

DA: 3.11.2024

TO: ADC Board of Directors & AG's Office

FR: Wendy Gady, Executive Director, ADC

RE: Weekly Report for week of 3/11/24 - 3/15/2024

### **End of Week Debrief**

- Bills that passed First Decking/Crossing over to the House:
  - SB2291- Advisory Boards for Workforce Development
  - HB1815- Adding agritourism in the definition of "enterprise" of ADC
  - SB2500- FPINs on Oahu, Molokai & Hawaii Island amended to include Maui & Kauai & 2 committee hearings remain (CPC & FIN)
  - SB2814- ADC working with HDOA statewide on a water infrastructure study
  - HB2263/SB2951 ADC to manage East Kauai Irrigation System (SB going to FIN, HB Hearing 1/18)
- Impact of HB1800:
  - IN:
    - \$2.5M: Kekaha Bridge, Kauai
    - \$1M: Christian Crossing Bridge
    - FTE: Kauai Property Manager- full year
    - FTE: Kauai Water Manager- full year
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  - OUT:
    - \$9.5M: Statewide Food and Product Innovation Centers
    - \$6.47M: Mauka irrigation on West Kauai for lands in process for leasing
    - \$4.5M Water Irrigation Infrastructure
    - \$500k: Cleanup a parcel on Oahu for tenants to lease
    - \$4M: Oahu Slaughterhouse
- FYI \$141,904.77 was transferred to for ceded lands in FY24
- 4/2: HPP Machine & Building Project Due- anticipated Contract Date 6/1/24
- 4/26: Wells 24 & 26 Repair Bids Due- funds need encumbered by 6/30/24.
- 3/30/24: Starting Land Use Planning with awarded contractor.
- Ongoing: Working with UHDCDC on state mapping for strategic planning
- MOU with LCC still in LCC Legal
- Actively reviewing Contract Administrator candidates
- Met with HATCH, HDOA Aquaculture Strategic Planning Review & Climate Resilient Aquaculture Innovation Megahub/Deloitte
- Met with Mary Alice Evans to discuss Strategic Plan milestones & upcoming BOD meeting.
- Mark Takemoto attended the East meets West Bluestartup conference

### **Events/Conferences**

- Total EOIs Received: Oahu: 50 (65 acres remain); Kauai: 46 (3,036 acres); Big Island: 7, Maui: 1 (Note: no Big Island or Maui acres in portfolio at present).

- Hawaii Investment Ready Cohort 6 Dates:
  - April 10-14, 2024
  - May 8-12, 2024
  - September 11-15, 2024
  - October 16-19, 2024 (Final Pitches)
- 7/1: Hawaii Statewide Farm Fair

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- 3/18/24: Land Applications open with 30-day window
- 3/18/24: Virtual meeting with Kauai Mayor Kawakami (Meet & Greet)
- 3/20/24: KEDB Ag Subcommittee
- 3/21/24: ADC BOD Meeting
- Ongoing: Tracking bills for hearings after the crossover
- Respond to Senators, Representatives regarding Bills, Questions and Testimony
- 12/20/25: New Strategic Plan

#### **Legislative Update:**

- Senate: **GOAL MET** Emailed 100% of Senate met f2f in office or at a site visit/meeting (FYI there are 8 freshman Senators going into this session)
- House: Emailed 100% of House & **only 2 remaining** to meet f2f (FYI there are 20 freshman Reps going into this session)

#### **Strategic Planning:**

- Board Member Okuhama turned in our HIR homework Strategic Review
- Creating Framework, Goals, Plan of Action, Benchmarks, & Deliverables to double Hawaii's local food production by 2030 and grow Hawaii's ag exports.
- Creating Strategic Next Steps based on budget cuts.
- Board Member Tabata is attending and providing information on how ADC can support the Kauai Water Convening who is currently gathering information regarding the water systems.
- Actively participating in the Hawaii Drought Council meetings hosed by Chair Chang & Chair Hurd
- Collecting strategic information for the Kauai Water System, Location for Oahu Slaughterhouse, EOI follow up discussions.

**Portfolio:** Please see attached list of ADC Major Projects