



Hawai'i Forest Legacy Project

Location, District, County, Island, State of Hawaii

Applications are due to the State of Hawaii for consideration by August 20, 2014. Please submit a description of what due diligence has been completed on the project along with a copy of a preliminary title report and a willing seller letter from the landowner.

Project Name –

Applicant –

Landowner Name –

Type of Acquisition – conservation easement or fee title.

Acreage –

General Description – (no more than 1,250 characters including spaces)

This should be a general description of the project that is detailed enough to describe the importance, threaten, and strategic aspects of the property. Should be compelling and memorable.

PROJECT FEATURES

Importance – (no more than 20 bullet points, 300 characters including spaces in each bullet) – focuses on the attributes of the property and the environmental, social, and economic public benefits gained from the protection and management of the property. This criterion reflects the ecological assets and the economic and social values conserved by the project and its level of significance at a national, regional, and local level.

High quality attributes can include:

- Economic benefits from timber and potential forest productivity (sustainable management of forest products, products contribute to a community and region, and/or property contains characteristics to sustain productive forests).
- Economic benefits from non-timber products (non-timber revenue to local or regional economy – hunting leases, ranching, honey, bird watching, fishing, ecotourism).
- Threatened or endangered species habitat (site has documented rare, threatened or endangered plants, animals, or designated habitat or includes unique forest types or communities).
- Scenic – in the view shed of a designated scenic area.
- Fish and wildlife habitat – important fish or wildlife habitat exists.
- Water supply protection – contiguous riparian area, sensitive watershed lands, lakefront, buffer to public drinking water supply.



- Forestry – integral in supporting the local resource-based economy for a community or region and the tract is a foundation to maintain the economic viability of forestry for the community or region.
- Recreation – the property is a public access location or acts as a gateway to increased public access.
- Cultural – known culturally and historically significant values are located on site.

Threatened – (no more than 10 bullets, 300 characters including spaces in each bullet)

Conversion to non-forest use is possible to imminent and will result in a loss of forest values and public benefits

- Degree of legal protections that currently exists on the property (current zoning or existing easements).
- Landowner circumstances (good land steward interested in conserving land, property in estate, aging landowner and future use of property by heirs is uncertain, property is up for sale or has a sale pending, landowner has received purchase offers, etc).
- Adjacent land use change (rate of development growth and conversion, rate of population growth, rate of change in ownership, etc).
- Imminent, likely, or possible? – why and/or how.
- Can include information about population of state, local development, or other relative factors.
- This criterion reflects an estimate of the urgency of the threat of conversion. It is meant to reflect the likelihood of a conversion that would result in the loss or diminution of the assets of a larger forest area.

Strategic – (no more than 10 bullets, 400 characters including spacing in each bullet)

The project fits within a larger conservation plan, strategy, or initiative and enhances previous conservation investments.

- A key property is regional, bi-state or landscape conservation effort.
- A key property in a state plan or focused protection strategy.
- Will lead to additional conservation action in its region or area.

Supporting Parties – At least one supporting party is required. Please include a letter of support for the acquisition from all parties included in this section.

Photos – A maximum of 4 photos may be included, at least one is required.

Readiness – Level of commitment, due diligence steps completed, and likelihood a project will be completed in predictable timeline.

- Willing seller letter
- Completed appraisal or preliminary appraisal
- Draft or final conservation easement or fee acquisition conditions
- Cost share commitment
- Signed option or purchase and sales agreement
- Held by a third party at the request of the State



Project readiness is a criterion that reflects the degree of due diligence applied and the certainty of a successful FLP project. It is intended to be a guide to project selection decisions. The readiness level is determined by the cumulative progression of items completed.