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## The Road Ahead for Maunakea Science Reserve Land Authorization

# History

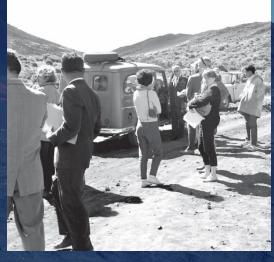
In 1968 the University of Hawaii was granted a lease from the State for the Maunakea Science Reserve (MKSR) that allows observatories to be built/operated in the MKSR under certain terms

\* Part of Gov. John Burns' vision for astronomy in Hawaii

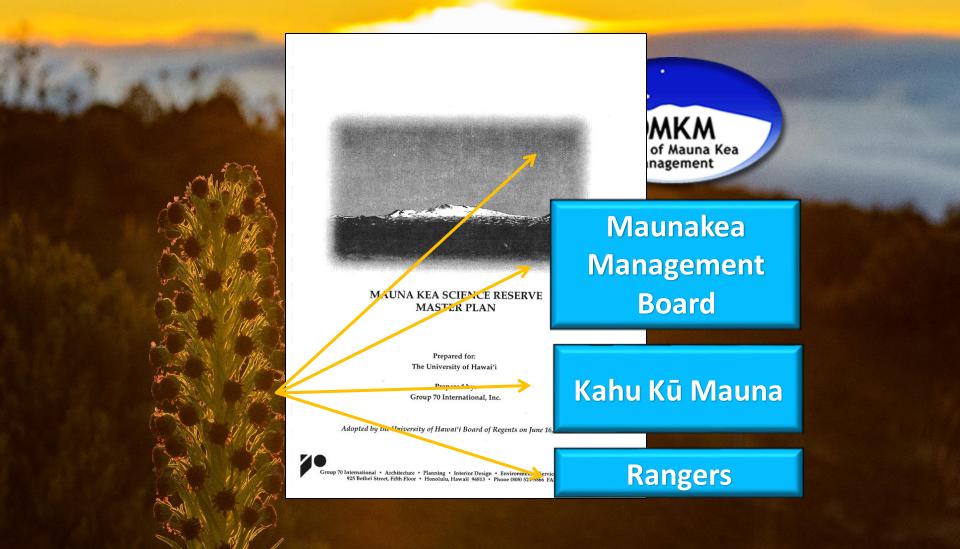
UH Institute for Astronomy created

Led to internationally funded observatories on Maunakea as part of UH scientific collaboration

This "Master Lease" expires in 2033, which for planning purposes for the existing Maunakea Observatories is soon



## Milestone Reports and Plans



## **Comprehensive Management Plan**

#### MAUNA KEA Comprehensive management plan

A Cultural Resources Management Plan for the University of Hawaii Management Areas on Mauna Kea, Ka`ohe Ahupua`a, Hāmākua District, Hawai`i Island, State of Hawaii. TMK:(3) 4-4015:09, 12

A Sub-Plan for the Mauna Kea Comprehensive Management Plan

#### UH

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#### NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE UH MANAGEMENT AREAS ON MAUNA KEA

A Sub-Plan of the Mauna Kea Comprehensive Management Plan

September 2009



able Resources Group Intn'l, Inc Island Planning Island Transitions LLC DECOMMISSIONING PLAN FOR THE MAUNA KEA OBSERVATORIES

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January 2010



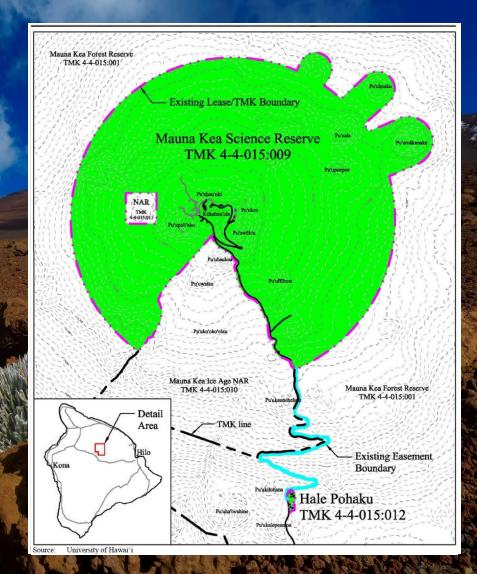
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## Maunakea Science Reserve (MKSR)

Non-UH observatories operate under subleases to the MKSR Master Lease \* A separate lease governs the area around Hale Pohaku (mid-level facility) Maunakea Access Road is covered under an easement In 2015 Gov. Ige stopped the renewal of the Master Lease as part of his "10 point plan" after the 2015 TMT protests on Maunakea



## **MKSR Land Authorization**

Figure 2-2

In February 2018 UH launched again the EIS process for the Maunakea Science Reserve (MKSR) land authorization

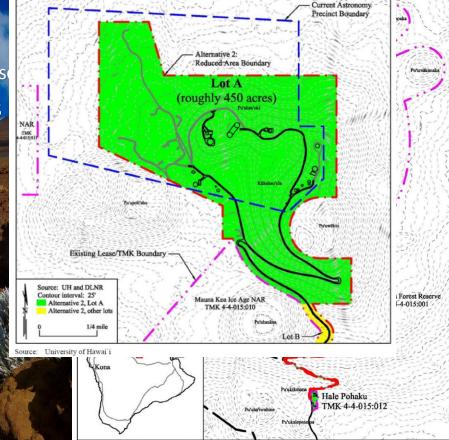
 Needed to extend astronomy for up to 65 years at the end of the current Master Lease

# Three land authorization mechanisms identified

Executive Order from Governor Title transfer from DLNR to UH Master Lease – most likely

### Three outcomes identified -

- No change current Master Lease expires
  2033 and all telescopes removed
- Only Astronomy Precinct + road + HP area approved (~600 acres) Land currently in Master Lease renewed



**Alternative 2 Entitlement Area** 

Mauna Kea Science Reserve TMK 4-4-015:009

Source: University of Hawai'i

## What Needs to Happen Before Land Board Approval of a New Master Lease?

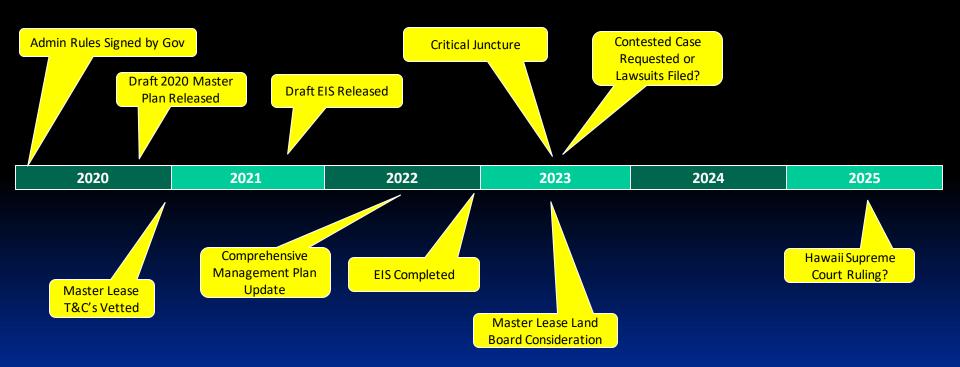
### Prerequisites for MKSR Lease Renewal

- Approval of UH administrative rules (done)
- Completion of EIS and Governor's signature as "recipient"
- Comprehensive Management Plan update
- Master Plan Update (current Master Plan expires 2020)
- Negotiation of Master Lease T&C's with MKOs and UH
- MSE will clearly factor into CFHT's negotiations for a new sublease, which will occur prior to Master Lease award to UH
- MSE permitting needs to wait until a new Master Lease is secured

\* New sublease becomes effective when new Master Lease is finalized.



## Master Lease Renewal Timeline



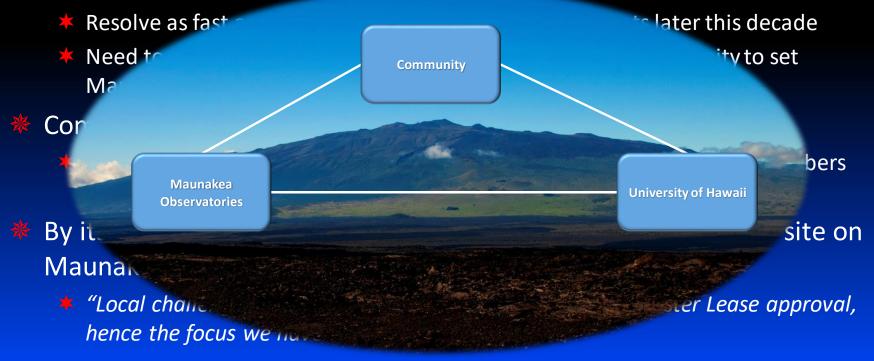


## Where From Here

\* The future of Maunakea astronomy reduces to 3 fundamental elements

- Land = State/UH
- Resources (funds, telescopes) = MKO
- People = Community

### Master/sublease conflicting time constraints



# Mahalo...





Maunakea Spectroscopic Explorer