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HB 3301 - Opposed

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There is no need for this bill as it is redundant legislation. Hawaii Revised Statute 188-22.6 (Designation of Community Based Subsistence Areas) covers the majority of the issues in this bill. It directs DLNR through administrated rule to work with communities on subsistence issues. It's already there folks! This is what happens when fish management is run through the state legislature.

There is very troubling language in HB 3301 on page 5 section C. It states,

"The department of land and natural resources, as soon as is practicable, *shall*** consult the broadest possible base of inhabitants of the communities of Honaunau and Ho'okena and interested parties as possible to establish rules for the Honaunau and Ho'okena community-based subsistence fishing area, respectively, to include but not be limited to:**

4. Any other regulation or restrictions that the inhabitants of the communities of Honaunau and Ho'okena and interested parties may recommend".

The above wording will create utter chaos as it gives any inhabitant of those communities or interested parties, the power to direct DLNR to whatever endeavor they want. The key word in section C page 5 is shall. They shall direct. Anyone with a half baked idea, according to this section, can direct DLNR to implement their idea. Not acceptable to any responsible fish management program.

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Representative Ken Ito, Chair
Representative Jon Riki Karamatsu, Vice Chair
Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources and Hawaiian Affairs

Wednesday, February 13, 2008
9:00AM, House Conference Room 312

In Opposition to HB 3301– Relating to Fishing

Good morning Chair Ito, vice chair Karamatsu and honorable committee members. I am Roy Morioka of Waialae-Iki, Oahu, a retiree and fisherman. Thank you for this opportunity to testify in opposition to this bill. I speak not in opposition to the request by the good people of Honaunau and Hookena seeking designation as a community based subsistence area. As a former resident of West Hawaii in the 1970's, I am most familiar with both areas and respect the people and their sincere effort to keep these areas "country and Hawaiian." My family and I found both areas special and respect these communities' wishes. However, I speak in opposition as I believe that this bill may be circumventing the provisions of rule making as provided by Chapter 91 through **HRS Section 188-22.6. Designation of community based subsistence fishing area** that provides the vehicle through which the Honaunau and Hookena communities can submit proposals to the department of land and natural resources for consideration.

As such, I urge the committee to hold the report and properly direct the requestor to submit their proposal to the department of land and natural resources. Thank you again for this opportunity to testify and for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Roy Morioka

To: Representative Ken Ito, Chair
Representative Jon Karamatsu, Vice Chair
Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources, Hawaiian Affairs Committee

Re: H.B.No.3301 Relating to fishing

Aloha Chair Ito, Vice Chair Karamatsu and to the Committee,

I am writing as a resident of the Island of Hawaii, and not in any official role. I support of the concept of this bill as originally written but I am not in support of the statutory underlined language added to this bill after it was given to the house and senate, including b(1),(2),(3),(4).

I am one of several people who work with the students and adults of the Honaunau and Hookena areas. We study the marine and coastal resources by monitoring specific sites in those areas. Increased use from visitors and resident populations has brought these two areas to a point which has the potential for real conflict between/among multiple user interests.

A subsistence fishing area management concept, similar to that legislated for Milolii Village was the original intent of this bill. These areas should be managed with a mind to carrying capacity for all activities. These communities are willing to take on the task of working with DLNR and other users to generate rules focused on sustainable fishing practices and shoreline harvesting.

Sincerely,

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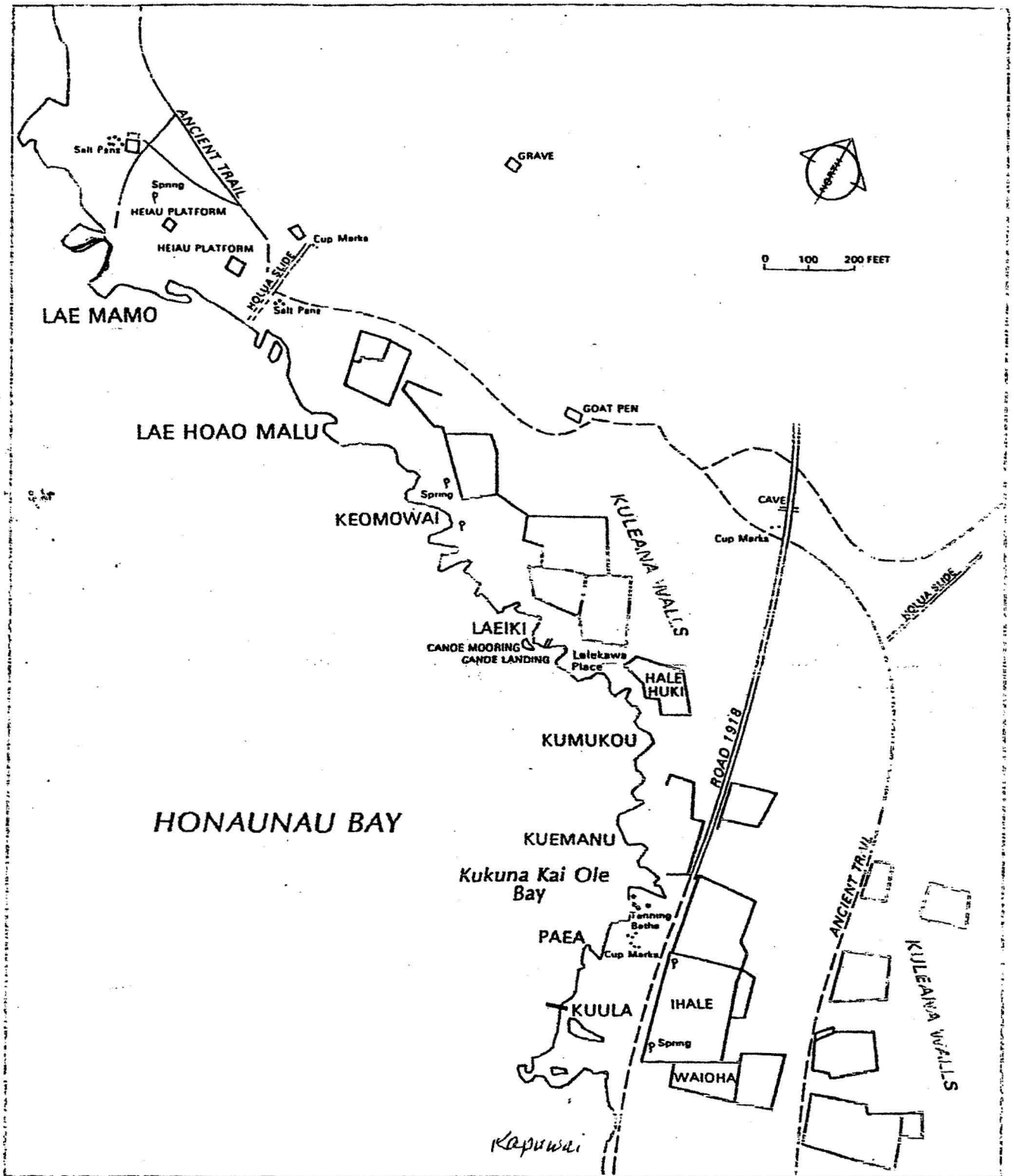


Fig. 14.1. HŌNAUNAU BAY AREA (After Stokes 1919).

Illustration 146. Drawing showing significant prehistoric and historic sites along the coast of Hōnaunau Bay, 1919. Figure 14.1 in Stokes. "Features Pertaining to Early Hawaiian Life," p. 212.