

Na Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council

Minutes of June 21, 2023 - 1:00pm  
DLNR Baseyard  
Kahului, Maui, Hawaii

Present: Russell Reinertson, Tom Cannon, Sue Guille, Dave Brown, John Meier,

Absent: Nick Saussy, Bob Hobdy, Kevin Jenkins, Terry Quisenberry

Ex-Officio: Stephanie Franklin, NAH Specialist

Guests: Bruce Faulkner, Rob Weltman, Lucienne De Naie, Natalie Gates

Call to Order, Public Notice

Sue called the meeting to order at 1:05. Public notice was posted.

Dave moved to approve the minutes of May, seconded by Sue, and approved.

Staff Report:

Stephanie reported that the contractor is working on Waiakoa loop. One cement crossing remains and then they move on to bridge work. There is still a couple months of work remaining.

Usage numbers are unusually high - over 1400 at Waihe'e ridge trail one day.

The full-time trail crew is short staffed. Two SCA interns have started and short term hires are being added.

At Kahakapao, the volunteer group has been clearing and brushing trails, and finished update of the middle section of Pineapple Express.

Lucienne De Naie described a new program from Sierra Club where they are hiring someone to be a volunteer coordinator for trail maintenance at Kahakapao. The plan is to organize at least one volunteer event per quarter and they expect to hire someone by the end of summer.

Maui Motocross - no update

## Old Business:

1. Redesignating state lands as forest reserves, NARs, and sanctuaries - in progress, the next step is the governor issuing an executive order.

2. Kamehamehū Forest Reserve - draft management plan is going through internal department review. After incorporating internal feedback, the next step is to post it for public comment. One of the nearby residents has created an online petition advocating her position on Kamehamehū. The fence along the upper right side of the parcel has been completed. Next, they will start working on fence that goes across the bottom of the top section.

3. Onau Trail - letter sent to state, waiting for response

4. Waia'ilio Trail - Stephanie found a map showing the historic trail but did not find the GIS info. She is going to arrange a date when the drone operator and Tom can go out and do a drone survey.

5. Ko'olau Forest Reserve trail potential - no change

6. Olivine Pools - Staff looked up the ownership. The land is a mix of unencumbered and game management area. Because of safety hazard concerns, the current strategy is not to do anything that would increase usage. Removing from agenda.

7. Uaoa trail. Access trail is an easement across subdivision land. No historic trail involved, removing from agenda.

8. Hoolawa bay. A proposal on how to resolve the access issue is being presented at an upcoming BLNR meeting.

9. Haleakala trail. The trial starts in September.

10. Honokala trail. Access is an easement across subdivision land. No historic trail involved, removing from agenda.

## New Business:

Sadly, Bob Hobdy passed away. Adding an agenda topic to talk about suggestions for a replacement.

Date of next meeting: August 2 2023, 1pm

Adjournment: 3:00 PM