East Kauai
Soil & Water Conservation District

Chair: Ed Kawamura Jr.
Directors:
Treasurer: Arryl Kaneshiro
Eric Hansen
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Craig Duff

MONDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2026
2:00 PM
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: CONFERENCE ROOM

AGENDA FOR MONTHLY EAST KAUAI SWCD MEETING

Topic: East Kauai SWCD's November Meeting ***(note: physical location is at Department of Health Conference Room: 3040 Umi St. Lihue)***
Time: Nov 9, 2026 02:00 PM Hawaii
Join Zoom Meeting
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I. CALL TO ORDER, QUORUM
Attendance
II. REVIEW OF AGENDA
III. REVIEW/ACCEPT MINUTES
IV. TREASURER'S REPORT: 11/9/2026
V. CORRESPONDENCE
- Comments on General Information and Flyers for upcoming events from emails

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. **NRCS Reports – District Conservationist – Jenna Dunn**
- General – NRCS Staffing
- Farm Bill Programs – EQIP, CSP, AMA, RCPP
- Other –NRCS events and news

B. **Conservation Specialist Report –Brian Kwak & Johnathan Kelly**
- Trainings/meetings/Learning
- Plans/Field Visits/Special Projects
- Outreach
- Misc./News/Upcoming Events/Future Projects/Goals

C. **District Assistant Report – Ka'aukai Schrader**
- Updates/goals
- Other

D. **District Operations Updates– Jenni Scotti**
- Capacity Building
- Meetings
- General Updates/Upcoming

E. **SWCD Vice Chair & Secretary**
- Discuss positions
- Nominate and vote into positions if needed

F. **Conservation Awareness Contest**
- Results

- State contest

G. **Combined Meeting Discussion**
   - Annual biannual meeting usually in December

VII. REVIEW NEW COOPERATOR AGREEMENTS & CONSERVATION PLANS

A. New Kauai Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Cooperators
B. Conservation Plan Presentation and Approval
   - New Plan – Malama Huleia

VIII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Garden Island RC&D
   - Updates from committees

B. Grading Ordinance
   - Updates from the County

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. **Hurricane Lowell Recovery Updates**
   - Updates regarding EWP
   - Vote if needed on action items identified by action subcommittee

B. **2026 Water Conservationist of the Year**
   - Vote on nominations

C. **Strategic Planning Special Committee Updates**
D. **Kauai SWCDs 75 Years updates**
E. **FY 2027 Annual Work Plan**
   - Review and Discuss annual work plan for the 2027 fiscal year

F. **NRCS MOU**
   - Updates

G. **County of Kauai SWCD discussion**
   - Meetings to be set up with Council Members

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. **Poster Contest**
   - Vote

B. **NACD Annual Conference** February 6-10, 2026
C. **Office Space Update**
D. **Grants & Funding**
   - NACD Feral Swine Fencing Grant
   - NACD Technical Assistance Grant
   - COK Grant
   - NACD Laulima Agreement
   - Other grants and funding opportunities

E. **Employee Management Director**
   - Updates –Craig

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

A. Annual Dinner 12/5/2026
B. Water Conservationist of the Year Presentation – Dec TBD
C. Other upcoming events and announcements

Executive Session – *Board members may enter into Executive Session pursuant to HRS Section 92-5(a)(3), to discuss agreement for any sensitive topics around negotiation of labor and resources & HRS Section 92-5(a)(2) to discuss personnel.* **Once discussion is complete, return to public meeting for public discussion or votes if necessary**

XII. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: December 14th 2pm Department of Health Conference Room. ***See online schedule for location and date information:*** https://calendar.ehawaii.gov/calendar/

Committee/Subcommittee/Appointees: **Kaua'i Legislative Committee Appointees:** East Kauai - Ed & Arryl, West Kauai - Howard & Adam. **HACD Legislative Committee Appointee:** Umi. **NACD Feral Swine Fencing Grant subcommittee:** Ed, Eric, Umi, Howard. **NACD Technical Assistance Grant subcommittee:** Arryl, Ed, Craig, Umi, Howard**. Kauai 75 Years Planning Committee:** Ed, Emilie, Nikki, Adam, **West Watershed Management & REPI projects Subcommittee:** Charmaine, Ed, Howard, Darren (when can), Arryl (maybe). **Hurricane Lowell Recovery Subcommittee:** East Ed, Emilie (Arryl alternate or financial), West Howard, Adam/Umi (alternate between the two as available), Sharmaine (as needed). **Strategic Planning Special Committee**: Umi, David, Arryl, Ed, Emilie (assist when/where can)

Written Testimony *can be submitted by interested persons in advance of each meeting that will be distributed to Board Members prior to the meeting. We request written testimony be submitted no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting to ensure time for Board Members to review it. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the record, but we cannot ensure Board Members will receive it with sufficient time for review prior to decision-making. Submit written testimony to ewkswcd@gmail.com*

Live oral/video testimony *during the online meeting, email your request to ewkswcd@gmail.com We request written testimony be submitted no later than 24 hours in advance to allow time for board members to review. Please include your name, phone number, email address, and the agenda item on which you would like to testify. Once your request has been received, you will receive a confirmation email from East Kauai SWCD. You will need a computer with internet access, video camera and microphone to participate. If you wish to give oral testimony by phone only, please indicate that in your email request. Testimony will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per person per agenda item.*

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