## COMMENTS: Small Meetings (Approach #1)

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- Oahu
- Molokai
- Maui
- Kauai

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Determine your information to have enough above, do you do? Please check off the box(es) below:

- No
- Yes

Based on your feedback, who gets to decide? Committee or some kind of advisory board to decide?

- Committee
- Advisory Board

Is there going to be a breakdown of how the profit is going to be used? How do we go? Who will provide that oversight?

- Yes
- No

Money? Like rail. Where did the money go. If we get a license, where does the money go? Who is going to provide oversight to the department on what happens with the money?Who is going to provide oversight?

- Yes
- No

Visitors need to be charged way more than residents

- Yes
- No

I agree with giving seniors and children and low-income fishers a break

- Yes
- No

No. All jargon at this point. What is the purpose? Is goal to lesson the number of people who opposes it. We see things get pushed through even if it doesn't make sense. Local boy network. Then you can't do anything after its done. This feels rushed. Good to include us in the conversation, but this is rushed too.

- Yes
- No

Rhode Island we got boarded. We don't have an enforcement presence here. You can make rules and laws, but if no one is checking it, what is the point?

- Yes
- No

Everyone's input can be a little skewed. Fishing takes, local communities, the state of the art. No enforcement presence here. You can make rules and laws, but if no one is checking it, what is the point?

- Yes
- No

I got stopped at Haleiwa boat harbor. Looked in my cooler. Said it was an illegal sized Uhu. It was a menpachi. We argued it for so long and asked for the size. I can't use them. Enforcement should be on the top of the list of what department will do with the money. I would love for someone to come ask to see my code. I'm a fish. I'm only going to put it out and let the state know where it is. If it was as illegal fishing by someone that I trust. I have someone who has been turned to other places. Pleas Kreikke - your brothers are gone without policing. I've seen people pull those things out of the water and let the law official SIMD to the laws. I'm not going to go. I've seen others.

- Yes
- No

Wealth of information from Florida that you can research on what they did. Working models are already published more or less.

- Yes
- No

Key is policing size and bag limits.

- Yes
- No

More revenue in the long run. More enforcement. If they go out and ticket people, you need to give them a citation - builds revenue on top of license fee. If money is going to policing --

- Yes
- No

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- Yes
- No

If you have additional comments, please write them below:

[Your comments here]

We all want to see the fisheries prosper and recover.

- Yes
- No
What island of fishing practitioners? Hawaiian traditional Boatfisher; Shoreline fisher; Spearfisher; Native (Retail or Dealer)? boat fisher; Supply Boatfisher; Charter Spearfisher; of the all the user check off the box(es)

Based on someone taking care of fishery rather than someone who doesn't have a job. Waivers license? other cultural systems for regulating fishing? Like Palau. Is there any way to just focus of our sustainable fishermen, that's how they sustain their families. They go fishing. be? Is it going to up every few years? Is it just going to go to the General Fund? Some a fee. We fish sustainably. DLNR has enough money. How much is the fee going to be? Is it possible to have a third party vendor manage the entire rec fishing license have here?

What languages is this license requirement and rules going to be comunicated in? a recreational license, I'm not going to support it. Will commercial license supersede the rec license? Will you many of them partake in ocean rec that would require a license. What are the funds going to be used for? Will that be a sore point for fishers. Will commercial license supersede the rec license? Will you

Who should DLNR consult during its decision-

There are some people outside who do noncommercial fishing. Some people who live here and do sportfishing. I wouldn't mind charging sports fishers. I wouldn't want someone trying to feed their family to charge people when they are feeding the fish that they grew?

One of the thing we talk about is opelu fishing in south kona. You feed fish first six months, then you can fish for them in the opelu seasons. Why would you have regulations, because there is no requirement to get a license and there's no follow through.

You could work overtime if you knew how to patch nets. I was the only one who could do it. I had fun. It's a dying art. Making people register lay nets killed an art. It's dying now, because no one wants to do it anymore. Most fishermen who are organized (part of fishing partners. You'll get general push back. No. How much is it going to cost. Provide more info about statistics. What is the
down through generations. My dad taught me - now my kids have to pay for what my dad taught me? Maybe the state should pay me to teach them. It's been passed

If you have additional comments, please write them below:

Department should have an information table distributing info on the new license requirement in all the languages of the rec fishers we need to reach out through fishponds and organized fishermen - it's all about the language in the letter is just jargon. What is our break-even point? I'm a numbers person. If it doesn't make sense on numbers, I can't support it. Will commercial license supersede the rec license? Will you

Until something is rolled. They will have officers. The people who will be responsible for enforcing it. Right now, they are not consulted and something is needed. They will have more info. They are the ones on the front lines!

Making people register by using self-certified. It's doing more, because we need to talk to our culture representatives. Autonomous marine area in our body. Wehakeko - they are something we're not thinking about, and others. Kids are in the water every day.

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I'd like to see a stamp system to be included in the license system that needs to be heavily managed! You could probably combine the way to get license at the store or online. DOCARE should be in charge if they are going to enforce it, and DAR would be a side arm.

I think the fishermen have already been thinking about this issue. DLNR needs to show where the money is going and I want to see budget and transparency. Can the money be used for fisheries aquaculture for Pacific island nations. It brings in the ahupuaa system. Mālama category- it's all in the details how you gonna separate, determine, but I like that idea of visitors having to pay a fee. A lot of people who come here to fish.

In order to get people to understand where the fisheries are located, there is the need of being able to find them, to find out where they are, and you talk about bag limits, you don't just give them the limits you want them to know. Do you think that is feasible with how many people we have over here now, it's hard to imagine.

For seniors 65+, handicapped, where does the license begin at? Age 5? When you sign up for the license, do you give up the right for DLNR to search your ice chest? I'd like to see a system that says it will be used for? In California, you have a limit every time you go fishing, but also money, getting and what is in the copper is fish for you. How is it allowed to fish? Everyone's resident fish, my mom, they're not in the state what it's mean to be resident fish, how do we prove where the resource is going to? How do we have it all go back to the resource? You can't not do that. It's known that all DLNR enforcement. The different rules right now is not a system that is being used, but there should be some sort of accountability for what you should know.

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What is it's impact on cultural practice? Kahalu ªu. because it encompasses the ahupuaa system. Mālama category- it's all in the details how you gonna separate, determine, but I like that idea of visitors having to pay a fee.

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As kids are learning about this resource, DLNR would need to be used for. There are a lot of options for kids to talk about fishing, but there should be some sort of accountability for what you should know. Do you think that is feasible with how many people we have over here now, it's hard to imagine.

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I've been watching the 2 lb moi. In the last 2 years, there's no 2 lb moi. That's the size that breeds all the babies. Where would you go to pick it up? In a fishing store? Just don't have it at the DMV.

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If you answered "no," what additional information may be missing? What is the goal for DLNR for proposing this system? But something needs to be done.

There's laws on catch limits, and size limits. IF native Hawaiians get the licence for free, would the laws change over time, and is it something that evolves, if there's a way to know that its for sure going back to the fisheries, then I would support it. Don't pay and that would be a good system. I think everyone's reaction at first is no way cuz the trust isn't there for what it's meant to do.

In California, you have a limit every time you go fishing, but also money, getting and what is in the copper is fish for you. How is it allowed to fish? Everyone's resident fish, my mom, they're not in the state what it's mean to be resident fish, how do we prove where the resource is going to? How do we have it all go back to the resource? You can't not do that. It's known that all DLNR enforcement. The different rules right now is not a system that is being used, but there should be some sort of accountability for what you should know.

Maybe if you register with OHA, Native Hawaiians don't have to pay. One-time class requirement. Like jet ski classes - you only take it one time and you're covered forever - take one time pay that one time. Lived in California for 10 years. Seen how the mainland licensing system works. Gotta buy a year license.

If you have additional comments, please write them below.
What island of O'ahu reside on?

What kind of fishing do you do? Please check off the box(es) of all the user reservations of system within the department? If they build a pier for fishers somewhere, that's a supercede an aquarium permit? Would someone getting aquarium fishers get a staff for their positions already, then how will they carry on capacity issues for this type implementation timeline. If for some reason, the license is $1, how will they pay for it? Can you pull tax from alcohol that can go toward fishing license program?

Where does the discretion come from the rights I have because they fix the pier, everyone is going to.

I need clarity on the type of category of fisher you are.

If one person does lay net, spearfish, and other gear type fishing, do you need to get 3 separate licenses?

Would this include private saltwater coastlines? Because it should.

If you go to elementary school kids and still want to keep those areas private so that you know you are going to have fish in that area.

If this is strictly for information, people want to keep those areas private so that you know you are going to have fish in that area.

If you have additional comments, please write them below:
What island of Hawai‘i do you currently reside on?

What kind of fishing do you do? Please check all that apply.

- Speargun/Hunting
- Shoreline fisher
- Tackle supplier (Retail or Wholesale)
- Hawaiian traditional Spearfisher
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What languages is this license requirement and rules going to be communicated in?

What is missing from DLNR’s preferred option?

What is the concept of a recreational license? I believe we need both. Will there be a fee for each license? Will there be a recreational license for out-of-state visitors? How will the funds be spent? Will there be a recreational license for out-of-state visitors?

What languages is this license requirement and rules going to be communicated in?

Will that require catch reporting?

If you answered “no,” what additional information may be missing?

If you have additional comments, please write them below:
Does the current DLNR fish management system have enough resources to properly manage O‘ahu’s fisheries?

Currently, there is a lack of enforcement presence in federal waters. Even if you don’t sell, you need a commercial license. How are they going to distribute the money? Are they going to sell them to the public or to the businesses that are actively fishing? Is there a need for money for the department? The department lost money when they were precluded from charging higher fees for commercial licenses. Department has lost money to support the state and they want us to pay. There is a need for money for the department. Florida did not know how much it would take for their ban on gill netting. Water is a better resource. Sometimes people will make the wrong decision, so we need to get feedback from the regular people.

When did they get the idea to ask for money? How are they going to distribute the money? Do you support or oppose the idea? What is the purpose? Are the goals to lesson the number of people fishing in O‘ahu? How much would our license go for? What is the purpose of it? How does the money go back into the enforcement program? What is the purpose? Is the purpose to lesson the number of people fishing? Is the purpose to generate more money for management? I’d totally be for it. The letter is too vague. Not sure how much it’s going to cost. How are people going to distribute the money? How are they going to generate money? If they did licenses and it actually got used to enforce the rules, I would support it. How are they going to distribute the money? How much would an enforcement license cost? How many more DLNR officers would that add to our island? How much would our license go for? How much would it cost?

No. It’s a lot of money—government—get people used to the idea. It’s a lot of money today. More enforcement. You can make rules and laws, but if no one is checking it, what is the point? How are they going to distribute the money? How many officers? How many more? How much would our license go for? Do they have a baseline to go off of? Who will provide that oversight? How much money? Like rail. Where did the money go. If we get a license, where does the money go? How are they going to distribute the money? How are they going to distribute the money? How much would our license go for? How much would it cost?

No. All jargon at this point. What is the purpose? Is the purpose to lesson the number of people fishing? Have they even thought about it? More enforcement. You can make rules and laws, but if no one is checking it, what is the point? How are they going to distribute the money? How much would our license go for? How much would it cost?

Everyone here in this group has been personally involved in leg hearings, going to the state leg, land board meetings, going to talk story sessions with DAR, statement but that’s what it is if you look into it. There is a need for money for the department. Dept lost money when they were precluded from charging higher fee for commercial license. Dept has lost money to support the state and they want us to pay. There is a need for money for the department. Florida did not know how much it would take for their ban on gill netting. Did not compute as good business. How are they going to distribute the money? How much would our license go for? How much would it cost? Preference to do outreach once guys are busted. On the east coast, the striped bass came back. Showed the strength of the fishery. They had a license, bag limits, and enforcements. Could you provide more information on why we need this and what it is that we need this money for? Is the purpose to lesson the number of people fishing? How much would our license go for? How much would it cost?
O’ahu is the island that you’re hoping to go to. What is the island of Hawaii that you’re planning to visit?

Boatfisher: Shoreline fisher; what option? Our DLNR’s stance on information to have enough of the all the users do you do? Yes or No. what were the other options? What were the pros and cons of the other options? If we don’t have knowledge of what they are how do we know? What is the big plan after do you think they are going to take what we have said? What is the opportunity for them to be catching? What is the opportunity for them to be catching something? Extrapolation based on estimate of fishermen - Catch reports make a big difference for ACLs - Best available data is all you have. ACLs - when commercial fishing ends, all fishing ends.

We are trying to work out details so that all stakeholders are involved. We need to understand that we don’t want to be in a position to make a decision without the input of the fisherman. We need to get the fisherman involved because they have the knowledge and experience of the fishery. We need to work with partners because there are ways. If the MRIP survey changes are communicated to the public - we need to make sure that everyone understands what is happening. If everyone understands that they want non-commercial data - letter is just a part of how you get there.

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I think it's worth asking how we can work together. We need to ensure that we are going to get good data, and that we are engaging in discussions to improve the process. If we don't have the right data, we won't be able to make informed decisions. We need to be able to understand the current state of the resource and how it is changing over time.

Bruce Anderson suggested that we might consider creating a consulting committee to help us with this process. This could be a way to bring in outside expertise and ensure that we are making informed decisions. However, we need to be careful not to create a situation where the committee is more powerful than the decision-makers. We need to ensure that we are still in control of the process and that the committee is not making decisions on our behalf.

Bruce Anderson also mentioned the possibility of creating a fiscal framework to support the decision-making process. This could be a way to ensure that we are able to sustain the resource and provide for future generations. However, we need to be careful not to create a situation where the fiscal framework is more powerful than the decision-makers. We need to ensure that we are still in control of the process and that the fiscal framework is not making decisions on our behalf.

In summary, we need to ensure that we are making good decisions. We need to ensure that we are getting good data, and that we are engaging in discussions to improve the process. We need to be careful not to create a situation where the committee or the fiscal framework is more powerful than the decision-makers. We need to ensure that we are still in control of the process and that we are making informed decisions.
Is O'ahu the island of Hawaii do you reside on? currently

Please choose the best option:

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

What island of Hawaii do you reside on?

Please choose the best option:

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

What kind of fishing do you do? Please describe:

Please choose the best option:

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

If you answered “no,” what additional information may be missing?

What is missing from DLNR’s preferred option?

Please choose the best option:

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

Why isn’t there a forum where you ask everyone to submit something or something to show that they’re making progress? Talk to other places where it works. Alaska did it. We’ve been approached by a government official to do something like this. He recommended it.

What is missing from DLNR’s preferred option?

Please choose the best option:

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

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<th>Shoreline fishermen. Sometimes the fishermen who do it day in and day out - subsistence and alternative food source - can tell you more than any scientist about what's happening - behavior of the fish, condition of the resource. Scientist only goes out for set amount of time - doesn't reflect the cycle. Our knowledge and upbringing comes in to play. Other groups to talk to - manufacturers - economically - fishing industry is billion dollar industry - Hawaii has seen increase in spear guns, levers - economically a system like this may result in lost income. Small guys who do it as a hobby - may not buy as much. Do outreach at supply stores.</th>
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| Kaua‘i | Shoreline fisher; Beaufish; Spearfisher; Native Hawaiian traditional fishing practitioner | No | No. There is broken trust. What is their planned efforts to improve fishing? What is their effort to improve the fisheries across the state? | If the state is trying to make money, just require a license for any vessel above 11 feet. They would make a killing. All the stand up paddles, surf boards, anything considered as a watercraft. Don't need to charge the fishermen. They should consider that idea because of all the sand. Ask to get it dredged. Some of the local fishermen were looking at getting the equipment on their own and doing it themselves, because they rely on it for their livelihood. The fishermen are getting nuked with something new everytime we turn around. On Kauai - changing fishing styles and habits. Tour boats are putting people in places that used to be reserved for specific kinds of fishing. Net fishing - fish come in to lay eggs in net fishing. Now the net fisheries are all full of tourists. Fish don't come in to lay. They lay in the deep water where they are more vulnerable to predation. Queen's Bath, Kalihiwai. That's one of the biggest reasons that there's no more fish, but that's not reflected in the scientific data. If CBSFA rules are put in place that say you only can catch X amount of fish in this area, it should not apply to only some people. It should apply to all. After the floods, after they closed off the area, someone saw all these fishermen on the reef in the CBSFA area. How is that fair? If you get this started, fishermen aren't going to tell you how much they catch - might lead to something more drastic. Putting in permitting for fishing - going to get push back - some rely on it for living, some for subsistence for daily intake of food. Don't know what the happy medium would be. | If you have additional comments, please write them below: |
What island of Hawai'i do you currently reside on?

What kind of fishing do you do? Please check off the (box(es)) of the user group(s) you associate yourself with:
- Shoreline fisher;
- Spearfisher;
- Native Hawaiian traditional fishing practitioner

Based on DLNR's letter above, do you have enough information to determine your stance on DLNR's preferred option?

If you answered “no,” what additional information may be missing?

Who should DLNR consult during its decision-making process?

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Nothing in the letter that talks about conservation. What about all of the other things affecting the health of the fisheries? So many pollutants from offshore and coming from our own shores. There’s nothing the state can do that I trust them to do when implementing money. They put in the General Fund and then they move it everywhere. No one here trusts them because of that. If they are going to do it, they should start it with no fee. I don’t mind putting my name on a list as a fisher. I don’t want to get charged. They need to have waivers/exemptions for handicapped people – not just seniors and children.

They’ve already taken funds from the TAT for DLNR - this is just more money for what they want to do. We won’t see anything manifested from the other than more security presence. They take more money and it never gets back to benefit the tax payer. Rail is the ultimate example – neighbor islands getting their TAT funds cut back to benefit the rail on Oahu. It’s not just lack of regulation. There are just rules that just don’t get enforced.

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DAR will never reach enough money to solve the problem. I go down and cut all the drift nets off the rocks – get baby lobsters and fish stuck inside, dying. Even if we as a local community went down every day to clean up coastal waters, we still get an influx of new rubbish everyday from offshore. The State should be going after getting money to clean up the ocean - not getting money from fishermen. All the rubbish they get off the coast they can send to Hpower to burn to meet Hpower’s quota. We’re going to need money - big money - coming from offshore. I’m for improving data.

Plenty of people want to see things implemented, but they don’t trust the state. People like to tag, because they want to learn more about the fish. We don’t want to be better fishermen - don’t want to be gluttonous.

I don’t trust the state of Hawaii at all - but if they want to make a website where I can go and voluntarily say what I caught, I would do that. The State of Hawaii is full of waste, fraud, and abuse. The state is not capable of using the money well.

Kaua'i

Kaua'i shoreline fisher; spearfisher; Native Hawaiian traditional fishing practitioner

After this think tank goes through, is this just a rubber stamp? There is enough for me to say no to this. What about the guys who want to tag along at the spur of the moment? Do they have to get a license? How will that affect the number of people who fish? What will they use the money for? Where’s the plan? Need to get a more holistic approach. I want to see a spreadsheet that’s itemized of how the funds are going to be spent to help the resources - specific activities that will benefit the fisheries. If a huge part of the funds goes to monitoring the pH, replanting coral, reducing impact on the habitat from pollution – I might be able to support it. But I want to see exactly how it’s going to be used before I support giving the department any more power to regulate fishing. The only way that this community will support it is if the plan is so sound, we can all agree that’s where we need to go. The state needs to come to me with a plan so sound that I could take it to a bank and get it funded. Right now, there is not enough information. How will they circumnavigate the Hawai‘i water and access rights laws with this license?

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**DLNR’s preferred option**

- DLNR’s preferred option doesn’t mention any data for improved management. This looks like it’s only about money. I wanna see enforcement on illegal fishing, poaching, and social media. People catching personally for bragging rights. DLNR has gotta respond to that – especially when catching out of season. I wanna see education in the schools and community education – a flier in the airplanes about how to fish responsibly, if you’re gonna buy a speargun when you land. If you are going to shoot it, you gotta eat it. Be responsible – if they are only catching fish to post on social media and not catching to eat, that’s not responsible.

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**DLNR’s preferred option**

- DLNR’s preferred option only can be enforced against the US. There are 30-40 vessels in NWHI fishing right now, but because they aren’t US ships, the Coast Guard cannot enforce against them. We create rules that just make it harder on us but don’t fix the problem.

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**DLNR’s preferred option**

- It may be transparent but people are losing faith in the system.

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- It’s the Department’s plan that you get the frustration in the communities so high for no funding that they’ll support something like this? That’s what feels like. It’s on purpose.

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- If our resources are so important, why do they get so little money for their budgets? Ige and Suzanne Case - why are they not increasing the budget so they can do more?
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<td>We are not going to support this - they are just trying to get more money for a secret agenda. All the cars are outweighing the pros right now. We need transparency. A clear, specific agenda. Need to have DAR here to answer questions. If I have to pay a license, as long as I know the money is being put to good use and I see progress of marine life coming back I could live with that. But if it's 5 years, we don't see any improvements in marine life - nothing's coming back, you're going to have a problem. Will we see DAR getting ideas for more licenses? Shoreline charter license? Stamps for papio, ulua, etc.? Will it get to the point that people can't go to the ocean to enjoy it anymore without getting a permission from the State? That's what happened with the hunting license. It started out low, and now I pay over $100 to go hunting because of all the tags and stamps. I don't want the same thing to happen with fishing. No transparency. We don't know what the license is about. We don't know where the money is going to go. What are you going to do for us? What are you going to do for the environment? What is DAR doing about the invasive species? We are taking care of that ourselves. They aren't incentivating taking these species. There is a market for them. Why don't they set up programs to incentivize the people to take care of these issues? Provide payments for cleaning up marine debris? Incentivize purse seiners to wipe out invasives instead of akule? DAR wants to protect uhu. What's the fish that loves to eat uhu? Roi. They jumped in the water blew me away. No regulation. DLNR is failing. Sounds like DAR is already decided to do that already. A license is going to create poachers. License will cause decline in economy from fishing industry. People are not going to want to keep going - free-feeding sparse fishing. It's a multi-million dollar industry. It's going to be discouraged. I've never seen the Harbor master. I've only seen the dock repaired once in my life. There's no management at the harbor. You can't even launch a boat. There's too many commercial permits being issued. State needs to at least limit when the commercial guys can launch to give locals a window for when they know they can launch their boats. Why is the State giving out so many permits and not fixing our harbors?</td>
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<td>If the money is going to be put into enforcement and regulation, I can see that - you'll see positive results in marine life. If the money just goes into the general fund, don't need it. Each island should keep a percentage of the money from that island. Like half the money stays on the island from the fees. If you are going to implement it, we need crisp, clear, transparency. Put the money in a special fund, not the General Fund. Show how it will be used for enforcement, marine management, conservation, regulation, data, and education to get positive outcomes. Not just to fund more government jobs. Until then, with State of Hawai'i's reputation, you won't get support. If DAR wants to start a fishing license program, it needs to get the money from someone else. If license does go through, I'd like to see a fixed price. I don't want to see a price go up every year. I don't want to see tags and stamps for specific species. I want one price for next 100 years or at least a long time. I also want to see one fishing license for all types of noncommercial fishing -- diving, trolling, everything. I would want the license to become revoked, if you don't file catch report. Not fines, but just revoke the license when you don't file.</td>
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<td>Management practices are not solely a western concept. People were managing their resources around the Pacific. People had traditional management practices. DAR/DLNR approach seems very western. There is an opportunity to look at the practices across the Pacific - use communities and management practices. First responders - these guys go out and manage the places they fish. DAR should access these fishers - how can you participate in the management of your community/places? I want to see DLNR survey their own staff. Enforcement and DAR. They will know critical information that will be required for this. Are they preapred to enforce it? How do they feel about current enforcement efforts? Community perception is that they do it badly</td>
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<td>The more public you get involved and the more wide the answers are going to be. The faster you get this out to the public the better. Otherwise it will get out of hand. To announce the big format community meetings Radio announcement - put flyer in 2 fishing stores on the island</td>
<td>Any surveys done strictly on Oahu - fishing community on other islands are totally different. Different style and mentality. I went to a conference on the mainland - at the time Feds recognized commercial and recreational fishermen. Hawaiʻi is different. We are not recreational. We sell some, we share with neighbors and families. We don't play with our food. We eat our fish. I have a CML. I only have it DLNR is still making the decisions.</td>
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<td>They reviewed 4 options. This is there preferred option. They are not showing us the other options were. That's not right. Feds finally gave noncommercial designation to Hawaii. Is the state going to do that too? Do they have a recreational license? Are they going to do that for marine? Need to clarify if people who have a noncommercial license will still be able to sell their fish. Would you have to both a commercial and noncommercial? What if we aren't selling a few fish to pay for gas and trip costs? Will there be categories/tiers on the CML side to work out how commercial and noncommercial work together?</td>
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<td>More groups of people who know each other - can get deeper comments - specific meetings - by region or the type of fishing that you do - we want to hear how you guys in this area with specific kind of fishing - people who have the same type of fishing practice - can bounce off of each other - Even by age - get kupuna - get the keiki (will be theirs as well) - when child is asked about their input - don’t know what they’ll say but it’s important - bring it to the university - marine biology department - Hawaiian studies department - available for college students as well. Two stores that every fisher goes to - print out information for the meeting - print out the report - identify the options and what DLNR considers - they can grab a copy and take it with them - who are other people that you folks think we should ask - fishermen know fishermen - get the info to contact them - people know people - best way to</td>
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