Chairperson and Members
Board of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawai‘i
Honolulu, Hawai‘i

Land Board Members:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE
CHAIRPERSON TO APPROVE, SIGN, EXECUTE, AMEND, AND
EXTEND MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENTS WITH THE VARIOUS
CIRCUIT COURTS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE AND
REMEDIATION, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AS TO FORM BY THE
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

BACKGROUND:

The Department has a successful partnership with restitution units of the First Circuit Court to
provide community service labor ranging from file organizing, truck washing, nursery work,
baseyard facility maintenance and other work consistent with community service standards and
desires to extend this partnership and expand it to other Circuit Courts throughout the state as
available.

DISCUSSION:

This delegation would allow the Department the ability to continue partnering with the courts to
provide labor for community service, as well as establish additional work sites throughout the
state. Community service helps lightens the load on jails and probation departments and give
defendants a chance to give back. In this type of alternative sentence, a judge orders a criminal
offender to perform work in the community in exchange for a complete or partial reduction of
fines and/or incarceration. Community service provides a mutually beneficial, meaningful and
needed workforce as well as supporting the Environmental Court system and restorative justice
practices in general.

CHAPTER 343 – ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

All work projects will comply with applicable provisions of HRS Chapter 343, and Title 11,
Chapter 200, Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR).
RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Land and Natural Resources delegate authority to the Chairperson to approve, sign, execute, amend, and extend memoranda of agreements with the various Circuit Courts in Hawaii for community service and restitution, subject to approval as to form by the Department of the Attorney General.

Respectfully submitted,

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David G. Smith, Administrator
Division of Forestry and Wildlife

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

[Signature]

Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson
Board of Land and Natural Resources