



Mauna Kea Soil & Water Conservation District

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

Date: Wednesday, June 8, 2022

Time: 3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Location: USDA-NRCS Waimea Field Office

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Start: 3:04 p.m.

- I. Approval of Agenda- **approved**
- II. Approval/Review Minutes- 5/11/2022- **approved**
- III. Treasurer's report Lau
 - a. **No change**
 - b. **Payroll deduction**
 - c. **Wishard account \$22.16 mistake should be zero. Amount from last month treasure's report**
- IV. Chairman's Report von Holt
 - a. **None**
- V. Committee Report- **None**
- VI. Farm Dwelling Review- **None**
- VII. Sub-division Review- **None**
- VIII. Agreements/Contract Approval
 - a. Cooperative Agreement
 - i. **None**
 - b. Plan Approval
 - i. **None**
 - c. Plan Revision
 - i. **None**
 - d. Plan Update
 - i. **None**



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- e. Plan Cancellation
 - i. None

- IX. Reports, Correspondence and Announcements
 - a. NRCS
 - i. Program update Cook
 - 1. CTA guidance questions/recap
 - a. No questions

 - ii. 1 CSP, 1 AMA, 7 EQIP

 - iii. Additional funding has been requested

 - iv. Acting director JB Martin
 - 1. TCP is optional

 - v. LRP
 - 1. 12 month to complete
 - 2. Start September 2022

 - vi. NWQI July will be approved
 - 1. Federal fund pool to address degrade watersheds
 - 2. Fund pool created to address RC in designated watershed over 5 year period
 - 3. Fund pool just for Waimea and within designated watershed

 - vii. Kohala Center got grant from Bureau of Reclamation, part of watersmart grant. Report should come in at end of month or July. Build off of Kohala Watershed Partnership proposal back in 2007.

 - viii. Nutrient management plan training in October/November 2022

 - b. Conservation Specialist/Administrative Assistant Fernandez
 - i. Intakes start in June (next week). 5 intakes to date
 - ii. LRP submitted May 27th
 - iii. CR inventory with A.Fujii
 - iv. Pasture health check with C.Auweloa on overgrazed pasture
 - v. Helped with Parker Ranch burned site grass germination survey to determine how the grass trial plantings are doing

- X. Old Business
 - a. Health insurance increase



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- i. Medical increase by a few dollars and dental decrease
 - b. Board of Directors term ending June 30, 2022
 - i. Willie Rice- Elected
 - ii. Pono von Holt- Appointed
 - c. Waimea FO open to public
 - i. board meetings in office
 - ii. Office 3 times a week and telework 2 times a week
 - d. LRP
 - i. MKSWCD will be the applicant?
 - e. HACD meeting
 - i. Still trying to figure out the liability insurance that includes collision
 - 1. waiting to hear back from one company that provides commercial insurance
 - 2. still should not be driving NRCS vehicles
 - 3. Annual HACD meeting will be held in June 2023 in Hilo/Volcano
 - 4. September 2022, NACD pacific region meeting will be held in Maui
 - a. board members are able to attend and able to use funds received by DLNR
 - f. Continuation of discussion from last meeting with G. Cellier about conservation plans
- XI. New Business
- a. LRP Proposal submitted
 - i. Submitted on May 27th
 - b. Cooperator/plan approval list
 - i. Average signing of contracts is 1 year, some are quicker
 - ii. Went back 2019 contracts signed to track
 - c. Board of directors term extension
 - i. Pono extending term for another 3 years
 - ii. Willie extending term?
 - 1. will extend term for another 3 years
 - d. Open discussion



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- i. Keep track of list of cooperators of when plan was signed. Suggested go over every other meeting or quarterly?
 1. Will do quarterly to update list of plan approval
- ii. Use as a tracking method to see how long it may take to approve plans
- iii. Will help to address complaints about plans taking long time to approve
- iv. Help to make districts aware of NRCS contracting process

XII. Adjournment

End: 3:54 p.m.

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