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NATURAL AREA RESERVES SYSTEM COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: May 26, 2009

TIME: 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

PLACE: Room 322 A, Kalanimoku Building, 1151Punchbowl Street, Honolulu

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order and introduction of members. Recognize Members leaving the Natural Area Reserves System Commission (NARSC) June 30, 2009, and welcome new Members who will begin new terms on July 1, 2009.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the April 6, 2009 NARSC Meeting.
- 3. Legislative Update, NAR Fund Status, and NARS Budget Update for FY09/10: Randy Kennedy.
- 4. Permitting.
- 4.a. Special Use Permit Current Delegation of Authority: discussion and action on further delegation of authority for Kahauale`a NAR for special hunt permits; T&E species; for staff delegation or full NARSC upon their recommendation.
- 4b. Special Use Permit Application (deferred form April 6, 2009 meeting): Richard Pender, University of Hawai'i, to conduct research on the following endangered plant species in Pahole Natural Area Reserve, O'ahu (*Delissea subcordata* and *Cyanea superba* subsp. *superba*) and Pu'u O 'Umi Natural Area Reserve. Hawai'i (*Clermontia drepanomorpha*), as well as other non-listed lobeliads. Action by the NARS Commission to review, approve, defer, make other recommendations, or deny recommendation to the Board of Land and Natural Resources.
- 4.c. Special Use Permit Application: Lauren Weisenberger, University of Hawai`i, to conduct pollination observations and collect leaf samples from two listed members of the genus *Schiedea* in Pahole NAR. Action by the NARS Commission to review, defer, make other recommendations, or deny recommendation to the Board of Land and Natural Resources.
- 5. Update on *Myoporum* (naio) thrips, discussion and recommendation to recognize importance of protecting Hawaii's dominant forest trees: `Ohi`a, Koa, Mamane, Naio, and Hapu`u, and to write a letter to the Department of Agriculture urging them to develop rules and regulations to further protect them
- 6. Presentation on the National Ecological Observatory Network by NEON, Inc., staff, and overview of Hawaii Experimental Tropical Forest facilities planning process by Marti Dodds, Institute for Pacific Islands Forestry.
- 7. Presentation: Ron Cannarella and Sheri Mann will introduce the new 08 Farm Bill State-Wide Assessment of Forest Conditions And Forest Resource Strategy (SWARS) Forest Service. These are mandatory documents due by June 18, 2010 and will allow future funding to come to Hawaii via various existing and not yet funded programs. If the issues are not incorporated into/mapped in SWARS, then there will be no funding opportunities from the 08 Farm Bill.
- 8. Natural Area Partnership Program: Renewal for Kanepu`u Preserve, Lana`i Mark White, The Nature Conservancy, Maui.
- 9. Enhancement: Emma Yuen.

- a. Summary of discussion and recommendations from Subcommittee of Enhancement.
- b. Recommended Conservation Mechanisms for DOFAW: Management Guidelines, Weed Risk Assessments for biofuels.
- c. Recommendations for acquisitions or conservation easements.
- 10. Announcements: NARS Strategic Plan Approval by BLNR: Randy Kennedy. Hono O Na Pali NAR Extension: Emma Yuen. Set next meeting date.
- 11. Adjournment.

NATURAL AREA RESERVES SYSTEM COMMISSON ENHANCEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: May 26, 2009 **TIME:** 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: DOFAW Conference Room 323

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the May 4, 2009 NARSC Enhancement Subcommittee.
- 3. Call to order, introductions, purpose of subcommittee meeting.
- 4. Enhancement: Emma Yuen.
 - 4.a. Recommend opportunities or strategies for conservation management and designation of Biologically Important Areas statewide (Namolokama, Kalalau Back Pali, North of Kui`a, Back of Wailau and South Slope, East of Wailau, Lana`ihale, Hanawi West/East, Kanaio Coast, Kauaula/Puehuehunui, Northwest of Pu`u O `Umi NAR, Kamilo, Pohakuloa Gulch, Wai`ea, Cliff above Pebble Beach, Mauna Loa mosaic, Waimanu, Hamakua, Puna Lowland Wet Forests).
 - i. Summarize past Enhancement discussions and process.
 - iii. Discuss and approve recommendations for each Biologically Important Area.
 - 4.b. Discussion and recommendations for acquisition opportunity at Honouliuli, O`ahu.
 - 5. Announcements. Set next meeting date.
 - 6. Adjournment

Meeting materials are available for public review in advance of the meeting. Contact the NARS Commission Executive Secretary. If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids or services to participate in the public hearing process (i.e. sign language interpreter, wheelchair accessibility, or parking designated for the disabled), please contact the NARS Commission Executive Secretary 72 hours prior to the meeting so that arrangements can be made (808) 587-0063.