in the Kalaupapa community but also in the general context of the development of churches within Hawaiian history.

5. Many of the patients we talked to wanted to have the vegetative landscape of Kalaupapa settlement, that they created, preserved. Elements such as the crownflower trees were part of their lives. Cathrine Puahala remembered wearing a lei made of those crownflowers at her wedding. We recommend that the park preserve the vegetative landscape of flowers, and fruit trees and bushes within the settlement, as far as it is practical to do so. They are just as important to the feeling of the settlement as the buildings.

6. In light of Father Damien's approaching sainthood, Kalaupapa's special history, and its spectacular environment and location, it is likely that the popularity of Kalaupapa as a national park will increase. There is a concern that it will be difficult for family members of patients to visit the park, given that in some popular parks, permits and reservations sell out in just minutes of becoming available. There should be some kind of special visiting privileges granted to family members of patients who wish to visit Kalaupapa, spend time at family graves and do genealogy research.

At present, the family members of patients who have passed on can visit Kalaupapa as guests of the remaining patients or as guests of workers who know them. But in a few years there will no longer be anyone to host them at Kalaupapa. We feel that there should be some special accommodation for the family members of patients who have passed on so that they can spend a few days at the place where the patient lived. Perhaps the Caller House could be continued to be used for that purpose.

Thank you very much for your attention,

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