



Mauna Kea Soil & Water Conservation District

Agenda for the meeting of Mauna Kea Soil and Water Conservation District

Date: Wednesday, October 20, 2021

Time: 4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Place: Board meeting will be held through Microsoft Teams. Please contact MKSWCD at (808) 885-6602 ext. 102 or at nicole.fernandez@hi.nacdnet.net to receive the Microsoft teams link.

Start: 4:10 pm

- I. Approval of Agenda- **approve**
 - a. Add sub-division review
- II. Approval/Review Minutes- 9/15/2021- **approve**
- III. Treasurer's report- **approve** Lau
- IV. Chairman's Report- **none** von Holt
- V. Committee Report- **none**
- VI. Farm Dwelling Review- **none**
- VII. Sub-division Review
 - a. **PL-SUB-2021-000013**
 - i. Ironwood Ranch, 45.36 acres, sub-divide into 4 acres lot: 14.41 acres, 10 acres, 10.95 acres, 10 acres located in Waikii
 - ii. Blue line stream near property, HEL is potential
 - iii. Seasonal changes, if crops are present ag. water would be needed for crop survival
 - iv. No concern in sub-dividing
- VIII. Agreements/Contract Approval
 - a. Cooperative Agreement
 - i. Courtney Ramsey
 1. Located White Rd, 1.36 ac
 2. Agroforestry, currently some fruit trees planted
 3. Approved
 - ii. Jay Tyler
 1. Near Mealani research center, 5.0 acres
 2. Grazing sheep
 3. Approved



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iii. Jo Ann Branco

1. Located in Ahualoa, 150 acres, own and lease property
2. Grazing sheep and will occasionally bring in cattle
3. Approved

iv. Kimberly Tomasino-Reed

1. Located Waikoekoe, 40 acres, grazing/forestry
2. CTA plan under Northstar Farms LLP for agroforestry, applying for assistance as an individual for grazing and agroforestry. Cooperative agreement under entity name.
3. Approved

b. Plan Approval

i. Billy Andrade Ranch

1. EQIP, grazing sheep occasionally cattle
2. Cross fencing, bringing water to top of property, tibouchina control
3. Approved

ii. Charles Lindsey

1. EQIP, grazing
2. Cross fencing for smaller paddocks, water, silvopasture, and fireweed control
3. They are on county water
4. Approved

iii. G & C Freitas Ranch

1. EQIP, 2 properties, grazing cattle
2. Pasture renovation for one property, weed control, cross fencing for smaller paddock, and water
3. Approved

iv. Kalani Kaniho

1. EQIP, grazing cattle
2. Gorse problem in pasture, re-seed after gorse removal, prescribe grazing to help keep gorse down
3. Approved

c. Plan Revision- none

d. Plan Update- none

e. Plan Cancellation- none

IX. Reports, Correspondence and Announcements

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- a. NRCS Cook
 - i. Program update
 - 1. Worked with 3 districts
 - 2. Range/grazing majority
 - 3. Agroforestry interest increasing
 - 4. Application for FY2022
 - a. 11/15 deadline
 - b. Obligation earlier than last year, take place march/April
 - c. Resource concerns same as last year
 - ii. Contribution agreement for Targeted Conservation Plan
 - 1. Take place in FY2023
 - b. Conservation Specialist/Administrative Assistant Fernandez
 - i. NRCS training- working with organic producers (4 days) and Ruslez training for soil loss
 - ii. Few intakes-Dussy Jones, grazing, crop, agroforestry/orchard and Micha Barker for re-forestation
 - iii. Meeting with NRCS specialist for JAA, got JAA for cover crop and mulching, still working on site prep and tree/shrub establishment
 - iv. Few FY2022 application
 - v. NRCS FY2022 programs meeting for contracting
 - vi. Program recap with Keith Core who I did an intake last month
 - vii. Inventory for FY2022 applicant
 - viii. Submitted RMS plan for planner certification, currently in review
 - ix. County report submitted on 10/15
 - x. Unfunded contribution agreement submitted to NRCS which is due on 10/31
 - xi. Upcoming training: cultural resource and soil health
- X. Old Business
- a. County MOA signed
 - i. Check deposit
 - b. NWQI
 - i. Draft submitted
 - ii. Received comments
 - iii. Payment request by MCSI & FSI
 - c. NRCS long range plan
- XI. New Business
- a. Board of Director Election



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- i. Guy Cellier elected for director position, got minimum votes of 25. He will fill the remaining position for the board.
 - ii. Background is forestry
 - iii. If anyone else wants to be on the board they will come on as a temporary position.
 - iv. Approved
- b. DLNR check received
 - i. Deposited and will be on October statement
- c. Notice from Michelle Watkins to add a testimony clause to the agenda, where people can submit 24 hr. in advance testimony on anything that is on the agenda and able to speak at the meeting. We also need to mail the agenda to Peter Fritz.
 - i. Peter contacted Suzanne Case about not receiving agenda's from the SWCD. MKSWCD was not aware of sending Peter our agenda. We have a email list of people who requested receiving the agenda's who Nicole sends to
 - ii. Mail the agenda to Peter
 - iii. Also have to add a testimony clause to the agenda, which started from this meeting onward.
- d. NRCS vehicles
 - i. SWCD able to drive but at own risk
 - ii. NRCS not policing
 - iii. NRCS not be chauffeuring SWCD around unless going for same purpose
 1. If MKSWCD at fault liability will be on MKSWCD but if not at fault NRCS may fix vehicle
 2. WFO will take SWCD if needs help doing CTA plans
- e. Open discussion

XII. Adjournment

End: 4:51pm

Written testimony can be submitted in advance of each meeting that will be distributed to board members prior to the meeting. Written testimony must be submitted no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting to ensure time for board members to review it. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the record, but we cannot assure board members will receive it with sufficient time for review prior to decision-making. Submit written testimony to nicole.fernandez@hi.nacdnet.net. To provide live testimony during the meeting, email your request to nicole.fernandez@hi.nacdnet.net at least 24 hours in advance, with your name, phone number, email address, and the agenda item on which you would like to testify. Once your request has been received, you will receive an email with the Microsoft Teams link to testify. You will need a computer with internet access, video camera, and microphone to participate. If



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you require access by phone, please indicate that in your email request. Testimony will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per person per agenda. Individuals requiring special assistance or auxiliary air 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 or nicole.fernandez@hi.nacdnet.net to make arrangements. Next MKSWCD meeting will be November 10, 2021 4:00-6:00 P.M. through Microsoft Teams until further notice.