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Hawaiian Electric to host virtual public meeting on plans for firm renewable energy on O'ahu

Company seeking public input prior to filing draft RFP

HONOLULU, Feb. 17, 2022 – To help meet Hawai'i's decarbonization goals, Hawaiian Electric will file a draft Request for Proposals for firm renewable energy procurement for O'ahu.

Firm renewable energy differs from intermittent resources such as solar and wind in that it is available for use at all times, except when undergoing maintenance. This has been an important part of Hawaiian Electric's plans dating back to its 2016 Power Supply Improvement Plan.

Hawaiian Electric will host a virtual community meeting at **6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24**, to seek public input prior to filing the draft RFP. How to join:

- Attend via Microsoft Teams <u>hawaiianelectric.com/communitymeetings</u>
- Tune in live on Hawaiian Electric's Facebook page or live on 'Ōlelo 49

Participants are encouraged to ask questions and provide feedback during the meeting. Questions can be sent in advance to oahurenewablerfp@hawaiianelectric.com. The event will be recorded. For more information go to hawaiianelectric.com/communitymeetings.

Hawaiian Electric will be seeking proposals to acquire 500 to 700 megawatts of energy from firm renewable generation resources. Proposals also will be accepted from existing firm generation projects for new terms after conversion to using renewable fuels. If approved, the projects are expected to come online by 2031. The timeline for proposals, subject to PUC approval, is:

Milestone	Schedule Dates
Technical Status Conference	March 14, 2022
Parties and Participants file Comments by	April 4, 2022
PUC Review and Order to Release RFP	May 9, 2022
Proposed Final RFP filed by	May 31, 2022
Final RFP Approved and issued by	June 30, 2022
Hawaiian Electric Proposal Due Date	Sept. 29, 2022, at 2 p.m. HST
IPP and Affiliate Proposal Due Date	Sept. 30, 2022, at 2 p.m. HST
Selection of Priority List	Dec. 16, 2022
Best and Final Offers Due	Dec. 23, 2022