

Molokai

Written Comment Form

Hawai'i Interisland Renewable Energy Program: Wind

Comments must be postmarked by March 1, 2011.

Thank you for participating in the public meeting process for the Hawai'i Interisland Renewable Energy Program: Wind - Environmental Impact Statement. We invite you to use this form to provide your public comments for consideration as we prepare for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

When providing your comments, please be as specific as possible. Also, please write clearly so we can read your comments. If you complete this form at today's meeting, you can drop it in the comment box provided. If you do not wish to complete your comments during this meeting, this form is designed so you can take it home, fill it out, and easily mail it in (see the other side for directions). Your input into this scoping process is needed and appreciated. If you wish to be notified of the availability of the Draft EIS, please check here [] and provide your name, mailing address and/or e-mail address below.

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COMMENTS

"We" don't know who's going to own it, who's going to maintain it, but we do know who's going to pay for it—the tax payers—us! Who makes up the peak energy load when the wind quits blowing, which it does? MECO can't make up that difference in 5 minutes. It takes nearly a whole day. There will be blackouts. Wind power is the most commercially available and economically viable option at the present time. What will the next option cost us? We are already facing a 14 billion dollar national debt. States are going bankrupt, where do you think additional federal funding is going to come from?—print more money? Increase inflation? I agree we need to be less dependent on imported fuel. But I can't support a project that supports Oahu without providing Molokai residents with their fair share of savings. We know how long it takes Maui County to provide any kind of permit. We have paid more than our share to Maui in numerous ways. Now you ask us to support Oahu to whom we can credit for the outrageous shipping costs we have borne for years. You speak of initial costs. What of the cost of upgrades. We are not stupid here. We have seen what the federal govt. has done with our money and all its mismanagement and political corruption. Dream on! I'd prefer

How much is it going to cost to continue the process, paper, research, personnel etc. etc. etc. when the community says no?

individual home windmills, solar and biomass power sources.