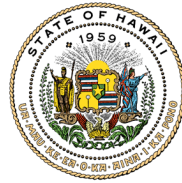


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2026
9:00 AM
DLNR Boardroom, Kalanimoku Building

LAND DIVISION AGENDA ITEMS PURSUANT TO ACT 90

Acting Chairperson Kanaka'ole and Members of the Board:

D4. Set Aside of Lands to the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity, Pursuant to Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, for Agriculture Purposes, Encumbered by Revocable Permit No. S-7386, Dean H. and Nicol U. Nonaka, Permittees, Hanapepe Valley, Waimea, Kauai, Tax Map Keys: (4)1-9-001:002 and 1-9-002:002.

D5. Set Aside of Lands to the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity, Pursuant to Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, for Agriculture Purposes, Encumbered by Revocable Permit No. S-7480, Manuel H. Andrade, Permittee, Kalaheo, Koloa, Kauai, Tax Map Key: (4) 2-3-007:013.

D6. Set Aside of Lands to the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity, Pursuant to Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, for Agriculture Purposes, Encumbered by Revocable Permit No. S-7712, Jeannett Virginia Martins, Permittee, Kawaihau, Kapaa, Kauai, Tax Map Key: (4) 6-005:010.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of agenda items D4, D5 and D6 that transfer lands that are in active agriculture production to the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity (Department) pursuant to Act 90/Session Laws of Hawai'i 2003.

The Department must double food production to move the state to greater food security and nourish Hawai'i's future. The task of growing food relies on agriculture lands, and

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the Department respectfully requests and appreciates the Board of Land and Natural Resources' consideration to approve the referenced agenda items for transfer.

It is anticipated that additional land in active agriculture production may be brought to the Board for transfer to the Department and we look forward to supporting local food production and reducing our reliance on imports.

Thank you, again, for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of agenda items D4, D5 and D6.