



To: State of Hawaii - Board Of Land and Natural Resources

Date: September 25, 2025

Subject: Renewal of Revocable Permits for livestock grazing

From: Zachary Judd – VP Regional Planning at Parker Ranch

Aloha,

**Parker Ranch is requesting the Board of Land and Natural Resources renew its existing Revocable Permits for grazing lands currently leased to Parker Ranch on Hawaii Island.**

As an active and productive cattle ranch for over 175 years, Parker Ranch has consistently demonstrated its capacity as a leading land steward to promote and maintain the health of the land through the implementation of sound grazing practices and conservation efforts. Specific to the parcels in question, Parker Ranch has utilized these lands to create rotational grazing paddocks in conjunction with adjacent Parker Ranch fee lands, while also supporting DLNR efforts to protect, enhance, and expand forest cover in the adjacent critical Watershed areas. The coordinated land management efforts by Parker Ranch include, but are not limited to, the financial, technical, and community support for forest conservation efforts by DLNR, coordination of public access through leased and fee lands for recreational activities in adjacent DLNR Forest Reserves, invasive feral ungulate control on DLNR lease properties, security personnel to limit trespass and vandalism, and coordinated fire mitigation efforts across the region. All of these efforts are provided by the Ranch on DLNR lease parcels at no cost to the State, and provide numerous benefits to the community as a whole.

Parker Ranch affirms its commitment to the continuation of these collaborative grazing and land management efforts on its leased lands, and asks the Board of Land and Natural Resources to renew its revocable permits for the grazing lands with no increased rental costs.

In addition, specific to parcel (3) 6-2-001:005, Parker Ranch is requesting that DLNR relinquish its desire to sell the lease at public auction. As stated, Parker Ranch has been a leader in land stewardship in close coordination with staff at DLNR, especially so for the parcel in question where public access opportunities are provided by Parker Ranch for the public to access the State Forest Reserves at no cost to DLNR. In addition, the importance of this parcel to Parker Ranch's livestock grazing operations cannot be overstated, and the potential loss of grazing access or increase in lease expense would be devastating to the continuity of our rotational grazing operations, and overall land management in the region. Parker Ranch is requesting the lease for parcel (3) 6-2-001:005 be renewed with the same terms as its other leases.

Mahalo,



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Parker Ranch, Inc.