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Materials for this agenda and minutes of this meeting will be available at specific links indicated below or at: <u>https://planning.hawaii.gov/erp/ec-meetings/</u>

- 1. Call to order, Roll Call, Introductions, Quorum
 - Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) Interim Director's Update
 - Wildfire Emergency Proclamations
 - Review and adoption of meeting minutes
 - January 2024 meeting minutes <u>https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/erp/EC_Meetings/2024-01-09-Environmental-</u> <u>Advisory-Council-Minutes-draft.pdf</u>
- 4. Exemption Committee Update
 - Committee update to EAC regarding review of Department of Hawaiian Homelands Exemption List <u>Redline strikeout version</u> shows changes from 2021 list <u>clean version</u> shows all edits accepted
- 5. Report of the Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) on exemptions to the EAC
 - Presentation of findings and recommendations <u>https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/erp/EC_Meetings/2024-02-06-EAC-PIG-report-to-EAC-re-exemptions.pdf</u>
- 6. Information & Outreach (I&O) Committee Update
 - Discussion of and planning for future forums
- 7. Discussion of and action to approve creation of Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to discuss and determine how the EAC can fulfill its role in advising OPSD on key environmental issues, such as, but not limited to, those listed below, including discussion of creating a consultation process between the EAC and OPSD:
 - Cesspools: an issue of expected focus for the upcoming legislative session
 - Green Fee: an issue of expected focus for the upcoming legislative session
 - Department of Environment: creation of a Department of Environment is expected to be raised in the upcoming legislative session
 - Emergency Proclamations Environmental Permitting

- OPSD re Housing: OPSD has asked the EAC for its input on housing-related issues, rapid environmental assessments, etc.
- 8. Legislative Committee
 - Discussion of Selected 2024 Legislative Bills
 - HB 1702 (adds provision to HRS Chapter 343 regarding exemption for certain affordable housing projects) <u>https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=</u> <u>HB&billnumber=1702&year=2024</u>
 - SB 2002 (Exempts certain housing projects reserved for certain students, faculty, and staff of public educational institutions from environmental assessment requirement) <u>https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=</u> <u>SB&billnumber=2002&year=2024</u>
- 9. Next meeting: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 TBD
- 10. Reminder: Send all ERP correspondence to <u>dbedt.opsd.erp@hawaii.gov</u>
- 11. Adjournment

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