## Neighbor Island News

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## Complete Streets Policy Implementation Underway

In September 2010, Kaua'i became the first county in the State to adopt a Complete Streets policy. Since then, the Planning Department has been working with Get Fit Kaua'i (the Nutrition and Physical Activity Coalition of Kaua'i County) and the Department of Public Works to implement the policy in the County's roadway and development standards. The County benefitted from expert assistance provided by the National Complete Streets Coalition through grant monies from the *Communities Putting Prevention to Work* Grant for Kaua'i County. Transportation engineer Michael Moule spent a week with County planners and engineers to help them identify the necessary changes to the zoning code, subdivision code, and roadway standards needed to ensure that multi-modal connectivity becomes the default for new development. The Planning Department is currently working on a bill to amend the subdivision ordinance to ensure new residential subdivisions are more pedestrian friendly.



Complete Streets expert Michael Moule (in the light blue shirt) conducting a Complete Streets walking tour with County planners and engineers

For more information, check out the Built Environment Task Force of Get Fit Kaua'i:

http://www.getfitkauai.com/built-environment.html

## Kaua'i County's First Permit Cap for Resort Development in Effect

The County has implemented its first growth rate cap on zoning, use, variance and subdivision approvals for visitor units. The program is called the Transient Accommodation Unit Certificate Allocation Program, and only 252 Transient Accommodation Unit Certificates will be issued over the next five years. The permit cap is the result of a citizen-sponsored petition to amend the County Charter.