

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Agricultural Community: A residential settlement developed on land designated and zoned Agriculture. This term is used to describe a “secondary intent” for Agriculture land “to provide an opportunity for Kaua‘i citizens to reside in an agricultural area.” [See Chapter 5, Section 5.2.1(e).]

Conserve, conservation: The verb “to conserve” means to keep from being damaged, lost or wasted. It connotes use of resources while managing them for long-term sustainability.

Density: Describes the intensity of land use. Zoning standards typically give a maximum density, expressed as a number of units per acre for residential and resort uses and as a floor-to-land area ratio for commercial and industrial uses. The Agriculture zoning district has two density standards: number of subdividable lots (varies according to size of lot to be subdivided) and number of single-family residences per subdivided lot (varies according to size of each subdivided lot).

Development Plan: A detailed plan for a specific geographic area of the County of Kauai, as authorized by Sec. 14.07 of the County Charter. Development Plans existing as of 1999 are codified in Chapter 10, KCC, “Special Development Plans.” The policy governing future Development Plans is contained in Chapter 1. Section 1.4.1(b) defines the purpose of a Development Plan. Section 1.5.2.3 sets forth policy for initiating and preparing new Development Plans.

Development Plan Report: This term refers to the detailed Development Plan documents produced as part of the original set of six Development Plans during the 1970s and the 1980 update of the North Shore DP. Only certain aspects of these plan reports were adopted as part of the Development Plan Ordinances (Chapter 10, KCC). The reports serve as reference documents.

Heritage Resources: Physical features, structures, or views that are of historic, cultural, biological, or scenic value. Heritage resources are to be sustained for the use and enjoyment of future generations.

Important Agricultural Lands: Under a 1978 State Constitution amendment, the State Legislature is mandated to identify and preserve “important agricultural lands.” Building on previous efforts (Land Study Bureau and ALISH), the Legislature convened the Hawai‘i Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Commission (LESA Commission) in the 1980s. As of 1999, the Legislature has taken no action on the Commission’s recommended rating system. (See Chapter 4, Section 4.3.2.)

Landform: A topographic feature such as a mountain or a stream valley. Important landforms are shown on the Heritage Resources Map. In addition to being scenic features, many landforms have important cultural and historic associations. (See Chapter 3, Sections 3.1 and 3.2.)

Preserve, preservation: The verb “to preserve” means to protect, to prevent harm. It connotes an active program of preventing harm to identified resources, such as by placing an area in a “refuge” (i.e., National Wildlife Preserve) or a “natural area reserve” (State designation).

Residential Community: General Plan Land Use Map designation for residential use at densities of one to 20 units per acre, along with commercial and light industrial uses. It replaces the previous GP LUM designations “Urban Residential” and “Rural Residential.” (See Chapter 5, Section 5.4.3.)

Scenic Roadway Corridor: Major roadways and the lands visible from those roadways, predominantly covering Agriculture- and Open-designated areas between urban areas. (See Chapter 5, Section 5.5.)

Special Development Plans: The title given to Development Plans adopted prior to 2000.

Special Streams: Natural, undiverted streams that have outstanding habitat for native aquatic species or recovery habitat for threatened and endangered waterbirds. Compiled by the Office of State Planning based on the *Hawai‘i Stream Assessment* report and consultation with expert biologists.

Urban Center: General Plan Land Use Map designation for major urban areas, providing for the full range of resort, residential, commercial and industrial uses. It replaces the previous GP LUM designation “Urban Mixed Use.” (See Chapter 5, Section 5.4.1.)

ACRONYMS

ADU	Additional Dwelling Unit
ADVC	Average Daily Visitor Census
ALISH	Agricultural Lands of Importance, State of Hawai‘i
CAC	Citizens Advisory Committee to the 1998-2000 General Plan Update project.
CPR	Condominium Property Regime: A State statute and related regulations providing for the division and separate ownership of rights in a single zoning lot (subdivided lot) of real property. A CPR of an Apartment-zoned lot typically provides for individual ownership of each apartment unit together with a partial undivided interest in the underlying lot. Similarly, a CPR of an Agriculture-zoned lot typically provides for ownership of a certain portion of the zoning lot together with an entitlement to construct a single-family residence on that portion of the zoning lot. Under the CZO, up to five single-family residences may be developed on a single Agriculture-zoned lot, depending on the acreage of the zoning lot.
CZM	Coastal Zone Management: Refers to the Hawai‘i Coastal Zone Management Act and Program, enabled by HRS Chapter 205A.
CZO	Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 8, Revised County Ordinances.
DBEDT	Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, State of Hawai‘i.
DHHL	Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, State of Hawai‘i.
DLNR	Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawai‘i.
DOA	Department of Agriculture, State of Hawai‘i.
DOBOR	Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation, Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawai‘i.
DOH	Department of Health, State of Hawai‘i.
DOT	Department of Transportation, State of Hawai‘i: Includes Airports, Harbors and Highways Divisions.
DOW	Department of Water, County of Kaua‘i.
DPW	Department of Public Works, County of Kaua‘i.
GP LUM	General Plan Land Use Map: Adopted as part of the General Plan, designates general land uses.
HRS	Hawai‘i Revised Statutes: The official codification of State statutes.

HTA	Hawai'i Tourism Authority: Appointed that oversees tourism policy for the State of Hawai'i.
KCHA	Kaua'i County Housing Agency, part of Offices of Community Assistance, County of Kaua'i.
KEDB	Kaua'i Economic Development Board: Private non-profit organization that advocates for economic development on Kaua'i; members include landowners and large companies.
KHPRC	Kaua'i Historic Preservation Review Commission, County of Kaua'i.
KCC	Kaua'i County Code: The official codification of County ordinances by chapter, article and section. The General Plan is codified as Chapter 8, KCC.
LESA	Land Evaluation and Site Assessment: A system proposed by the LESA Commission for evaluating and mapping important agricultural lands; submitted to the Legislature but not adopted.
OCA	Offices of Community Assistance, County of Kaua'i: Includes the Kaua'i County Housing Agency, the Office of Elderly Affairs, and the County Transportation Agency.
OED	Office of Economic Development, County of Kaua'i.
OHA	Office of Hawaiian Affairs, State of Hawai'i, mandated by the State Constitution.
SHPD	State Historic Preservation Division, Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawai'i.
SMA	Special Management Area: Land use regulations applied to coastal areas, according to Rules and maps adopted by the Planning Commission, mandated by the Hawai'i Coastal Zone Management Act, HRS Chapter 205A. SMA regulations are applied as an overlay of – i.e., in addition to – land use regulations of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior: Federal agency charged with administering the Endangered Species Act; controls and manages National Wildlife Refuges at Hanalei, Hulē'ia, and Kīlauea.