

# Forest Stewardship Advisory Committee



**DATE:** September 18 – 19, 2015  
**LOCATION:** Kilauea Military Camp  
99-252 Crater Rim Drive, Volcano, Hawaii County, Hawaii 96785  
**MEETING START:** 9:00am Sept. 18, 2015 in the Ohia Room  
8:00am Sept. 19, 2015 in the Lava Lounge

## AGENDA

1. Call to order and meeting schedule overview
2. Welcome new members and guests
  3. Review and approval of May 29, 2015 meeting minutes
4. **Rapid ‘Ōhi‘a Death** – Committee member J.B. Friday will provide a status update on the *Ceratocystis* wilt.
5. **Native Hawaiian Law Training** – Committee will be updated on the recent training for boards and commissions provided by the William S. Richardson School of Law and Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

## Forest Stewardship Program

6. **Project Proposal** – Committee will be reviewing and voting for approval of submitted project proposals to develop a Forest Stewardship management plan.
  - 6.1. Ola‘a Forest Farm, Kau District, Hawaii County
7. **Management Plans** – Committee will be reviewing and voting to recommend approval of submitted management plans and management plan revisions.
  - 7.1 Duren Forest Stewardship management plan, North Kona District, Hawaii County
  - 7.2 Pace Demonstration Forest management plan, South Kona District, Hawaii County
  - 7.3 Mana Gardens Forest Stewardship management plan, Puna District, Hawaii County
8. **Forest Stewardship project updates** – Committee will be updated on the developing management plans and cost-share projects.
9. **Forest Stewardship landowner informational reports** – Committee will review the newest landowner informational reports.
10. **Hawaii CREP project updates and activities** - Committee will be updated on the status of project enrollment, activities, and events.
11. **Chapter 195F, HRS, 2015 Legislative Proposal** – Committee will be updated on the status of the proposed modification to the Forest Stewardship statute, §195F.
12. **Forest Stewardship budget and ranking** – Committee will review the fiscal year 2016 Forest Stewardship budget, and review and update Forest Stewardship scoring criteria.

## **Forest Legacy Program**

**13. Forest Legacy project updates** - Committee will be updated on the ongoing applications under the Forest Legacy Program, and review and make recommendations on the proposed modifications to project acreages.

- FY12 Kukai‘au Koa Forest, Hamakua, Hawaii County
- FY15/16 Helemano Wilderness Area, Central Oahu, Honolulu County
  - **Proposed modification (increase) to project acreage**
- FY16 Ho‘omau Ranch, South Kona, Hawaii County
- FY16 Puaahala Valley, Molokai, Maui County

**14. Forest Legacy 2017 applications** – Committee will review the current application process for the Forest Legacy Program, recommend process for 2017 applications, score projects, and recommend projects for submission to Forest Legacy Program for national competition.

**14.1** FY17 Ho‘omau Ranch, South Kona, Hawaii County

**14.2** FY17 Haloa Aina, South Kona, Hawaii County

**14.3** FY17 Helemano Wilderness Area, Central Oahu, County of Honolulu

**15. Pia Valley Forest Legacy Donation** – Committee will be updated and review the proposed Pia Valley donation to the Forest Legacy Program and Division of Forestry and Wildlife.

**16. Forest Legacy Assessment of Needs Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) Report** – The PIG will report on discussion related to updating the Forest Legacy Program Assessment of Needs. Committee will discuss additional considerations for updating the assessment. *\*No decisions will be made on this item.*

[http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/forestry/files/2013/09/Forest-Legacy\\_Assessment-of-Needs.pdf](http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/forestry/files/2013/09/Forest-Legacy_Assessment-of-Needs.pdf)

**17. Hawaii Forest Action Plan** – Committee review, discussion progress, and make recommendations for updating the State of Hawaii Forest Action Plan.

<http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/forestry/info/fap/>

**18. Forest Stewardship payback provisions for forest production** – Committee will review and recommend modifications to current payback provisions for commercial timber harvest and potential new provisions for other forest product production associated with Forest Stewardship Agreements.

**19. Natural Area Partnership Program management plans** – Committee will compare the differences and similarities between the management plans prepared for the Natural Area Partnership Program and Forest Stewardship Program. Committee may recommend updates to management planning process and criteria.

**20. Landscape scale forest stewardship plans** – K. Friday will present to the committee the proposed new federal guidelines on landscape plans under the Forest Stewardship Program.

**21. Announcements and Travel.** Set the next meeting date and location. Committee will review travel requirements associated with committee travel.

**22. Site Visit to Keauhou Bird Conservancy Center**

**23. Adjournment**

**Committee Members:** Nick Koch (Chair), Rich von Wellsheim (Chair-elect), Betsy Gagne (Ex-officio), Alvin Kyono, Greg Hendrickson, Gregory Koob, Jay Warner, J.B. Friday, Koa Kaulukukui, Kip Dunbar, Mark White, Michael Constantinides, Pat Conant.

**Staff:** M. Irene Sprecher, Malia Nanbara, Marissa Chee, Katie Friday (U.S. Forest Service)

**Transportation:** All flights are e-tickets. There will be vans to and from airport and for the field trip for committee members.

**Attendance:** Forest Stewardship Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids or services to participate (i.e. sign language interpreter, wheel chair accessibility, or parking designated for the disabled), please contact the Cooperative Resource Management Forester at (808) 587-4167 within 72 hours of the scheduled meeting so that arrangements can be made.