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Members  
Natural Area Reserves System Commission  
Natural Area Partnership Program Subcommittee  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Subcommittee Members:

**SUBJECT: DOCUMENTS FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR JUNE 9, 2014 SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS, ITEMS 2-4**

**BACKGROUND:**

Item 2: The Division of Forestry and Wildlife, Native Ecosystem Protection and Management section is transitioning to a quantitative and standardized reporting format. The proposed NAPP report spreadsheet attachment (Report Template.xlsx) would replace the current semiannual and annual Natural Area Partnership Program (NAPP) reports, which are in a narrative format. Newly drafted 6-year Long Range Management Plans would quantify proposed deliverables in a similar format, in addition to providing a narrative regarding the importance and management considerations of the Preserve and other necessary background. The NAPP managers could provide an optional narrative document for items not covered in the spreadsheet. Managers would also provide ArcGIS shapefiles to correspond with their actions. This reporting template is modeled after the Watershed Partnership Program's reports, although tabs such as "Predator Control," "Rare Species Monitoring," "Infrastructure," and "Rare Species Monitoring" have been added to reflect the additional conservation activities conducted by the NAPPs. The NARS are also establishing databases with similar metrics.

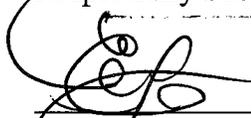
Item 3: One purpose of the Subcommittee is to identify successes and recommend improvements needed for individual Preserves. The draft review spreadsheet attachment (NAPP Review Template.xlsx) contains metrics and items to comment on. Members will also be asked to assign themselves 3 Preserves to review each.

Item 4: Subcommittee members have suggested establishing criteria to review new Preserve proposals. The Natural Area Reserves System (NARS) Enhancement Report provided criteria for establishing new NARS, and reviewed areas that had been recommended (in both State and private land) based on these criteria. Members are requested to review this Enhancement Report to determine if it serves the same purpose for the NAPP.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the NAPP Subcommittee review these draft documents and provide recommendations for improvements during the June 9, 2014 Subcommittee meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



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**Attachments:**

1. Report Template.xlsx
2. NAPP Review Template.xlsx
3. NARS Enhancement Report