I. Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

II. Welcoming Remarks

III. Introduction of Task Force Members and Alternates

IV. Review and Approval of the September 15, 2017 Meeting Minutes

V. Public Comments

VI. Hawaii Greenhouse Gas Emissions Update for Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Uses Sector

VII. Report on Major Established Carbon Registries and Practicalities of Measuring Carbon Sequestration Values

VIII. Formation of Working Groups:

   A. Economics – to develop incentives and funding mechanisms for incentives, e.g., loans, tax credits, grants, research, technical assistance, educational materials, outreach, etc. for carbon markets.

   B. Science – to measure baseline levels and increases in carbon sequestration, improvements in soil health, and other key indicators of greenhouse gas benefits for participation in carbon markets.

   C. Legal / Policy – to identify and recommend measures to the Legislature and Governor to increase climate resiliency and improve carbon sequestration, build healthy soils, and provide greenhouse gas benefits to participate in carbon markets.

   D. Public Outreach – to agricultural, aquacultural and agroforestry and forestry communities to provide education and technical support and business communities to gauge interest in participating in carbon markets.
IX. Announcements:

A. North American Carbon World Conference April 4-6, 2018 in San Francisco
B. Task Force Website and Various Reports Pertinent to the Task Force
C. Next Meeting Date and Time

X. Adjournment

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