





APPROVED AT ITS BOARD MEETING

DAWN N.S. CHANG ON AUGUST 22, 2025

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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, 1st floor/ & Online via Zoom

MEMBERS

Dawn Chang **Doreen Canto** Vernon Char Riley Smith Kaiwi Yoon (Absent) Karen Ono (Zoom) Aimee Barnes (Absent) Deputy Attorney General, Danica Swenson STAFF

David Smith, DOFAW Administrator David Penn, DOFAW Curt Cottrell, DSP Administrator Alan Carpenter, DSP Assis. Administrator Martha Yent, DSP 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

> To Approve Summary Minutes as Submitted 00:05:58

MOTION (Canto, Char)

PASSED 00:06:20

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

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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 Kaʻū, Island of Hawaiʻi (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 Makaʻāinana o Makana, an eleemosynary organization, for a Concession Agreement with Hui Makaʻāinana o Makana for the Retainment of Fees Collected for the Parking and Shuttle Service and ancillary mission-related revenue generation activities at Hāʻena State Park, Kauaʻi, Hawaiʻi, 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'äinana 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, Oʻahu [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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Respectfully Submitted:
Reeana Wright
Acting Land Board Secretary

Approved for Submittal:

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