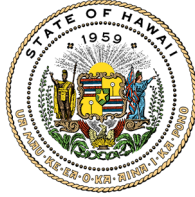


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SUMMARY MINUTES  
FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Audio Link: <https://files.hawaii.gov/dlnr/meeting/audio/Audio-LNR-250725.m4a>

Date: July 25, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM

Place: DLNR Boardroom, Kalanimoku Bldg.  
1151 Punchbowl Street, 1<sup>st</sup> floor/ & Online via Zoom

**MEMBERS**

Dawn Chang  
Doreen Canto  
Vernon Char  
Riley Smith  
Kaiwi Yoon (Absent)  
Karen Ono (Zoom)  
Aimee Barnes (Absent)  
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Dina Lau, Acting Chief Engineer  
Gayson Ching, Engineering

**00:00:07** Chair Chang called the meeting to order. The contested case standard statement was read, and Roll Call of the Members conducted.

**00:05:40**

**ITEM A-1** Approval of July 11, 2025 Summary Minutes

**00:05:58** **To Approve Summary Minutes as Submitted**  
**MOTION** (Canto, Char)

**00:06:20** **PASSED**  
**VOTE** 5 – Unanimous (Canto, Chang, Char, Ono, Smith)

**00:06:43**

**ITEM C-1** Deny Request for a Contested Case Hearing filed by Petitioner E Pa'a Ka'u for

**ITEM A-1**

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July 25, 2025*

the Action Approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) at its Meeting held April 25, 2025, under Agenda Item C-1:

- (1) Approve five grants of available funds from the fiscal year 2025 land conservation fund for the acquisition of interests and rights in specific parcels of land having value as a resource to the state (total area approximately 2,711 acres) ...

B. The Nature Conservancy, up to \$2,000,000 (full funding) for the acquisition of approximately 1,916.058 acres at District of Ka'ū, Island of Hawai'i (Hīlea), Tax Map Key Number (3) 9-5-018:001, with a grant of exemption for any easement required pursuant to Section 173A-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

According to Section 92-5(a)(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Board may go into Executive Session to consult with its attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

00:36:00      **To Approve Staff Recommendation as Submitted**  
MOTION      (Smith, Canto)

00:38:18      **PASSED**  
VOTE          5 – Unanimous

**00:39:11  
ITEM E-1**

Authorize the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of State Parks to Directly Negotiate with Hui Maka'āinana o Makana, an eleemosynary organization, for a Concession Agreement with Hui Maka'āinana o Makana for the Retainment of Fees Collected for the Parking and Shuttle Service and ancillary mission-related revenue generation activities at Hā'ena State Park, Kaua'i, Hawai'i, Tax Map Key: (4) 5-9-008:001 portion;

and

Designate Hā'ena State Park as Environmentally, Culturally, Historically, or Operationally Unique.

*Amendment:* The Board amended recommendation 2. to read as follows (Deletions are bracketed and stricken through):

*"2. Authorize the issuance of a ten-year concession agreement [~~with options to renew,~~] to Hui Maka'āinana o Makana relating to the retainment of fees collected for the parking and shuttle service concession and the ability to sell mission-related items including food and apparel at Hā'ena State Park, subject to."*

01:39:30      **To Approve Staff Recommendation as Amended**  
MOTION      (Ono, Canto)

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01:40:51      **PASSED**  
VOTE            5 – Unanimous

**01:42:14**  
**ITEM E-2**

Selection of Projects for Federal Grant Awards through the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program with Fiscal Year 2024 Funds: Update of the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and Reconstruction of a 2-Ballfield Complex at Sand Island State Recreation Area, O'ahu [TMK: (1) 1-5-041:006].

01:51:34      **To Approve Staff Recommendation as Submitted**  
MOTION        (Char, Smith)

TIME            **PASSED**  
VOTE            5 – Unanimous

**01:52:49**      The Board recessed for a 10-minute break.  
**02:01:55**      The Board returned from the recess.

**02:02:21**  
**ITEM L-1**

Delegation of Authority to the Chairperson to: (1) Procure, Award and Enter into Professional Services Consultant Contracts for Capital Improvement Program Projects and Operating Budget Projects Funded by the Legislature (as Listed in **Exhibit 1**) or Operating Funds; (2) Declare a Construction Project Exempt from The Preparation of an Environmental Assessment, or Approve an Environmental Assessment and Issue a Finding of No Significant Impact, if Appropriate; and (3) Approve, Procure, Award and Enter into Goods, Services, and Construction Contracts for Capital Improvement Program Projects and Operating Budget Projects Funded by the Legislature (as Listed in **Exhibit 1**) or Operating Funds.

02:14:13      **To Approve Staff Recommendation as Submitted**  
MOTION        (Smith, Canto)

02:14:30      **PASSED**  
VOTE            5 – Unanimous

**02:14:40**      There being no further business, Chair Chang adjourned the meeting.

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*July 25, 2025*

Respectfully Submitted:

*Reeana Wright*  
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Acting Land Board Secretary

Approved for Submittal:



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Dawn N.S. Chang, Chairperson  
Board of Land and Natural Resources  
Department of Land and Natural Resources