Chairperson Suzanne D. Case called the meeting of the Board of Land and Natural Resources to order at 9:02 a.m. The following were in attendance:

MEMBERS
Suzanne D. Case
Thomas Oi
Ulalia Woodside

STAFF
Russell Tsuji-LAND
Curt Cottrell-PARKS
Keith Chun-LAND
Eric Yuasa-DOBOR

Berry Cheung-LAND
Ed Underwood-DOBOR
Alton Miyasaka-DAR

OTHERS
Julie China/Deputy AG
David Bettencourt/M-2
Wesley Chang/D-9
Thomas Young/D-7
Tae Young Kim/D-8

Ross Smith/DOT-AIR
Micah Kane/D-9
Stephanie Pascuall/ D-4
Boyd Yamamoto/D-8
Tina Prettyman/J-3

Member Yuen was absent. He was out sick, but excused.

ITEM J-9  Delegation of Authority to the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) to Enter Into a Contract for Goods and Services with the University of Hawaii for the Purposes of Quantify Public Natural Resource Protection Values Attributable to Day Moorings Through Biological Monitoring, Before and After Installation of Moorings in Hilo Harbor.

Withdrawn

ITEM A-1  Approval of January 22, 2016 Minutes
Member Woodside said she sent her amendment to the Board Secretary; there was an item that didn’t note what Board Member’s seconded the motion to approve.

**Unanimously approved as submitted (Woodside, Gomes)**

ITEM M-2 Issuance of a Revocable Permit for Aircraft Parking, Federal Express Corporation, Honolulu International Airport, Tax Map Key: (1) 1-1-003: 001 (Portion).

Ross Smith representing the Department of Transportation-Airports Division-DOT-AIR presented items M-1 through M-3.

David Bettencourt testified in regards to Item M-2.

Smith explained the process.

Member Roehrig asked Smith to find out more information and include it in the submittal.

Member Roehrig made a motion to defer Item M-2, Member Gomes seconded.

**Unanimously moved to differ (Roehrig, Gomes)**

ITEM M-1 Issuance of a Revocable Permit for a Staging Area, Nan, Inc., Honolulu International Airport, Tax Map Key: (1) 1-1-003: 001 (Portion).

ITEM M-3 Issuance of a Revocable Permit, Parking Area for Cargo Operations, United Parcel Service Co., Honolulu International Airport, Tax Map Key: (1) 1-1-72: 24, 52 & 53.

Ross Smith Property Manager with the Department of Transportation-Airports Division-DOT-AIR reviewed items M-1 through M-3.

There were no changes and no questions for items M-1 and M-3.

Member Oi suggested making a list of charges.

**Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Woodside)**

ITEM M-2 Issuance of a Revocable Permit for Aircraft Parking, Federal Express Corporation, Honolulu International Airport, Tax Map Key: (1) 1-1-003: 001 (Portion).

David Bettencourt testified that this was a permit that normally had no commercial use but since it was going to Federal Express- FedEx, he assumed it would have commercial use. The value is 6.6 cents per square foot, which should be compared to what the commercial operators pay.
which is $2.28 per square foot. This is a commercial operation; the standard procedure was that it can’t be used for commercial purposes. He said this was a bad economic deal and shows discrimination towards other types of operators.

Member Roehrig asked to hear from Smith on this item.

Smith explained that the process was that an application can be picked up from the Airport manager’s office. The airport manager will approve (or not) the contents of the request. It is then up to DOT-AIR to issue a permit if the airport manager is supporting the effort. DOT-AIR then comes to the Board for the approval of the permit they are requesting. Smith detailed that they rely on the airport manager’s interpretation since he is the aviation expert.

Member Roehrig commented that one group cannot be charged less than another group. He said the submittal does not explain how this compares to other entities. Smith explained that this was a standard rate for the size of aircraft that vary by airport.

Bettencourt commented that there was not rational financing that the airport puts together.

Chair Case asked that the basis of the rental be described better in the submittal. She said that the Board is supposed to be making sure this is a fair market rental at fair market value, so the more information the submittal can contain, then the better. Smith said he would be happy to bring this back for more information.

He asked Smith to find out more information on this and to include it in the submittal.

Member Roehrig made a motion and to defer item M-2.

Member Oi suggested making a list of each airport and what the charges were. The Board wanted the rate card for the different kinds of uses so they could understand the rate charges.

**Unanimously moved to defer (Roehrig, Gomes)**

**ITEM D-9** Consent to Stock Purchase Agreement and Consent to Mortgage Regarding General Lease No. S-4095 between Hawai‘i OGL LLC, Seller/Mortgagee, and JNC USA, Inc., Purchaser/Mortgagor; Waimanalo, Ko‘olaupoko, O‘ahu, Tax Map Key:(1) 4-1-013:010 & 012.

Russell Tsuji Administrator for the Land Division-LAND conveyed item D-9. Micah Kane, the consultant was present.

Member Downing asked why they have to consent to mortgage, are there liabilities. Tsuji said it was part of the lease, they are not able to mortgage without the Board’s consent. It’s a term lease like the Naniloa, for example.

Member Roehrig commented that they don’t want a situation where the assignee goes on default on the mortgage, then whoever is the lender ends up being the lessee. He asked if the assignee has the financial ability to pay the monthly note. Tsuji said they didn’t look at that information.
Wesley Chang, the corporate attorney for the seller, Hawaii OGL LLC explained that in the worst case scenario, the seller (the golf course) would go back in and take back the golf course.

Member Roehrig asked if there was something in writing so if the assignee can’t meet the monthly note, then someone else ends up being the lessee that the Board doesn’t know about.

Chair Case suggested an agreement by the purchaser to take responsibility under the lease. Tsuji didn’t think it was necessary because it was not an assignment.

Member Roehrig thought the Board needed the transactional papers that are bringing about the transactions.

Chair Case commented that the Board’s obligation is to make sure that the purchaser of the stock has the financial capability to making the obligations of the lessee under the lease.

Barry Cheung-LAND said he checked those documents before hand, but did not get a financial statement.

Member Roehrig asked if this could be deferred so that they Board can review the financial statement.

Member Woodside didn’t think more information was needed if staff already looked at this and what the Boards criteria would be. She didn’t feel that was appropriate.

Member Roehrig said at minimum staff needed to evaluate the financial statement, it can be done confidentially, doesn’t need to be public. He said that the Board needed to be certain that the potential assignee can meet the note and pay it down.

Member Woodside commented that she didn’t need to review the financial statement.

Kane said that the assignee is locally better suited that the present assignee now. He commented that if anyone should be concerned about the financial viability, it should be them. In their due-diligence they feel comfortable about the strength of the company.

Chang added that the stock purchase agreement provides that the seller has already received 1 million dollars of the purchase price as a non-refundable payment. They are very confident of the qualifications.

Member Roehrig understood, but staff didn’t look at the financial statement.

Chair Case reiterated that there is a new entity coming in to purchase the entity that is the lessee, after that transaction is done and the current entity that is the lessee is paid off, you are out of the picture. That buyer is now running the corporation that runs the golf course that is the lessee. She said that the Board was just trying to make sure that the lessee is able to meet the finances to make the lease.
Tsuji noted that the Bankruptcy court did not evaluate the financial ability of the winning bidder, all they cared about was the price.

Member Roehrig said that what the Board does for one needs to be done for all.

Member Woodside agreed, but asked if this was new direction that they were giving to staff. She felt that it puts lessees in a difficult situation if staff is not being consistent in submitting proposals or submittals. She was concerned that if staff is bringing a submittal to the Board and they are not confident in the agreement. She didn’t understand why the Board is looking at this today if staff was not confident.

Kane said this was poised to do well. Chang said they have invested additional funds.

Member Downing commented that a financial statement would be the simplest way to prove that they are capable. Staff can just review it and come back in 2 weeks and let the Board know if they are comfortable or not. Chang said they would be able to provide that.

Member Downing made a motion to defer, Member Roehrig seconded.

Deferred until April 8, 2016 meeting (Downing, Roehrig)

ITE E-3 Grant of Term, Non-Exclusive Easement and Management Right-Of-Entry to Polka Place LLC for Erosion Control and Drainage Improvements and Site Remediation Purposes, Diamond Head, Honolulu, O‘ahu, Tax Map Key: (1) 3-1-042:017 (portion).

Curt Cottrell Administrator for State Parks-PARKS walked the Board through the benchmarks. Under the remarks section on December 12th, 2014 pursuant to the OCCL rules, the Board found Polka Place in violation; that has been remitted; the fine was paid on October 8th. On February 12, 2016 the Board approved the Polka Place CDUA.

Cottrell asked to modify the submittal to strike the recommendation to 171-53.

Member Gomes asked if the public would have access. Cottrell said no, it’s not a public access area, and would not like people to use the area because it’s an unauthorized area.

Chair case disclosed that the principle in Polka Place was a donor for her former employer, The Nature Conservancy-TNC; she had no interest in this matter.

Member Woodside disclosed that the principle in Polka Place was a donor for her current employer, TNC in 2011.

Member Downing asked if the area was going to be made back to its natural state. Cottrell said they were going to remove the aesthetic improvements and leave the flood control features.
Member Downing asked what the purpose was. Cottrell explained that it gives them easement on State land to maintain flood control improvements and remove landscaping. PARKS is granting them an easement onto the property for the purpose of maintaining the flood control structures for 55 years.

Cottrell explained that this was a way to dealing with the runoff, and thought it was a good deal.

Member Downing was not in favor.

5:1 Vote.

Unanimously approved as amended (Gomes, Woodside)

ITEM D-4 Approval of Right-of-Entry Permit to Hawaii Explosives & Pyrotechnics, Inc. for Set up and Firing of Aerial Fireworks Display at Shipwreck Beach on April 11, 2016, Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (4) 2-9-001: seaward of 002.

Written testimony was submitted by Hawaii Explosives Pyrotechnics, Inc.

Tsuji-LAND reviewed item D-4. Attached was a sample of what was turned in by Hawaii Explosives in regards to clean up. At the last Board meeting the Board asked for a number of things to be looked it. Tsuji explained that it’s still being worked on, it has the conditions as to what was previously approved at the last Board meeting.

Member Downing asked if staff had the safety zone, if they don’t have it he would like it. He was asking because there are two sites. Member Oi pointed out that the submittal said 350 feet safety radius around the safety zone.

Member Oi asked how they would be shot; straight up or towards the building.

Stephanie Pascual from Hawaii Explosives explained that they always angle offshore when doing beach productions. In regards to Member Downing’s question, she said that the NFPA regulations require a minimum of 70 ft. per inch. There is a 1/3 offset allowed.

Member Roehrig said that in reviewing HAR-11-54 it appeared that anyone that wanted to discharge anything into State waters had to have it reviewed. He said that before the Board approves any of these things, they need to know what the status is of the individual that’s coming before the Board.

S. Pascual commented that the information she got was contradicting. The person she spoke with from the Department of Health-DOH told them no permit was required, they just need to clean up as best they can.

Member Roehrig suggested making an application.
Member Woodside said she was comfortable with what Pascual did from last meeting to this meeting. She suggested getting something in writing saying that they didn’t need a permit.

Member Gomes asked if it should be the Department’s responsibility to determine what needed to be addressed. Tsuji said in this case if the DOH said a permit is not required, then they are not going to a permit.

S. Pascual submitted the research she found in the last 4 years and a letter from their manufacturer.

Member Oi suggested the department submit something to DOH.

Chair Case committed to reaching out to DOH.

S. Pascual submitted her pre and post cleanup procedures that the Board asked for, for Ship Wreck Beach.

S. Pascual asked to change the firing time from 9:45 to 7:45, the time of the overall operation would remain the same. She also asked the Board to reconsider a certified check and going back to a company check as the deposit.

Chair Case said she would like to keep one certified check and use it on a revolving basis. She also suggested holding the $2,500 check for 7 days, giving them 5 business days to turn in certification and photographs of the cleanup.

Member Oi suggested they move their firing site more mauka of the shoreline.

S. Pascual said she would work with her client.

Member Downing commented that the hotels need to be conditioned to move back away from the shoreline.

S. Pascual gave the Board a basic understanding of the fireworks process.

There was no public testimony. Member Downing made a motion to approve as amended, Member Roehrig seconded.

First, the text of the submittal on page 2 was amended to reflect a change in the estimated firing time from 9:45pm to 7:45pm. Second, the form Right of Entry (Exhibit C) was amended to (i) shorten the time period for permittee to submit to the Department the certifications of cleanup and photographs from 5 business days to 3 days calendar days following the event; (ii) shorten the time period for holding the $2500 certified check from 30 days to 7 days following the event; and (iii) the last sentence in paragraph 6 in the Right of Entry (Exhibit C) is amended to state that if after the cure period of 48 hours, the Department determines the clean-up remains unsatisfactory, the deposit shall be forfeited within 7 calendar days after the event date and the
Board shall be notified of such forfeiture the next time the permittee applies for a right of entry permit for a fireworks display.

Unanimously approved as amended (Downing, Roehrig)

ITEM D-6 Withdrawal of Approximately 2 Acres from General Lease No. S-5570, Michael C. Tulang, Lessee, Set Aside to the County of Hawaii for the Kawaihali Fire Station and Issuance of a Right-of-Entry, Waiakea Homesteads, Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 2-4-51: portion of 01.

A representative from the County was present.

No changes.

Unanimously approved as submitted (Roehrig, Gomes)

ITEM D-7 Sale of Remnant (Triangulation Survey Station) to Thomas C. Young and Margaret M. Young, Manawaiopae, North Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 3-6-003:034.

Thomas Young was present; Tsuji had nothing to add.

Member Oi commented that the trig station could be found.

Thomas Young with the buyer explained that the trig station went in in 1910 and gave the history.

Member Oi stated that the trig station still exists no matter what, the monument or what was used at the time doesn’t exist.

Member Roehrig made a motion to approve, Member Gomes seconded.

Unanimously approved as submitted (Roehrig, Gomes)

ITEM D-8 Amend Prior Board Action of March 14, 2014, Item D-12; Approval in Principle for Issuance of Direct Lease to Kosong Foundation, Inc. for Michuhol Museum and International Center Purposes; Issuance of Right-of-Entry for Site Investigation Purposes, Honolulu, Oahu, Tax Map Key: (1) 2-4-005:019.

The Amendment is to Extend the Right-of-Entry up to March 31, 2018.

Written testimony was submitted by Scott E. Enright.
Tsuji conveyed item D-8. Testimony was received from the Department of Agriculture-DOA and they do not object provided there be no obstruction to State and employee vehicles entering, leaving and parking in existing stalls at any time during the duration of the right of entry.

Boyd Yamamoto Planner with the Department of Agriculture representing the Chair testified that he became aware of this because he made it a point to look at the BLNR agendas and submittals. They were not aware of this request for extension. Over the past 2 years the Department of Agriculture was not contacted or provided any status of the required Environmental Assessment-EA. They oppose any project that proposes to demolish the existing lab, impair the use of the existing lab in anyway or would require the construction of a new facility. They don’t object to the right of entry with the purposes of site inspection.

Chair Case disclosed that it is very important to make sure there is no diminishment in these State resources.

Member Woodside asked Tsuji to clarify the location of the proposed project in relation to Ag buildings in the parking structure. Tsuji understood that it was where the trees are. Tsuji wasn’t aware that DOA wasn’t brought in.

Tae Young Kim with Environmental Communications clarified that they understood the DOA concern and apologized that no status report was provided during the past 2 years. He didn’t think there was a clear understating that they needed to report to the DOA. Kim explained that what was represented in the aerial photograph was what was prepared within those 2 years, however work beyond that was not prepared because the construction environment changed.

Member Woodside asked Kim to provide existing conditions along with proposed conditions and graphics to better understand if this came back in the future.

Chair Case expressed her concern about the impact on the historic buildings. Kim understood, and stated that the project must be scaled down.

Member Woodside asked which historic studies would be done in their EA. Kim said it was required that the work with the State Historic Preservation Division-SHPD but the historic buildings will not be touched.

Chair Case suggested checking with SHPD architecturally.

Member Oi made a motion to approve, no second.

Member Gomes asked if any encroachment would be done during the next two years on parking stalls, buildings or related structures. Kim said no, and there would be no demolition.

Member Roehrig asked how much would be done in 1 year. Kim said technical studies could be done within the year but everything would take 2 years. Member Roehrig seconded the motion.

Member Downing asked what happened if this plan goes through.
Tsuji confirmed that it would have to come back to the Land Board.

All were in favor, but Chair Case and Member Gomes had reservations.

Chair Case reminded them to work with DOA and SHPD.

**Unanimously approved as submitted (Oi, Roehrig)**

**ITEM J-1**  
(Status Report on Revocable Permits ("RP") to Surf N' Sea, Inc. (RP No. BO-1170) at Hale'iwa, O'ahu, Hawai'i, Tax Map Key No. (1) 6-2-003:039; Wilson Keahi (RP No. S-5867) at Lāhainā, Maui, Hawai'i, Tax Map Key No. (2) 4-5-005:019; and GKM, Inc. (RP No. BH-010-07) at Kealakehe, North Kona, Hawai'i, Tax Map Key No. (3) 7-4-008:003 (por)).

Ed Underwood Administrator for the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation-DOBOR explained that the Board previously authorized the renewal of all of DOBOR's RPs,, increases to the rents by 5 years CPI, and for DOBOR to go out and have the RPs appraised. There were three folks that had RPs that testified at a previous Board meeting that they had requested long term leases but that DOBOR had never taken any action. The Board requested that DOBOR review these RPs and report back to the Board with an update. DOBOR's preliminary research determined there were two common issues: the parcels were not legally subdivided lots, and the current uses may not be permitted under county zoning requirements. Underwood stated that further research may be needed.

One for the 3 here today is from GKM.

Underwood reported that DOBOR has hired an appraiser to determine market rents, and after meeting with the appraiser, the appraiser indicated that appraising each RP individually would be costly. Therefore, DOBOR and the appraiser decided to break them down into different categories and they would be appraised by categories.

Keith Chun from LAND working on this project added that DOBOR would be able to provide information on all of DOBOR's RPs. Chair Case appreciated that but said the Board would focus on the 3. The Board has decided to continue to process these RPs as the revocable permit task force continues to do work on developing recommendations for all of DLNR's RPs.

Chun explained that the first of the three RPs was Surf N' Sea, which has occupied the property since the 1960's. However, the RP area hasn't been subdivided and would need to be in order to issue a long term lease. In fact, the same two issues arose for all three of the RPs: they were located on unsubdivided lands and the current uses appeared to not be permitted uses under county zoning.

Member Roehrig asked how this all happened. Chun explained he discovered that oftentimes with EOs and RPs for State lands, the State just asks the survey department to draw a CSF map and draft a legal description and attach it to the EO or RP. However, that does not constitute a
legal lot of record from the counties’ perspective, which presents a problem when a tenant needs a building permit and/or financing.

The underlined zoning is another issue. With respect to Surf N’ Sea, Chun said he wasn’t sure if the use was grandfathered in or not- but he didn’t have time to get that far into researching that issue.

Chun also pointed out that the small boat harbors were transferred to Underwood (DOBOR) by law, from DOT without any proper subdivision. Therefore, bulk subdivision approvals for the EO areas to DOBOR may be necessary. Chun also explained that Underwood was able to get a new planning and development section approved for DOBOR and that this new section would be responsible for looking into these issues and possibly creating master plans to create appropriate sized lots within it.

Chun gave more history about RPs and explained that there has been talk in the news about DLNR RP rents being discounted, for example, by 25%. However, Chun said this is misleading because while a rent may have been discounted by 25% when an RP was issued in the 1990s, the RPs have now been in existence for 20-30 years without any rent increases, so that same rent from the 1990s now represents a much larger discount when compared to current market rents. Chun explained that when he and another LAND employee worked on LAND’s RPs in 2013, a preliminary assessment from the appraiser hired by LAND was that some of the RP rents were between 1000% to 4000% below market rents.

Chun explained that when the RP rents current being charged are well below market rents, there will be a lot of people that ask for an RP or lease. However, what Underwood is doing now to determine true market rents will give DOBOR a better idea of what the true demand for these lands is.

Chair Case noted that the basic conclusion is where it’s a portion of a larger lot, switching from an RP to a long term lease involves a bigger analysis to determine if it’s even worth it.

Tina Prettyman General Manager for GKM Inc. (J-3) testified that they were not accept that they are in violation of their harbor lease, they always have and continue to follow the leasing process as stated in their master lease and all subleases have been submitted properly, signed, notarized then forwarded to DLNR property management. It has been uncomfortable and has caused stress to the management of GKM Inc. She also commented that they found out about this yesterday and that makes it difficult coming from outer island.

There was no other testimony.

Non Action Item

ITEM D-1 Issuance of Right-of-Entry Permit to St. Theresa School for Parking Purposes for Annual School Carnival on State Unencumbered Lands, por. of Kekaha House Lots, Kekaha, Waimea, Kauai, Tax Map Keys: (4) 1-3-004:054 and (4) 1-3-011:001.
No changes, no public testimony.

Chair Case noted that there was no one left to provide testimony.

**Unanimously approved as submitted (Downing, Roehrig)**

**ITEM D-2**  Authorization to Issue Procurement Solicitation and Award of Contract Under Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 103D for the Maintenance of the Peekauai Ditch (TMK: (4) 1-5-002:008 & 009) and the Stream Mouth Maintenance at Waimea, Wailua, and Kapaa Rivers on Kauai, Hawaii.

No changes, no public testimony.

**Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Oi)**

**ITEM D-3**  Preliminary Approval of Acquisition of Easements on Private Lands for Ko Road Rockfall Mitigation Project - Makai Section, Part Two, Elele, Koloa, Kauai, Tax Map Keys: (4) 2-1-007:150, 151, 156, 157, 158 & 160 (portions)

No changes, no public testimony.

**Unanimously approved as submitted (Oi, Gomes)**

**ITEM D-5**  Sale of Lease at Public Auction for Industrial Purposes, Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 2-2-050:083; Issuance of a Revocable Permit to Ruel Abalos Doing Business as Abalos Motorworks for Auto Repair Purposes Pending Public Auction, Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 2-2-050:083.

No changes, no public testimony.

**Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Woodside)**

**ITEM E-1**  Request for Authorization for the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources to Sign, Execute, and Amend Contract(s) for the Capital Improvement Project to the 501(C)(3) Nonprofit Organization, Aha Hui E Kala DBA Lawai International Center on the Island of Kau‘ai Tax Map Key: 4-2-5-004-007.

**ITEM E-2**  Request for Authorization for the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources to Sign, Execute, and Amend Contract(s) for the Capital Improvement Project to the 501(C)(3) Nonprofit Organization, Hui O Laka DBA Kōkeʻe Natural History Museum On The Division Of State Parks Tax Map Key: (4) 1-4-01:13 In Kōkeʻe State Park, Kauaʻi

And
Request Approval Of Declaration Of Exemption To Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Environmental Compliance Requirements For The Capital Improvement Project.

Curt Cottrell Administrator for State Parks-PARKS presented items E-1 and E-2, no questions and no public testimony.

Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Roehrig)

ITEM F-1 Request for Approval to Add Funding ($400,000 Federal, $150,000 DLNR Trust Fund, $20,000 General Fund) and Extend through FY17 the Project Agreement (Contract No. 58627, Amendment No. 7) between the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) and The Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH) for the Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR) Research Project Titled “Statewide Marine Resources Assessment” (aka Maui/O‘ahu Marine Resources Assessment).

Alton Miyasaka with the Division of Aquatic Resources-DAR reviewed item F-1 and noted that his is ongoing. The research that is coming back is compiled and summarized, analyzed and used for management purposes. That information is available to the public once it’s made public.

Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Oi)

ITEM F-2 Request for Approval to Add Funding ($857,500 Federal, $13,000 Sport Fish Special Fund) and Extend through FY17 the Project Agreement (Contract No. 60395, Amendment No. 5) between the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) and The Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH) for the Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR) Research Project Titled “Investigation of Estuarine Habitats.”

No changes, no questions, no public testimony.

Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Oi)

ITEM F-3 Request for Approval to Add Funding ($566,250 Federal, $93,750 Commercial Fisheries Special Fund) and Extend through FY17 the Project Agreement (Contract No. 60393, Amendment No. 5) between the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) and The Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH) for the Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR) Research Project Titled “Hawaii Marine Recreational Fishing Survey.”

No changes, no questions, no public testimony.

Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Oi)
ITEM J-2 Declare Project Exempt From Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11, Chapter 200, Hawaii Administrative Rules, Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation Administration Building Improvements at the Keehi Small Boat Harbor, Honolulu, Oahu, Hawai‘i.

ITEM J-3 Declare Project Exempt From Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11, Chapter 200, Hawai‘i Administrative Rules. Job No. OA16-09, Maunalua Bay Boat Ramp Parking and Roadway Pavement Repairs Honolulu, O‘ahu, Hawai‘i.

ITEM J-4 Declare Project Exempt From Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11, Chapter 200, Hawaii Administrative Rules Keehi Small Boat Harbor Paving, Sewer, Water, Fencing, Dock Repairs and Abandoned Vessel Removal Improvements, Honolulu, Oahu, Hawai‘i.

ITEM J-5 Declare Project Exempt From Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11, Chapter 200, Hawai‘i Administrative Rules. Kihei Boat Ramp Improvements Kihei, Maui, Hawai‘i.

ITEM J-6 Declare Project Exempt From Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11, Chapter 200, Hawai‘i Administrative Rules. Puakō Boat Ramp Paving and Drainage Improvements Puakō, Island of Hawai‘i, Hawai‘i.

ITEM J-7 Declare Project Exempt From Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS, and Title 11, Chapter 200, Hawai‘i Administrative Rules. Removal and Disposal of Sunken/Derelict Vessels, Marine Debris, Oil Spill Residue and Building Materials From Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR) Facilities, Statewide, Hawai‘i.


In regards to item J-3, Member Downing asked how the drainage was working out. Underwood said it was working and is sloping into the grassy area. The community wasn’t happy with the way the washdowns are being configured. DOBOR worked with them and are going to expand the paving so the boats will be able to pull in at an angle.

Member Downing asked what happen to the makai side. Yuasa explained that the water would drain directly into the ocean. DOBOR met with DOH and together they felt that Maunalua would be good for a new washdown area that would actually drain to a land base area that doesn’t
directly connect to the ocean. The only problem was that the boaters didn’t like having to parallel park.

AG Julie China commented that she passes by there every day and it’s busy every day.

Unanimously approved as submitted (Gomes, Roehrig)

There being no further business, Chairperson Suzanne D. Case adjourned the meeting at 12:06 p.m. Recording(s) of the meeting and all written testimonies submitted at the meeting are filed in the Chairperson’s Office and are available for review. Certain items on the agenda were taken out of sequence to accommodate applicants or interested parties present.

Respectfully submitted,

Ku‘ulei Moses
Land Board Secretary

Approved for submittal:

Suzanne D. Case
Chairperson
Department of Land and Natural Resources