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### **Broadband meetings set for Hamakua**

KAMUELA, Hawai‘i—December 29, 2014—The Kohala Center, in conjunction with [Kealapono, LLC](#), is holding listening sessions in the Hamakua district between January 5 and 8 to explore the need for Internet services at broadband speeds in the area.

Representatives will share aspects of the Hawai‘i Island Broadband Project and gather community input and feedback.

Three sessions are scheduled with each session focusing on a segment of the Hamakua community:

- Monday, January 5: Pa‘auilo – Kalopa
- Wednesday, January 7: Honoka‘a – Ahualoa
- Thursday, January 8: Kukuihaele – Waipi‘o Valley

All three sessions will be held at the North Hawai‘i Education and Research Center (NHERC) Pavilion from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend the session focusing on the area of the Hamakua district where they live or work.

The Kohala Center’s Hawai‘i Island Broadband Project is funded by the Hawai‘i County Research and Development department in cooperation with the state of Hawai‘i Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

For more information, contact Guy Kaulukukui at Kealapono, LLC, by calling (808) 393-9391 or emailing [guy@kealaponohawaii.com](mailto:guy@kealaponohawaii.com).

### **About The Kohala Center**

Founded in the year 2000, The Kohala Center (<http://www.kohalacenter.org>) is an independent, community-based center for research, conservation, and education. We turn research and traditional knowledge into action, so that communities in Hawai‘i and around the world can thrive—ecologically, economically, culturally, and socially.