



West Oahu Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting

October 22, 2019 - 12:30 p.m.

Nutrien Conference Room,

Kunia Village 92-1770 Kunia Road, Kunia HI 96759

Board: Larry Jeffs (LJ), Joe Para (JP), John McHugh (JM)

Associate Director: Mike Glidden (MG)

Secretary: Michelle Gorham (MGo)

Participants: Susan Kubo (SK), Hannah Hubanks (HH), Sarah Tanuvasa (ST), Stacy Sugai (SS), Bobby Farias (BF), Shawn Viernes (SV), Sheri Viernes (ShV), Dave Elliott (DE), Rae DeCoito (RD), Grayden "Buddy" Keala (BK)

1. Call to Order
12:41

2. Discussion and Possible Action with Cooperators and on Conservation Plans

Oahu RC&D:

- TMK: 62-003-002 (12.36 ac) and 62-003-027 (2.89 ac)

DE presented a conservation plan on behalf of the Mālama Loko Ea Foundation. Army Corps of Engineers processed waterway Engineering practices for the site. Referred to completed Env. Quality Assessment. Section 401 permissions also processed. Directors are interested in visiting the site at some point. JM made a motion to approve the Conservation Plan. JP second. No further discussion. Move to approve.

Discussion- LJ asked if there were any other concurrent projects. All present on behalf of the project confirmed, there were not.

- TMK: 6-5-001-045 (portion), unit 7, approx. 5.1 acres

HH presented a plan on behalf of SV and ShV. There are no dwellings at this time as per HH. JM made a motion to approve the conservation plan. JP move to approve. No further discussion. Move to approve.

NRCS:

- TMK: 87019059:0000 – 4 acres

SS presented a Cooperator Agreement. JP made a motion to accept the Cooperator Agreement. JM second. No further discussion. Motion approved.

SS presentation and Conservation Plan. JM a motion to approve. JP second. Motion carried.

Partners

TMK: (1) 9-1-031:001 – 120 acres

BF presented a Cooperator Agreement. JM made a motion to approve the Cooperator Plan. JP seconded. No further discussion. No further discussion.

3. Partner Updates

- NRCS Updates, acting DC, and Locally Led Working Group
 - Locally led working group
 - SK will compile a Doodle Poll and disseminate
 - MG will support SK in finding a central location
 - CIG – On-Farm trials.
 - Cooperative Working Agreement
 - Collaborate to work on partnerships. Can be funded.
 - Unfunded working agreement
 - NRCS provides: conditional vehicle use, a Federal computer, Office Space
 - 10% of the time of staff supports NRCS needs
- Oahu RC&D updates and new staffing
 - Jean Brokish will be on as a contractor for about 8 months.
 - Dave Elliott is the new ED and Hannah Hubanks is the new Conservation Planner.
- HACD: Update

4. New Business

- Based on the increasing number of Cooperators in the district, the West Oahu district will prioritize Cooperators with applications of 5 acres or more. JP move to approve. JM second. Motion carried.

5. Old Business

6. Set next meeting date

- November 26, 2019

7. Reports

- Minutes: JP move to accept the minutes as presented. JM second.
- Treasurers report: JM move to accept the treasurer's report as presented. JP second.

8. Adjourn

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