# Executive Director's Report

Kahoʻolawe Island Reserve Commission Meeting February 24, 2022

### **Budget, Finance, and Funding**

FY22 Expenditure Report and Budget Variance: None.

### Plans, Policies and Procedures

**Long-range Scheduling:** See the attached long-range schedule.

### Administration, Staffing and Personnel

**Commissioner Status Update:** None

**KIRC Staff Status Update**: US Fish and Wildlife's national Coastal Wetland Conservation (CWC) Grant includes two-years funding for an Ocean Resource Specialist II position. Staff is planning to include funding for this new position in the next fiscal year's budget but will be starting the recruitment and hiring process now.

### **Capital Improvement, Reserve Operations and Logistics**

**Update on COVID Procedures**: Working with the Base Camp Manager and after reviewing the latest CDC guidelines about berthing accommodations, staff has been able to revise our COVID sanitation policy regarding the on-island berthing facilities. The current guidance does not require sanitation of the beds, or a seven-day wait period between usage so we will be using both berthing huts during all on-island accesses. Previously, we would leave a hut vacant for a month before reuse. The guidelines state that changing the linen and airing out the facilities are sufficient to reuse the beds. Staff will still be maintaining the bed separation in each of the huts and thereby still limit the numbers accommodated in each hut. With this new COVID guidance staff can house five people in Hut 10 and eight people in Hut 11 during all accesses.

#### **Government Relations**

**Meeting with Representative Ryan Yamane**: ED Nāho'opi'i spoke with Representative Yamane before the holiday break to request he introduce a KIRC funding bill. Working with his staff, he introduced HB1577 which includes \$500,000 in general funds for KIRC operations and request an additional two support workers for field operations.

Meeting with Senator Mike Gabbard: Senator Gabbard had made an announcement to DLNR asking if the department had any bills it wished to introduce outside of the Administration's legislative package. ED Nāho'opi'i responded to this request and ask if he would submit a companion bill to Representative Yamane's KIRC funding bill. Senator Gabbard introduced SB3013 as a senate companion to HB1577.

**Meeting with Representative David Tarnas**: Meet with Representative Tarnas on a Zoom call to brief him on the HB1577 KIRC funding bill and how important it is to the KIRC's financial future. He was fully supportive of the measure and stated that he will be moving the bill forward and request the House Finance Committee fully fund the bill.

### STATE FUNDED PROJECTS

#### **IN PROGRESS:**

Project: Hakioawa Watershed DOH 5 - Operations and Maintenance

Funder: Hawai'i State Department of Health Term: 3/29/2021 - 5/28/2022 (\$80,665.12)

Notes: Start date was pushed to FY22; new hire is working out well

#### **UNDER REVIEW:**

**Project**: Reducing Excessive Sedimentation and Habitat Restoration in

the Kamōhio Watershed of Kahoʻolawe Funder: Hawai'i State Department of Health

Term: 3 years

Notes: Submitted management plan to DOH for review and approval



### **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

#### **SUBMITTED / UNDER REVIEW:**

Project: Wildfire Fuel Management On Kaho'olawe

Funder: DOI Fuels Management and Community Fire Assistance

**Program** 

**Term:** January 2022 - June 2024 (\$855,233) Notes: Submitted 9/10/2021; awaiting notice

Project: Coastal Wetland Enhancement in Honokanai'a on Kaho'olawe

Funder: NAWCA U.S. Small Grants **Term:** July 2022 - June 2024 (\$99,300)

**Notes:** Withdrawn from review on 2/1/2022; project area was the same as defined in the larger USFWS National Coastal Wetland Grant Program award which supersedes the NAWCA U.S. Small Grants

### **NOT AWARDED:**

**Project**: Supporting KIRC Maui Operations Funder: NEA Rescue Plan Funding

Term: January 2022 - December 2022 (\$150,000)

Notes: Award notification is expected in Dec 2021 / Early 2022

Project: Sharing the Story of Kaho'olawe's Past, Present and Future

Funder: HTA Kūkulu Ola Program

**Term:** January 2023 - December 2023 (\$35,000)

Notes: Submitted 10/30/2021

Note: The KIRC applies for grants as either a 170(c)1 nonprofit government entity, (authorized to receive tax-deductible contributions to programs that exclusively serve a pbulic purpose), or via 501(c)3 fiscal sponsor Tri-Isle or Pacific American Foundation.



### **GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS**

#### **IN PROGRESS:**

Project: KIRC Virtual Museum Stage 3

Funder: IMLS, Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services

Term: 8/1/2018 - 7/31/2022 (\$75,000)

Notes: Awarded to rehouse Navy collection and expand Living Library

Project: Marine Debris Removal from Kanapou on Kaho'olawe Funder: NOAA / NFWF / Fishing for Energy 2019 Initiative

Term: 10/1/2019 - 12/30/2022 (\$76,025) Notes: Just completed first on island clean-up

Project: Coastal and Upland Wetland Restoration on Kahoolawe, HI

Funder: NAWCA U.S. Small Grants **Term:** July 2021 - August 2023 (\$100,000)

**Notes:** Work has begun in project areas to meet grant objectives

Project: KIRC Live-Stream and VR Expedition Project

Funder: IMLS, Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services

Term: August 2021 - July 2023 (\$98,405)

Notes: Need to begin to bill Comms contract to the grant

**Project**: Enhancing Wetland Soils Using Biochar

Funder: Pacific Birds Joint Venture Term: August 2021 - July 2023 (\$10,000) Notes: Biochar plots have been installed

Project: Coastal Wetland Enhancement in Honokanai'a

Funder: USFWS National Coastal Wetlands Restoration Program

**Term:** January 2022 - December 2024 (~\$355,531)

Notes: Received award letter; will receive NTP after completing Sec

106 and 68-E compliance

Project: Spreading Aloha 'Āina through Community Engagement

Funder: HTA Aloha 'Āina Program

Term: January 2023 - December 2023 (\$40,000)

**Notes:** Funded at half the request

**Project:** Marine Science Education and Training from a Hawaiian Perspective on Kaho'olawe: A Pilot Program for Maui Youth

Funder: NOAA PIRO MET Mini-Grant Program **Term:** March 2019 - August 2021 (\$15,000) **Notes:** Awaiting reimbursement of funds

## KIRC Calendar FY 2022

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	31-Jan	6-Feb			0.55(1)							DARK
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	28-Mar	3-Apr							Hakioawa (Th-Su)		Paul	DARK
							April 2022					
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	11-Apr	17-Apr 24-Apr	Good Friday, Fri Apr 15	Base Camp Extract (F)		Ohua Repairs	Musician (10) M-Th				Jamie	DARK
	18-Apr 25-Apr	1-May				Ohua Repairs						DARK
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	2-May	8-May				Ohua Repairs						DARK
	9-May	15-May				Ohua Repairs						DARK
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	July 2022											•
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	11-Jul	17-Jul		Base Camp Mob (W)	Staff (2)		Salior's Hat (10) F-M		Hakioawa (Th-Su)			
	18-Jul	24-Jul		Base Camp Extract (F)			Nalu Studies (10) M-F					
	25-Jul	31-Jul					August 2022					DARK
	1-Aug	7-Aug					August 2022					DARK
	8-Aug	14-Aug		Base Camp Mob (W)	Staff (2)		Kula Kamali`i o Hanaiaulu (10) F-M		Hakioawa (Th-Su)			D/ ti ti t
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-	2-Jan		MLK Day, Mon Jan 16	Base Camp Mob (W) Base Camp Extract (F)					Hakioawa (Th-Su)			