

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Chairperson and Members
Board of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

Land Board Members:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE CHAIRPERSON TO APPROVE, PROCURE, AWARD, SIGN, EXECUTE, AMEND, AND EXTEND AN INDEFINITE-QUANTITY CONTRACT FOR PREDATOR TRAPS PROCURED THROUGH CHAPTER 103D HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

BACKGROUND:

This submittal requests that the Chairperson be authorized to approve an indefinite-quantity contract for predator traps procured through the Hawaii Public Procurement Code (Ch. 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes).

On April 13, 2017, the Board approved a requested delegation for contracts under \$500,000, excluding contracts procured through 103D-303, Hawaii Revised Statutes: Competitive Sealed Proposals. The Division anticipates spending more than \$500,000 on this predator trap contract.

DISCUSSION:

Predator traps are needed to implement many statewide projects to protect rare native birds, invertebrates, and plants from predators such as rats, mice, and mongoose. They are essential for removing predators within predator-proof fence areas and reducing predator populations in unfenced areas. Large numbers of traps are needed where landscape-level predator reduction occurs, such as in endangered forest bird habitats.

CHAPTER 343 -ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

Predator control is listed as a *de minimis* action that does not require an Environmental Assessment or exemption notification per Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200-8, Hawaii Administrative Rules, under the Department's exemption classes (Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Reviewed and Concurred on by the Environmental Council on November 10, 2020).

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Land and Natural Resources:

- 1) Delegate authority to the Chairperson to approve, procure, award, sign, execute, amend, and extend an indefinite-quantity contract for predator traps procured through Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Respectfully Submitted,



David G. Smith, Administrator

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



DAWN N.S. CHANG, Chairperson