



West O'ahu Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting

April 22, 2025 - 12:30 p.m.

Locations:

The meeting is accessible online and in person.

Online

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Meeting ID: 815 9852 1358

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In person

Physical address: 92-1770 Kunia Road, Kunia HI 96759, Hawai'i Agricultural Research Station (HARC). The meeting will take place in the O'ahu RC&D office. Please call (808) 201-7742 when you arrive to be let into the building.

In-attendance:

- In-person:
 - Board Member(s): Larry Jefts
 - Logan Motas
- Online:
 - Board Members: Joe Para, Taylor Kellerman, Alike Napier, Michael Moefu
 - Dave Elliott, Dave Burlew, Becca Hueckel, TK McKenzie, Megan Gonsalves

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: 12:39pm
2. Reports:
 - Approval of March 2025 meeting minutes. MM moves to approve. TK seconds. All in favor.
 - Financial Update:

- No move to approve P&L Report and Balance Sheet since it's inaccurate, with a note that when there is going to be an evaluation of proposed corrected P&L Report and Balance Sheet, it'll be reflected on the agenda and updates will be sent to Directors beforehand.

3. Board Business:

- Presentation of Cooperative Agreements and Conservation Plans
 - BH
 - Being presented on behalf of KR: Cooperative Agreement for TMK 8-5-004:020 (por.). MM moves to approve. TK seconds. All in favor.
 - Cooperative Agreement for TMK 6-7-002:043 (por.). TK moves to approve. AN seconds. All in favor.
 - MG, presenting on behalf of SM
 - Cooperative Agreement for TMK 65001056, 65005009, 64003016. Cooperator was originally presented a few months ago but the TMK had different tenants on it. AN moves to approve. MM seconds. All in favor with the comment that there is a lot of dumping going on in the parcel. The Cooperator plans to clean up as best as possible with a potential plan to install a gate. The Cooperator hopes tenants discourage dumping from the public.
 - BH
 - Conservation Plan for TMK 68002005 (por.). AN moves to approve. TK seconds. All in favor.

4. Partner updates:

- Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
 - All eligible applications for the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding is being deferred with further guidance to be given in the future.
 - Local Working Group (LWG) meeting will be held late July to August but there's not an exact date right now. This date will be pinned down by next meeting.
 - NRCS-PIA is down 70 employees after the fork-in-the-road offer.
- O'ahu Resource Conservation & Development Council (ORCD)
 - Setting up funding to distribute \$400k in cost share to Perimeter Fencing for Feral Swine participants through two rounds of funding. Currently, the Phase I participants are being contracted and Phase II participants are being identified. O'ahu RC&D is inviting producers, farmers, and ranchers who are navigating issues with federal contracts to get in touch with them. Grant writing services for ranchers and farmers continues. \$39 million in funding was terminated previous Monday for Hawai'i Climate-Smart Commodities, something O'ahu RC&D participated in. Participants were invited to resubmit their proposals so there's a possibility of being re-awarded.

5. Next meeting

May 27th, 2025.

6. Adjourned: 1:36pm

Public testimony. Members of the public wishing to submit oral or written testimony on an agenda item may do so at monthly meetings. Please submit written testimony via email to WestOahuSWCD@gmail.com or via mail to P. O. Box 172, 92-1770 Kunia Rd., Kunia, Hawai'i 96759. To aid in sharing information with Directors, kindly submit written testimony **24 hours in advance** of the monthly meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month (e.g. by 12:30pm on Monday).

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