



# Mauna Kea Soil & Water Conservation District

Date: Wednesday April 8, 2020

Time: 4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Place: Board meeting will be done by Teleconference: Number: (888) 844-9904, Access Code:4747182

Call to order at 4:07 P.M.

**I. Approval of Agenda**

-Agenda modified: No treasurer's report because didn't receive bank statements for March 2020

**II. Review/Approval of minutes- 3/11/2020**

-Approved

**III. Treasurer's Report**

-None

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**IV. Chairman's Report**

-Nicole has been teleworking due to coronavirus.  
-NRCS also teleworking

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**V. Committee Report**

-None

**VI. Farm Dwelling Review**

-None

**VII. Sub-division Review**

-None

**VIII. Agreements/Contracts Approvals**

a. Cooperative Agreement

-None

b. Plan Approval

- Guy Kaniho-Approved

Previous NRCS client. Trimming gorse by manual cut with chemical follow up. Using a pole saw and chainsaw to cut gorse followed by painting stump with herbicide. Herbicide mixture of triclopyr (garlon) and diesel. It was advised that diesel is not considered an herbicide and not to add to job sheet. It was stated that job sheet only contains active ingredient in herbicide.

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Installing windbreak and installing fence to protect windbreak. Mulching is for windbreak. Woody residue treatment is pile for decomposition.

- Karen Newman Rowland-Approved

Currently, has sheep and horse. Brush management for strawberry guava and planting koa and ohia. Concern of koa will not survive in area and should plant koaia instead. NRCS will re-visit the planting list. Installation of cross fencing and piping for livestock water. NRCS needs to re-visit map because there is a missing pipe.

- c. Plan Update  
-None
- d. Plan Revision  
-None
- e. Plan Cancellation  
-None

### IX. Reports, Correspondence, and Announcements

- a. NRCS Cook
  - Program update
  - Level 2 status, NRCS is open but by appointment only, no visitors. Field visits still occurring.
  - processing applications for 2020 Farm Bill. 30 applications. Screening deadline is this Friday (4/10).
  - allocation of funding base on previous years and allocated based on past performance
  - Willie Rice and Carolyn Stewart working on Queen Emma in Pelekane. Working on fencing and vegetation. Above mountain road put a fence around plantings.
- b. Conservation Specialist/Administrative Assistant Fernandez
  - See handout
  - NRCS vehicle liability workshop
  - site visits: Island Bioenergy, Parker Ranch.
  - learning about pasture grasses
  - Teleworking from 3/23/2020-4/30/2020.
    - Videoconference using zoom, first 40min is free after that it will be \$15.00 a month. Board meetings should be teleconference/videoconference until May 15, 2020
  - Waiting on cultural clearance for Island Bioenergy and Siglo

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-Korey still interested in doing an internship. Decided to wait on it until things return to normal from coronavirus.

**X. Old Business**

-None

**XI. New Business**

-Parker Ranch working on CTA to install pond  
6350 ft elevation for Waimea side and 6750 ft elevation for Waikii side.

**XII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourn at 4:38 P.M.

Next MKSWCD Meeting May 13, 2020 4:00-6:00 P.M. at USDA-NRCS Waimea Field Office. Individuals requiring special assistance or auxiliary aid or services (e.g., sign language interpreter, wheel chair accessibility, or parking designated for the disabled) at the Mauna Kea Soil and Water Conservation District meeting, please contact staff at least 72 hours prior to the meeting at 808-885-6602 ext.102 so that arrangements can be made.