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## MAUNA KEA STEWARDSHIP AND OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY (MKSOA) BOARD MEETING

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### MEETING AGENDA

**Thursday, January 8, 2026 - 10:00 am**  
**In person at 640 N. A'ohōkū Place, Hilo, HI**

This agenda and the listed submittals will be provided in the Board Packet. This meeting will be held using interactive conference technology under section 92-3.7, Haw. Rev. Stat. (HRS). Board members, staff, applicants, testifiers, and the public can choose to participate in person, online via Zoom, or by telephone.

**The public may also view the live meeting via its live stream at:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@MaunaKeaSOA>

**To Provide Written Testimony:** We encourage interested persons to submit written testimony in advance of the meeting, which will be distributed to Board members prior to the meeting and allow a timely review. Please submit written testimony via email to: [mka.testimony@hawaii.gov](mailto:mka.testimony@hawaii.gov). Written testimonies can also be mailed to: 640 A'ohōkū Place, Hilo, HI 96720. Written testimonies may be posted upon the Board of Land and Natural Resources meeting website; as a precaution, *please be mindful with any personal information prior to submitting unless you intend it to be shared*. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the record and distributed to Board members as soon as practicable, but we cannot ensure the Board will receive it in sufficient time to review, prior to decision-making.

**To Provide In-Person Oral Testimony (masks are appreciated):** Attend in-person at: 640 N. A'ohōkū Place, Hilo, HI, 96720

**To Provide Testimony by Telephone:** On the day of the meeting at the start of the agenda item you wish to testify on, dial 1-669-444-9171 (Zoom), input Meeting ID: 986 9951 5770, Passcode: 523433

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- I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME PROTOCOL**
- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**
- III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 11, 2025 REGULAR AUTHORITY MEETING**
- IV. CHAIR REPORT– Public Testimony taken (written or oral) on any of these items**
  - A. Status of Draft Legislative Bill
- V. GOVERNANCE – Public Testimony taken (written or oral) on any of these items**
- VI. ADMINISTRATION – Public Testimony taken (written or oral) on any of these items**
  - A. Report by Executive Director (ED) De Fries
    - 1. Review of MKSOA Annual Report to 33rd Legislature, 2026 Session
    - 2. Status of Hiring Process
    - 3. Organizational Chart Submitted to State Senate Ways and Means Committee (WAM)
    - 4. Update on the Formation of MKSOA Advisory Groups
    - 5. Status of Act 255 Mandate to Conduct an Assessment on Whether the University of Hawai‘i School of Astronomy Should be Relocated, in Whole or in Part, to the University of Hawai‘i at Hilo
  - B. Status of Long-Term Transition Working Group (LTTWG), Report by Member Kudo
- VII. MKSOA MANAGEMENT PLAN– Public Testimony taken (written or oral) on any of these items**
  - A. Progress Report by Kua o Wākea: Introduction of project website to fortify community engagement efforts and to keep the public informed
- VIII. CENTER FOR MAUNAKEA STEWARDSHIP (CMS) OPERATIONAL UPDATE– Public Testimony taken (written or oral) on any of these items**
  - A. Project Updates
    - 1. UKIRT Notice of Intent to Decommission (Type C) – Action Item

2. CMS Fire Mitigation Plan and Site Plan Application (Type B)  
– Action Item
3. Subaru Monitoring Equipment Upgrade (Type A) – Information  
Only

**IX. MKSOA-CMS JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (JMC) Public  
Testimony taken (written or oral) on any of these items**

- A. Update on Development of Financial Stabilization Plan

**X. FINANCE– Public Testimony taken (written or oral) on any of these items**

- A. Report by Interim Administrative Services Officer Unebasami- December  
Financial Report Including Appropriations, Budget, Expenditures, Balance

The Authority may go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(4) to consult with the Authority’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Authority’s power, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

**XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. NEXT AUTHORITY MEETING- FEBRUARY 12, 2026, 10:00AM-  
12:00PM; KŪKAHAU‘ULA, INSTITUTE FOR ASTRONOMY (IFA) 640  
N. AOHOKU PL, HILO
  1. VERIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE AND QUORUM  
(AUTHORITY MEMBERS)

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

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