BIG ISLAND INVASIVE SPECIES RAPID RESPONSE TEAM LEADER – ID# 22544. Pacific Cooperative Studies Unit (PCSU), Big Island Invasive Species Committee (BIISC). Regular, Full-Time, RCUH Non-Civil Service 11 month limited term, with possible extension position, located in Kona and Hilo, Hawaii. Continuation of employment is dependent upon program/operational needs, satisfactory work performance, and availability of funds. Minimum Monthly Salary: $2,235.00. Duties: Assists the Big Island Invasive Species Committee (BIISC) Project Coordinator in leading BIISC field operations. Works with BIISC members to develop and implement strategic plans to control priority invasive species, supplying BIISC with information on the status of: 1) the current infestations, 2) control efforts, and 3) resources for control operations. Provides leadership, supervision, and logistical support for field crews to systematically survey for invasive species targeted by the BIISC strategic plan and implement control using herbicide and mechanical methods. Obtains necessary permissions from landowners prior to action by the crew. Augments paid staff efforts with effective assistance from volunteers and work training programs such as Alu Like and Americorps. Trains the field crew and volunteers in control methods, decontamination procedures, equipment, herbicides, and safety. Evaluates data and transmits periodically to appropriate BIISC-designated repository for archiving and updating of maps. Prepares substantive written periodic progress reports and technical reports for BIISC and funding sources. Assists public education efforts, works with media, community organizations, civic leaders and individuals through an effective program using personal contact, media briefings, brochures, press releases, presentations, and public service announcements. Coordinates with cooperators, volunteers and the public to establish new collaborative efforts to control invasive species and solicits additional involvement of funding and services. Performs other duties as assigned. Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor’s degree from an accredited four (4) year college or university in Resources Management or related field (e.g. Biology, Botany, Forestry, Geography). A combination of two (2) years of supervisory and field experience in an active resource management program. At least one (1) year of practical experience in vegetation management or control of invasive species in Hawaii or elsewhere. Excellent organizational, leadership supervision and communications skills. Knowledge of how to implement a natural resource-related project. Knowledge of the environmental, economic and human impacts of invasive species in Hawaii. Knowledge of plant taxonomy and the ability to identify BIISC priority weed species. Ability to read maps and aerial photographs and use geographic positioning systems (GPS). Basic computer skills in word processing and spreadsheets. Knowledge of the safe and effective use of pesticides for invasive species control. Ability to work with small mechanized equipment (chain saws, etc.). Possess a valid driver’s license. Ability to obtain State certification as Restricted Pesticide Applicator within 3 months of hiring. Excellent physical condition is essential. Ability to lift and carry fifty (50) pounds. Desirable Qualifications: Demonstrated ability to
communicate clearly both orally and in writing. Knowledge of Hawaiian biota and the threats from incipient alien plant and animal invasions. Working knowledge of geographic information systems (ARCVIEW- GIS) and database management (Paradox, Access or equivalent). Current State certification as Restricted Pesticide Applicator. Demonstrated experience in budget and program management. Inquiries: Lynnette Kinoshita, 956-3932 (Oahu). Application Requirements: Send cover letter (note ID#) and referral source with narrative on your qualifications for the position, resume with salary history, the names, phone numbers, and addresses of three supervisory references, and copy(ies) of degree(s)/transcripts/certificate(s) used to qualify for position via: 1) email: rcuhrapply@rcuh.com 2) fax: (808) 956-5022 or 3) mail: Director of Human Resources, Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii, 2530 Dole Street, Sakamaki Hall D-100, Honolulu, HI 96822. See www.rcuh.com for additional information on employment. Closing Date: November 12, 2002. EEO/AA Employer.