

MAUI INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2003

9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

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MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Attendance/Announcements (Randy Bartlett; ML&P)
 - A. Last Meeting (4/11) Minutes approval
 - B. Action Items for discussion from previous meetings are listed under the appropriate heading within the agenda in *italics*
 - C. Mayor's Ag. Committee: Prevention (Lloyd Loope, USGS-BRD)
 - D. MISC Workshop on 7/25/03 from 9am-3pm
2. Budget/Funding/Reports Status
 - A. MISC/MoMISC Funding Updates (Teya Penniman)
 - *Ask BIISC and OISC for \$5,000 each to support MoMISC (Teya)*
 - *Allocate \$22,000 from MISC's Budget to MoMISC*
 - B. Federal Funding Update (Steve Anderson)
 - *Prepare a proposal for NPS Challenge Cost-Share Initiative (Steve) - DONE*
3. PR/Education Status Report (Mele Fong)
 - *Review final PSA text for A&B radio spot (Lloyd) - DONE*
 - *Malama i ka Aina Award*
 - *Complete development of the award program for landscape professionals (Mele)*
 - *Put together a list of 10 example of "plants of concern" to include with the award (Mele)*
 - *Get County endorsement of the award - DONE*
4. MoMISC Update (Tina Lau; TNCH-Moloka`i)
 - *Look into putting a MoMISC proposal together for NFWF funding, due Nov 6 (Tina, Teya, Eliz)*
5. LaMISC Update
 - *See if the Watershed Coordinator on Lanai (Darryl Stokes) can assist with fountain grass control (Randy)*
6. Facilities
7. Field Work: Plant Control Updates
 - *Look into purchasing two "XM" GPS Units (Mike W)*
 - A. Miconia
 - *Attend Koolau hunter volunteer group meetings and talk to them about miconia (Mele)*
 - *See if the Hunter Education program (Alex has contact information) is willing to include information on miconia in the course (Mele)*
 - *Get together with Sierra Club to set up another miconia service trip (Teya to contact Lucienne)*
 - *Compile a list of East Maui residents who have concerns re aerial spraying and contact them (Jeremy)*
 - *Switch the Hana operation over to using a thin-line basal application technique (Jeremy)*
 - *Try using the water soluble packets of blue dye to make a super concentrate for helicopter spray operations (Jeremy)*
 - *Assist Pat with getting landowner access for the outlying populations in the west, talk to Bob Yonahara (Mele)*
 - *Check with the new Kipahulu Unit Manager, Eric Andersen, to see if the park staff can help with miconia public relations (Jeremy)*
 - *Contact Fern regarding addressing endangered birds in the miconia EA (Jeremy)*
 - *Clean up the methods section of the EA (Jeremy)*
 - *Clarify non-NPS organization roles in the EA (each entity to provide input, Jeremy to consolidate)*

- *Get a copy of TNC ground sweep protocols to use as a guideline (Pat) - **DONE***
 - *Develop a list of rain-out and light duty activities for crews in Hana (Jeremy & Kerri)*
 - *Get a copy of any reports resulting from the \$28,000 in county funding that MISC contributed to bio-control research in Brazil (Elizabeth)*
 - *Enforce data transfer protocols between Hana/MISC and continue training on GPS/data (Mike W)*
- B. Pampas Grass
- *Follow-up on local stores, web-sites, etc. selling pampas grass seeds (Mele)*
 - *Find a way to get rid of the pampas grass in the Quonset hut at NifTAL (Erik)*
 - *Track down the reference on the seloana problem in California (Lloyd)*
 - *Evaluate the need for a pampas news article focusing on the seloana issue (Mele)*
 - *Schedule the EMWP crew to assist with pampas grass (Erik & Alex)*
- C. Fountain Grass
- D. Ivy Gourd
- E. Giant Spanish Reed
- F. Mullien
- *Finish developing educational materials on mullien (Mele)*
 - *Control Kula mullien population (Jeremy)*

8. Vertebrates

- *Add MISC's 2115 number and Teya's cell phone number to the MPD call list, call 244-6400 (Teya) - **DONE***
 - *Schedule the next Vertebrate Subcommittee Meeting on the same day as the regular MISC meeting in hopes of getting better attendance – **DONE, Scheduled for 8/29/03, 1-4 PM***
 - *Schedule basic training for MISC office and field staff in vertebrate identification, questions to ask, etc. (Fern)*
 - *Develop a list of websites for target species identification for public inquiries (Elizabeth)*
 - *Draft an MOU for vertebrate operations to define roles and authorities (Teya & Erik)*
 - *Compile a review summary of the different agency's roles, what legislation exists, what the punishments are, etc. for vertebrate issues (Teya)*
 - *Get the word out that the vertebrate position posting has been extended to April 25 – **DONE, pending RCUH approval, estimated start date = 7/28/03***
 - *Obtain vertebrate reference books for MISC*
- A. Conures
- *Develop a conure proposal for eradicable species funding - **DONE***
 - *Talk to Delkab and Monsanto about conures (Fern)*
 - *Compile a data synopsis (Fern & Erik)*
 - *Attempt to get access/landowner permission for the cliff area (Mele) – **DONE, negative response***
 - *Schedule helicopter flight with Bill Evanson/infrared (Fern & Erik) - **DONE***
 - *Get Alex to put the location of the birds he saw from the air on a map (Erik)*
 - *Get details on the May parrot meeting from Mindy (Teya) – **DONE, rec'd minutes***
 - *Explore the possibility of EMWP or park staff that have firearms in their PDs doing control (Erik)*
 - *Decide whether we want to be an IACUC "test case" (Teya)*
 - *Check into "Starlicide" (Steve) – **DONE, won't work per Fred***
- B. Other Parrots/Birds
- *Catch the conure on Molokai (Tina)*
 - *Get video footage of the macaws and amazons in Huelo (Russ)*
 - *Contact the landowner where the last two Mollucan cockatoos were seen and schedule a survey in Wailuku Heights (Fern)*
 - *Follow-up on the one-legged cockatoo reported by Anna Palomino (575-5099) (Erik)*
 - *Bring the Molokai bulbul issue to HDOA attention*
- C. Snakes
- *Get a copy of the "Top Five Snake Questions" for the MISC office (Fern)*
 - *Schedule snake training on Maui in May or after*
 - *Send a letter to Domingo re the protocol for snake dog training for Sam Akoi IV's dog (Teya & Erik)*

D. Geckos

- *Get pictures of the day geckos in Maui Meadows for identification (Erik) – **DONE***
- *Send out gecko flyers (Mele)*

E. Chameleons

- *Develop a veiled chameleon proposal for eradicable species funding - **Deleted***
- *Summarize data from field efforts and calculate total area (Erik)*
- *Schedule follow-up on non-core reports – Piiholo (Erik & Fern)*
- *Send out flyers to Burns Road residents (Mele)*
- *Schedule a day-time chameleon search at the West Maui site (Erik & Fern)*
- *Decide on a revisit timeline for the chameleon core (Vert Subcommittee)*
- *Coordinate with Hale NP to get chameleon information included in park school programs (Mele)*

F. Frogs

- *Meet with Rob Parsons at the County nursery (Erik & Fern) - **DONE***
- *Develop an education campaign for hotels, nurseries, and homeowners regarding what they can do and meet with homeowners associations (Mele)*
- *Add “what you can do” information to the Malama i ka Aina award mail-out (Mele)*
- *Check on the status of USDA coqui funding (Teya) – **DONE, not happening***
- *Buy some citric acid (Elizabeth)*
- *Set up a test citric acid spray, find a location (Mele contact for permission) – **Howard’s said No***
- *Identify equipment needs/sources for a test spray (Erik)*
- *Verify previous reports and clean up data (Erik)*

G. BIG CAT

9. New Business

A. Agency Roles re: Invasive Species?

B. Mission/Vision/Values?

- *Consolidate comments on the draft concept for MISC’s mission, vision, and values (Teya)*

C. Creation of Nonprofit?

- *Evaluate the idea of MISC forming a non-profit, check into the UH Foundation (Teya)*

10. Next Regular Meeting Date/Time: Friday, 8/29/03, 9am-12noon

11. Hana Pau...Mahalo nou kokua kakou, me ke aloha a hui hou...