

Permitted Interaction Groups

HAWAI‘I STATE PLANNING ACT PHASE II
TASK FORCE MEETING #5
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026
1:00PM – 2:30PM

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Scope

Overview

Proposal

- 4 Planning Issue Area PIGs
- 1 Planning Systems & Governance PIG

Purpose

- Develop recommendations for a statewide planning ecosystem that addresses key planning issues faced across the State.

Objectives

- Analyze long-range challenges and aspirations within each issue area
- Identify coordination gaps
- Articulate the role of a statewide planning system in modern context
- Review equity impacts
- Discuss potential metrics and implementation mechanisms

Approach



Series of virtual meetings (est. 6-8 between May and October 2026)



Thematic Area Briefs & Stakeholder Interviews as inputs for meetings



Vendor support for coordination, facilitation, synthesis of PIG meetings

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Planning Issue Area PIGs

There will be 4 Planning Issue Area PIGs: 1) Climate Change & Resilience, 2) Housing & Community Stability, 3) Economic Stewardship & Resilience, and 4) Culture and Place.

The PIGs' discussions will focus on:



What challenges are relevant to our planning ecosystem?



At **what scale** are these challenges present?



What should be our **planning ecosystem's role** in relation to these challenges?



What should be our **planning ecosystem's aspirations** related to these challenges?



What should our planning ecosystem **be trying to do about these challenges?**



How should progress towards those achievements **be measured?**

Planning Systems & Governance PIG

This PIG will evaluate how the planning ecosystem functions across agencies and scales, including decision-making structures, public engagement practices, data and information systems, and interagency coordination. The PIG will identify systemic barriers and opportunities to improve alignment, transparency, and effectiveness in statewide planning in addressing the stated planning issues.

The PIG's discussions will focus on:



What is the **role of the State Plan**, in terms of specific issues?



How much **"teeth" and accountability** should the State Plan have?



What kinds **of data** do we need to support the State Plan?



What kinds **of resources** do we need to support the State Plan?



What content **should live in and out** of the State Plan and/or statute?



What are our **challenges to coordination and implementation**?



What **systems and bodies** are required to improve coordination?



How can we draw from **other states' planning systems**?

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Task Force Action

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Agenda Item #3: Establish the following 4 Planning Issue PIGs that will investigate long-range challenges and aspirations, coordination gaps, the role of the statewide planning system, equity impacts, and metrics and implementation mechanisms:



a. Climate Change & Resilience: Addressing natural disasters and climate change issues by reducing risk, strengthening adaptive capacity, and enhancing the resilience of communities, ecosystems, and infrastructure. **This PIG will focus on long-term environmental change, hazard mitigation, and integrated strategies across sectors and scales.**



b. Housing & Community Stability: Cultivating the conditions necessary for people to live, remain, and thrive in their communities, including housing affordability, availability, and quality, as well as access to services, infrastructure, and safe, supportive environments. **This PIG will consider how land use, economic forces, and infrastructure systems shape community stability and displacement.**

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c. Economic Stewardship & Resilience: Advancing a resilient and locally grounded economy through responsible management of resources, support for local industries, and strategic diversification. **This PIG will consider workforce development, innovation, and the relationships between economic activity, environmental limits, and community wellbeing.**



d. Culture & Place: Harmonizing the relationships between people, land, and identity, including the protection and perpetuation of Native Hawaiian knowledge, cultural practices, heritage, and sense of place. **This PIG will examine how planning can support belonging, continuity, and meaningful connection to place across diverse communities.**

Agenda Item #4: Establish a Planning Systems & Governance PIG



The **Planning Systems & Governance PIG** will investigate how the planning ecosystem functions across agencies and scales, including decision-making structures, public engagement practices, data and information systems, and interagency coordination. **This PIG will identify systemic barriers and opportunities to improve alignment, transparency, and effectiveness in statewide planning in addressing the stated planning issues.**

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Announcements

Next Steps



- **OPSD is establishing a professional services contract to assist with:**
 - Coordinating and facilitating PIG meetings
 - Synthesizing discussions and producing outputs for Final Report



- **With support from UH, OPSD is commencing work on Thematic Area Briefs**
 - Briefs will aggregate data and serve as a resource for PIGs
 - Briefs will be sequenced based on meeting structure

Mahalo!

**The meeting recording will be posted on the OPSD
YouTube channel and minutes will be posted on the
OPSD Phase 2 Update webpage.**

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