

Kaua`i Community Coalition Transportation Plan

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A. ALL Transportation: Not only LAND Transportation

County General Plan must address the monopolies of Air and Shipping that separate families and increase the cost of living here. Even if not under County jurisdiction, we must still provide Vision and Lobby for:

1. **Air:** Strong campaign to Lobby the State for increased competition from the Monopoly of Hawaiian Airlines. Invite Alaska Air and other responsible low cost airlines to do inter island flights. Families are separated, children and schools are ravaged, Doctor and hospital visits unaffordable.
2. **Freight:** Lobby for opening docks and harbors beyond the Monopoly of one family that controls Matson/Young Brothers. Lobby to repeal Jones Act so Shipping from Asia and from Mainland can be much cheaper.

B. Land Transportation

1. **Hire Transportation Funding & Grant Writer:** DOT and County have good Plans in place but lack funding. We Need a Transportation Funding Pro to find funding.

2. **Explain Traffic Future:** Plan needs to Describe why there's No Congestion Solution for Kapaa. Entitlements under way, Coco Palms plus 2 new Waipoli Resorts, & Future homes. State will not pay for new bridge to alleviate Kapaa Traffic nor provide emergency relief route.

3. **Bus Solution:** BUS with Free WiFi & room for luggage and Surf coming less than 15 MIN apart (SOLAR based energy)

- a. **Find Resources to pay for Bus plan.** Work with all Federal and State Agencies for grants, Tourist Fees, Drivers Fees, Tax.
- b. **Get people to use bus: Require Bus Pass.** Require that Every person on Kauai must have a Bus Pass so they know they are encouraged to hop on bus anytime without additional cost. Remove all impediments to using BUS. Residents have included in cost of drivers license or ID? Tourists must buy or pay expensive ticket with checkpoints leaving airport? No payment on board, just slide ID or Bus Pass.
- c. **Give Bus Traffic Advantage** Bus should have first Right of Way and special lanes so travel time is comparable to cars.
- d. **Bus children to and from schools on Transit Bus** (USE FED \$ for school bus for Kauai Bus)
- e. **Bus to PMRF from Airport and Harbor** (get DOD to pay for)
- f. **Bus routes directly to Airport and Kalapaki Beach & Harbor**

4. **Streamline Traffic** by Adding Roundabouts, Eliminating Left Turns & Traffic Lights in Kapaa and wherever possible

5. **Investigate paving Powerline Trail** for Emergency Relief and Security, as well as future traffic relief. Investigate Public Private Partnership and Private Funding to make this feasible.

6. **Bike Path to Kealia Beach from Kapaa High School.** Work with DOE Superintendent & DOT to implement before DOT does Kealia bridge

Suggested Changes to charts in Departmental Draft:

Table 2.1 Summary of Goals and Sectors Transportation: Promote multimodal shifts to reduce CONGESTION & COSTS FOR ALL

ADD:

Ride Share Software,

Bus App

GPS of BUS location on Phone App

Big Bus in Main Kalaheo to North Kapaa

Mini vans on short routes and night routes to lower costs (no big bus to Kekaha with 2 at night)

One Bus Pass good for all BUS and transfers

Bus Must allow surfboards and luggage

Figure 5-37 Kalaheo to Kapaa Mainline route should go to North Kapaa to access traffic from schools, not just to roundabout. Lihue Routes must go to Airport and Kalapaki!!!

Ch 2 P 60 3. Projects (Add) e. Work with DOE to design High School to Kealia Bike Bath

2.38, 3. Projects b. Increase mainline service frequency to LESS THAN 15 MINUTES.