

## **Laniakea/Chun's Traffic Efforts/Timeline**

### **2005**

- NSNB and NSCOC accepted to OMPO Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)
  - Antya Miller represents NSNB
  - Gil Riviere represents NS Chamber of Commerce until end of 2010
- July 2005 - Traffic and Transportation Committee created by NSNB
- 8/10/05 - Antya Miller chairs first Committee Meeting at Waialua Court House. Gil Riviere nominated by Antya Miller to Chair Committee
- Organized Committee and Sub-Committee, meeting every two weeks in the beginning
- Reviewed Laniakea Beach Support Park Plan
- Participated in the Kawailoa Beach Support Park (Chun's Reef) Study - Suggested using underpasses if road cannot be realigned.
- Requested City to defer action on these beach parks until a long range highway solution could be worked out
- Letters sent to tour operators to stop parking on Pohaku Loa Way
- Committee offered sample realignment concepts to DOT in November 2005
- CAC Member Riviere continuously lobbies OMPO to fund traffic solution
- DOT explains that best case scenario will take seven years for a solution: three years for alternatives study, two years for design and two years for construction, if no problems and full commitment to proceed.

### **2006**

- DOT Director tells NSNB that there is no funding for a Laniakea project
- DOT rejects funding for Laniakea in 2006-2008 Transportation Improvement Program
- NS Chamber of Commerce, through Laura Figueira, asks Senator Bunda to convene a meeting with all stake holders to discuss Laniakea: Representative Magaoay, Reed Matsuura for Councilman Dela Cruz, Kalani Fronda and Giorgio Calderone of Kamehameha Schools, DOT Director Rod Haraga and Ron Tsuzuki, DLNR Director Peter Young, Laura Figueira, Antya Miller, John Moore, and Gil Riviere of Chamber attend. DOT claims project would be very expensive. Sen. Bunda asks them to figure out cost and return. At second meeting, DOT says they need \$1.2 Million for Traffic Alternatives Study. Senator Bunda immediately responds, "Done!"

### **2007**

- DOT rejects OMPO suggested traffic study for Laniakea
- Legislature funds \$1.2 M CIP specifically for the Laniakea Study
- DOT employee decides to expand study to include whole "corridor" from Haleiwa Bypass through Waimea Bay instead of original scope of project. Once Gil and Antya find out what's happening, Antya with Laura's help sets up meeting with DOT Director Brennan Morioka and gets project back on track. This delays project for two years.
- Traffic Committee's meetings become less frequent because Laniakea project is finally funded. Committee continues to focus on other NS traffic issues.

### **2008**

Nothing done by DOT. Laura continues to try to get project going with frequent calls from Gil and Antya trying to figure out what's happening.

### **2009**

CIP Funds Lapse. \$1.7 M reprogrammed for Traffic Alternatives Study

### **2010**

Laura is appointed Senator to fill Senator Bunda's remaining term when he resigns to run for Lt. Gov. Senator Figueira persists with DOT and gets money released to hire consultant and commence study.

### **2011**

1/27/2011 - PB Americas receives contract

5/25/2011 - Public Scoping Meeting at Haleiwa Elementary School. Project estimated to begin in July, 2011 - Three Public Meetings and eight Advisory Group Meetings are expected over 18 months. The study will have community involvement and technical, environmental studies of potential solutions.

## 2012

- 1/25/2012 - First Laniakea Task Force Meeting - Dinner and instamatic cameras provided
- 4/18/2012 - Second Laniakea Task Force Meeting - Dinner and discussion about how hard it will be to execute any solution. Community demands relief now with short-term solutions.
- Additional meetings - and presumably the traffic alternatives study - put on hold as DOT says they need to focus on short-term solution.
- By mid-year, DOT considers three study projects: No Parking, and two versions of one-way in and one-way out.
- DOT begins talks with City about indemnification for their property in parking area.

## 2013

Laniakea Traffic worse than ever. Community is upset and wants action.

- July 2013 DOT and City cannot agree on who will take liability for City portion of parking area and DOT recommends placement of barriers.
- August 15, 2013 NSNB T & T Committee meets. 75 people attended. Motion made to block off parking which passed 69 ayes, 4 nays, and 2 abstentions.
- North Shore Neighborhood Board motion to support placement of barriers fails.
- 9/25/13 – Third Laniakea Task Force Meeting. Majority voted against placement of barriers as demonstration project.
- December 22, 2013 barriers put in place.

## 2014

- 1/3/14 Save Laniakea Coalition, opponents of the barriers, sue the state over restricting access to City park land with the barriers.
- 4/16/14 – Fourth Laniakea Task Force Meeting is held. Five possible realignment alternatives are discussed. The verbal estimate is **\$20 to \$40 million or more depending on alternative chosen.**
- 2014 Legislature sets aside \$7 million for design & construction of road re-alignment. The original \$1.7 million for alternatives analysis only resulted in four meetings in two years.
- Barriers stay up this whole year and the majority of people think that they improved traffic flow through the Laniakea/Chun's corridor.

## 2015

- 6/8/15 court order issued to remove the barriers within 30 days due to not getting a Shoreline Management Act (SMA) permit. The injunction can be lifted if the City grants the State the SMA permit.
- 8/6/15 the deadline is extended to late August.
- 7/21/15 Chamber Board of Directors makes motion to convene a stakeholders group to meet with the Governor regarding Laniakea. This is then taken to NS Neighborhood Board which authorizes the chair to be a representative on the stakeholder group.
- 8/24/15 Barriers are removed and instead “No Parking” signs are put up.
- 9/2/15 Laniakea Stakeholder Group has its first meeting and agrees to request meeting with Governor or his representative. See minutes. Several requests are made to have the meeting with no response.
- 12/30/15 Senator Riviere convenes meeting with DOT Director of Highways, Ed Sniffen. Sniffen says that he hopes to get a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and SMA permit application to the City by July 2016 to replace the barriers. He also says that DOT cancelled several other long-standing projects, but that DOT is going forward with the Laniakea realignment. Realistically, it will take 10 more years. The EA will be completed, but project must be ready to go when it is completed or will have to start process over again. Community members at the meeting let him know that all major North Shore organizations have endorsed the minimal realignment plan that will be the least costly & impactful on Kawaioloa Ranch. 1-27-16