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TO: Chairpersons and Members
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SUBJECT: Submission of final resolutions approved at the June 4, 2013 meeting of the Hawai'i
Invasive Species Council

At a meeting of the HISC on June 4, 2013, four resolutions were reviewed by the Council regarding federal and state invasive species issues. The resolutions included:

1. Draft Reso 13-1: Support for federal recognition of Hawaii's unique biosecurity needs and coordination between federal and state inspection agencies, including information sharing between federal and state inspection staff and the development of joint inspection facilities
2. Draft Reso 13-2: Supporting federal recognition of pest inspections as a core airport function
3. Draft Reso 13-3: Supporting the reauthorization of the Brown Tree Snake Control and Eradication Act of 2004
4. Draft Reso 13-4: Supporting amendments to the list of injurious species under the Lacey Act

The Council approved Draft Resolution 13-1 with an amendment clarifying that the Council was not requesting the removal of federal preemption, rather an expedited process for exemptions from federal preemption in certain cases.

The Council deferred Draft Resolution 13-2 after a lengthy discussion on whether inspections could be considered core airport functions and how this designation would affect the Federal Aviation Administration and the Hawai'i Department of Transportation.

The Council approved Draft Resolutions 13-3 and 13-4.

Non-voting participants in HISC discussions include members of the State Senate (J. Kalani English, Clarence Nishihara, Gilbert Kahele, Ronald Kouchi), House of Representatives (Derek Kawakami, Mark Hashem, Clift Tsuji, Mele Carroll), Dept of Defense, Dept of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Counties of Hawai'i, and federal representatives from the U.S. Dept of the Interior and U.S. Dept of Agriculture

Attached to this submittal are final drafts of the three approved draft resolutions. Subsequent to the deferral of Draft Resolution 13-2, Draft Resolutions 13-3 and 13-4 have been designated as Resolutions 13-2 and 13-3, respectively.