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Protests erupt in Hawaii over multiple North Shore developments SF Gate, July 2025

On a June evening, a few hundred impassioned Hawaii residents packed a high school cafeteria on the North Shore of Oahu to discuss an agritourism development project they say will threaten their tight-knit rural community. This wasn't the first time these residents — many of whom live by the motto "Keep the country, country" — had gathered to rally against a development, nor is it the only developer they are protesting this year.

Voices raised, arms lifted or hands clapping in unison, they took turns venting their frustrations, strongly opposing the Kamananui project at Kaukonahua Ranch in Waialua, which proposes adding hiking and biking trails, a zip line¹, all-terrain vehicle tours and an aerial tramway to its 2,300 acres of agricultural and cattle² ranch land.

Many residents say they're fighting for Mauna Kaala, the island's highest peak at around 4,000 feet tall. For some Native Hawaiians, it's a sacred mountain that must be protected, like Hawaii Island's Maunakea or Maui's Haleakala. It is there that Kaukonahua Ranch, owned by a Canadian developer, wants to build the tramway and gondola system and ferry visitors up its slopes and back.

Kaukonahua Ranch is only one North Shore development in a series that is causing the community to rise up and take a stand³. In Waialua, Haleiwa and Kahuku, the various projects, promising thrill rides⁴, new homes, retail stores or luxury condominiums⁵, could collectively represent a major change for the area. "The North Shore is faced with multiple developers that have set foot in the area because Dole has been doing their little liquidation of lands," Racquel Hill-Achui, vice chair of the North Shore Neighborhood Board, told SFGATE.

Several years ago, Dole plc, then known as Dole Food Company, announced it would actively sell 21,800 acres⁶ of former farmland on Oahu. Among the lands sold, 7 acres went to a Hawaii developer in 2014 for a housing and commercial project called Haleiwa Backyard. Kaukonahua Ranch purchased its 2,300 acres from Dole in 2017. A Utah real estate developer⁷ bought 1,000 acres in 2023.

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QUESTIONS

1 Match each paragraph with the correct title.

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a) Meeting and local protest

Paragraph

b) The role of Dole and land sales

Paragraph

c) A sacred mountain in danger

Paragraph

d) Many development projects on the North Shore

Paragraph

2 True or False? Justify with a quote from the text.

3 pts

a) Residents want to develop more tourism on the North Shore.

b) The land used for the projects used to belong to an agricultural company.

c) Different developers bought land in the area in different years.

3 Answer the following questions in your own words.

a) Who is opposing the North Shore developments and why are they worried?

2 pts

b) What is the Kamananui project and how could it change the local area?

3 pts

c) Why is Mauna Kaala significant for some Native Hawaiians?

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d) Why are land sales by Dole an important issue for the community?

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