NATURAL AREA RESERVES SYSTEM COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: June 4, 2012
TIME: 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
PLACE: Boardroom, Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kalanimoku Building, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu.

AGENDA

ITEM 1. Call to order; introduction of Members.
ITEM 1.a. Recognition of retiring members Dr. Dale Bonar and Dr. Flint Hughes; welcome new members: Ms. Robin Newbold and Dr. Jonathan Price to a first term, and Mr. Trae Menard to a second term.
ITEM 1.b. Discussion and appointment of new Natural Area Reserves System Commission (NARSC) Chair and Vice Chair.
ITEM 1.c. Discussion and appointment of a NARSC member to sit on the Legacy Land Commission, as per Act 82, SLH 2012 (SB 1312 HD1), signed by the Governor on April 26, 2012.
ITEM 2. Approval of Minutes of the November 18, 2011 Natural Area Reserves System Commission.
ITEM 3. Administrative updates.
ITEM 3.a. Budget update: Randy Kennedy.
ITEM 3.b. Joint Consultation between NARSC and Forest Stewardship Advisory Committee: Randy Kennedy and Sheri Mann; need to select an additional member from the NARSC.
ITEM 3.b. Legislative Summary for 2012 SLH and Watershed Initiative: Emma Yuen.
ITEM 4.a. Kaluanui Natural Area Reserve: Receive recommendations from Division of Forestry and Wildlife, if any, and approve, defer, make other recommendations, or deny to the Board of Land and Natural Resources and the Governor, the proposal for the Kaluanui Natural Area Reserve, TMK 5-3-001:0009, O‘ahu.
ITEM 5. Natural Area Reserve (NAR) Staff Updates:
ITEM 5.a. Status of Remedial Investigation within `Ahihi-Kinaʻu NAR being carried out by the Army Corps of Engineers (USACE): Bill Evanson.
ITEM 5.c. `Ahihi-Kinaʻu Natural Continued closure of portions of `Ahihi-Kinaʻu NAR for up to two years: discussion and recommendations to the Board of Land and
Natural Resources to continue closure, re-open the entire area, continue restricted access or other recommendations; which may also be subject to Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) concerns from the Army Corps of Engineers which has not yet issued a report with their findings and management recommendations: Bill Evanson.

ITEM 5.d. Ka`ena Fence, Road Designation, and other O`ahu Updates: Marigold Zoll.

ITEM 5.e. Big Island Updates: Lisa Hadway.

ITEM 5.f. Kaua`i Updates: Chris Mottley.

ITEM 6. Special Use Permits.

ITEM 6.a. Pu`u Ali`i Natural Area Reserve: Cooperative Agreement with National Park Service for joint management of the NAR, since it is also an overlay of Kalaupapa National Historical Park: official recognition of the document signed by the BLNR and request that the NARS Commission grant a waiver for any application fees.

ITEM 6.b. Na Kula and Kanaio Natural Area Reserves: Special Use Permit Application Fee Waiver; discussion and action to grant an application fee waiver for animal control special use permits in Kanaio NAR and Na Kula NAR.

ITEM 6.c. Na Kula and Kanaio Natural Area Reserves: Delegation of authority to NARS Executive Secretary, with review and approval of Maui NARS staff, to issue special use permits for animal control that include overnight camping in Na Kula NAR; and animal control day trips in Kanaio NAR.

ITEM 6.d. Special Use Permit Application: Cultural Access and gathering in Ahihi-Kina`u NAR by the Kulaloio Family: discussion and recommendation to the BLNR for approval, deferral or denial, or make other recommendations including a working group to consider this matter in detail on Maui as per the Lu`uwai Family Special Use Permit.

ITEM 6.e. Special Use Permit Application for Commercial tours to Ka`ena Point NAR: discussion and recommendation to the BLNR for approval, deferral or denial, or make other recommendations.


ITEM 8. Rare Plant Program Status and Update: Adam Williams.

ITEM 9. New NARS Logo: Leah Laramée, Liaison, Native Ecosystem Protection and Management Section, Division of Forestry and Wildlife.

ITEM 10. Announcements. Set next meeting dates.

ITEM 11. Adjournment.

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