

Na Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council

Minutes of July 27, 2022

Present: Sue Guille, Bob Hobdy, Tom Cannon, Dave Brown, Terry Quisenberry

Absent: Kevin Jenkins, Russell Reinertson, Nick Saussy

Ex-Officio: Stephanie Franklin, NAH Specialist

Guests: Chris Warren, Forest Bird Recovery Coordinator, NPS, Rachel Hodara Nelson, Cultural Resources and Archaeology Program Manager NPS, Lucienne DeNaie, Sierra Club

Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

Sue called the meeting to order at 1:10pm. Public notice was posted and quorum was met.

Review of Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2022

The draft minutes were approved as presented.

Staff Report: The trail crew has maintained 13 miles of trails in the last month. The large south shore surf in mid-July washed out a section of the Hoapili Trail. Trail crew has been working on repairing the trail. The Waihee Ridge Trail needs to have some of the treads replaced due to rotting boards.

Flow Farm Report: Trail inspections were done. The pump track needs to have the ramps replaced due to rotting and breaking wood.

Maui Motocross Report:

Old Business:

1. Kamehamenui Forest - Update on Management Plan Progress: The archaeologists are finalizing their survey on the upper portion of the parcel.
2. Onau Trail: No report given.
3. Waia'ilio Trail – Update on Scouting and Locating Historic Trail: Tom will be emailing Stephanie to determine the next steps to be taken.
4. Ko'olau Forest Reserve Trail Potential: No new information available.
5. Waihee Ridge Reservation System: Still in process. NAH Rules need to be changed to allow the system to be activated. Public comments period is open. No date to start yet.
6. Olivine Pools: No discussion at this meeting. NAH Staff plans a site visit for future discussion.

New Business:

1. Ho'olawa Bay: NAH Staff will plan a site visit to assess locked private landowner gate and access through adjacent State land to the bay. Further discussion after site visit.
2. NPS Presentation of Proposal for Implementing Mosquito Control on East Maui: Chris Warren did a power point presentation on the project to lower the numbers of mosquitos that can carry avian malaria to our endangered forest birds, particularly the honeycreepers. The goal is to release male Culex mosquitos to breed with the females and make them sterile. If the project goes forward they will be hand releasing mosquitos in the Makawao Forest Reserve. Other areas of the island that are harder to access will use helicopters and drones to deliver the mosquitos. These mosquitos are not genetically modified. Male mosquitos cannot bite people. There will be public meetings in September regarding this project.
3. Date of next meeting: September 28, 2022 at 1:00pm

Public Testimony on All Agenda Items, Public Comments – Open Forum

Lucienne DeNaie suggested we look at the Kailua Stream Trail as a NAH Trail. There are 72 acres of State land there as well as a heiau and waterfalls.

Adjournment: 2:30pm