Carbon Farming Task Force

Inaugural Meeting Agenda
Friday, September 15, 2017
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM (Noon)
Office of Planning, 6th Floor Conference Room
235 S. Beretania Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

I. Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

II. Welcoming Remarks

III. Remarks by Rep. Chris Lee, Chair of House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

IV. Round Robin Introduction of Task Force Members and OP Staff for the Task Force

V. Overview of Act 033, SLH 2017 (HB 1578, CD 1), which gave rise to the Carbon Farming Task Force

VI. Discussion of Current Status of Carbon Sequestration in Agriculture, Aquaculture and Agroforestry in Hawaii and Goals of Task Force

   A. Briefing by CTAHR Researcher regarding current science of carbon sequestration in agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry.

   B. Report from the Task Force Members as to the status of carbon sequestration through agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry in Hawaii.

      1. What is the status in Hawaii of carbon sequestration through agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry?
      2. What incentives are in place in Hawaii to promote carbon sequestration through agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry?
      3. What are the barriers to promoting carbon sequestration through agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry?
      4. What more could be done to promote carbon sequestration through agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry?
      5. What more is needed to promote carbon sequestration through agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry?
C. Discussion by Members of Task Force goals, given current status of carbon sequestration in agriculture, aquaculture and agroforestry and mandates of Act 033, SLR 2017.

VII. Public Comments on Agenda Items Discussed Above

VIII. Next Steps

A. Memorialization of action items to be accomplished, arising from the Inaugural Task Force Meeting, and persons responsible for carrying out the action items prior to the next Task Force meeting.

B. Determination of Frequency of Meetings.
   1. How often should the Task Force meet?
   2. Should the Task Force consider meetings on Neighbor Islands?

C. Center for Island Climate Adaptation and Policy at the University of Hawaii Manoa (ICAP)
   1. Seeking Task Force’s action as to ICAP’s membership status

D. Determination as to whether Additional Task Force Members or Substitute / Alternate Task Force Members Should Be Permitted

IX. Announcements:
   1. Task Force Website
   2. Next Meeting Date and Time (Note: This May Be Determined Above by Section VIII. B.1.)

X. Adjournment

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