AGENDA

I. Call to order, public notice, quorum

II. Review and approval of August 18, 2021 meeting minutes

III. Presentations

A. Presentation by Task Force Member David Forman reporting on his attendance at, and any relevant findings from, the 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference: 26th Conference of the Parties (COP26) in Glasgow, UK.

B. Presentation by Nicole Galase representing the Hawai‘i Cattlemen’s Council on the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association’s initiative for carbon neutrality by 2040, and the role of ranching in promoting greenhouse gas sequestration, greenhouse gas emissions mitigation, healthy soils, and climate resiliency.

In support of HRS §225P-4(a)(3): “Identify land and marine use policies, agricultural policies, agroforestry policies, and mitigation options that would encourage agricultural and aquacultural practices and land use practices that would promote increased greenhouse gas sequestration, build healthy soils, and provide greenhouse gas benefits.”

C. Presentation by Todd Low representing the Aquaculture Development Program in the Hawai‘i Department of Agriculture to discuss opportunities within aquaculture for greenhouse gas sequestration, and to provide recommendations to promote sustainable aquaculture statewide.

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IV. 2023 Greenhouse Gas Sequestration Task Force Preliminary Report to the State Legislature

A. Discussion of Task Force members’ recommendations on marine use policies and aquacultural practices to sequester greenhouse gases and promote other greenhouse gas benefits, and potential incorporation of these recommendations into the preliminary report.

B. Office of Planning & Sustainable Development operating budget adjustment request to add staffing for the Fiscal Year 2023 Supplemental Budget to support the Statewide Sustainability Program to assist the Greenhouse Gas Sequestration Task Force as well as the State of Hawai‘i on statewide sustainability and climate resilience planning, coordination, and implementation in support of HRS § 225M-8.

V. Announcements

A. Meeting schedule for 2022
   1. Next GHGSTF meeting: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 1:30pm (location TBD)
   2. Tentative 2022 GHGSTF meeting schedule (locations TBD):
      - January 12, 2022 at 1:30 pm
      - March 16, 2022 at 1:30 pm;
      - May 18, 2022 at 1:30 pm;
      - July 20, 2022 at 1:30 pm;
      - September 21, 2022 at 1:30 pm;
      - November 16, 2022 at 1:30 pm

VI. Adjournment

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