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Testimony of  
SUZANNE D. CASE  
Chairperson

Before the House Committees on  
ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
and  
AGRICULTURE

Tuesday, February 7, 2017  
9:00 AM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of  
HOUSE BILL 481  
RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES

House Bill 481 proposes to require the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to establish a pilot pesticide treatment coupon project and little fire ant site map for the County of Hawaii. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this initiative, as long as it does not replace our priorities requested in the Executive Budget.**

The Department is the administrative host of the Hawaii Invasive Species Council, which in Fiscal Year 2017 funded a similar project with the County of Hawaii. The Department notes that the Program described by this measure would provide homeowner assistance in temporarily decreasing the presence of ants on private land, but that it is not a long-term control or eradication strategy. The Department supports this measure, provided that its passage does not impact long-term control and eradication projects managed by DOA or the Hawaii Ant Lab (a project of the University of Hawaii).

The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments.



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## Legislative Testimony

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Written Testimony Presented Before the  
House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection  
And

House Committee on Agriculture  
Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

By

Rachel Novotny, Interim Dean

And

J. Kenneth Grace, Associate Dean  
College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources  
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

### HB 481 – RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES

Chairs Lee and Creagan, Vice Chairs Lowen and DeCoite, and members of the House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection and House Committee on Agriculture:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on HB 481, which asks the Department of Agriculture to establish a pilot pesticide treatment coupon project and a little fire ant site map for the county of Hawai'i, requires a report to the Legislature on project implementation, and appropriates funds for these purposes.

With training on pesticide safety and effective control techniques, involvement of the public in efforts to control invasive species, given the limited resources available to government agencies, is a potentially useful approach, and the pilot project could create a model for management of other persistent invasive species in the state.

We defer to the Department of Agriculture on fiscal and management implications of HB 481, but we support the intent of the bill to involve the public in efforts to control invasive pests. We suggest that appropriate funding and resources for public education in safe and effective pest control techniques be included in the pilot project.

DAVID Y. IGE  
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Lt. Governor



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**TESTIMONY OF SCOTT E. ENRIGHT  
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**BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEES ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION & AGRICULTURE**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2017  
9:00 A.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 325**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 481  
RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES**

Chairpersons Lee and Creagan and Members of the Committees:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 481. This bill mandates the Department of Agriculture to establish a little fire ant (LFA) Pesticide Treatment Coupon Pilot Project and site map, and requires a report to be submitted to the Legislature prior to the 2018 Regular Session. The Department offers comments on this measure.

The Department understands the harmful and invasive nature of LFA. As such, the Department has provided support to Hawaii County for a pilot program to combat LFA beginning with Hawaii County parks. The Department has also continually provided funding and support for the Hawaii Ant Lab, an organization that has been on the forefront in the fight against LFA and has created new and innovative methods to treat and eradicate LFA infestations. Furthermore, it is our understanding that the Hawaii Ant Lab is currently working on a map of known LFA infestations throughout the Big Island and further resources for the Hawaii Ant Lab could help them to finish this project and disseminate that information. The Hawaii County also has a similar voucher program to assist homeowners with education and access to affordable treatments.

The Department would like to note that the measure highlights the Department's "little fire ant program," when in fact no such formal program exists. The Department maintains duties and responsibilities within its Plant Industry Division to address pests such as the Little Fire Ant.

In regards to the coupon pilot project, the Department is concerned about the resources that would be required to monitor such a program. It would be very difficult



for the Department, with its given resources, to verify and monitor if the pesticides were being used for the purpose of controlling LFA or for other purposes. Additional resources would be needed to carry out the scope identified in this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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The Honorable Chris Lee, Chair  
And members of the Committee on  
Energy and Environmental Protection

The Honorable Richard P. Creagan, Chair  
And members of the Committee on Agriculture

February 3, 2017

Dear Chair Lee, Chair Creagan, and honorable members of the Joint Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of House Bill 481. As you are well aware by now, Hawai'i Island residents are dealing with infestations of the Little Fire Ant in their homes. The magnitude of the infestation and the investment needed to address the problem exceeds the resources of most homeowners and of the County government.

Therefore, this pilot pesticide treatment coupon project is a welcome effort that will slow the spread of this disastrous invasive species. We also welcome any assistance from the State to continue funding for the treatment of Little Fire Ant infestations in Parks and Recreation facilities across Hawaii County.

Aloha Piha,



Sue Lee Loy  
Council Member, District 3



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February 7, 2017

HEARING BEFORE THE  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

**TESTIMONY ON HB 481**  
RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES

Room 325  
9:00 AM

Aloha Chairs Lee and Creagan, Vice Chairs Lowen and DeCoite, and Members of the Committees:

I am Randy Cabral, President of the Hawaii Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,900 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interests of our diverse agricultural community.

**Hawaii Farm Bureau supports HB 481**, which requires the Department of Agriculture to establish a pilot pesticide treatment coupon project and a little fire ant site map for the county of Hawaii. It also requires report to the Legislature on project implementation.

HFB recognizes the harm that the little fire ant has caused to farms, businesses, and the quality of life of those affected by the pest. We agree that immediate measures must be undertaken to stop its spread to other areas.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



**Conservation Council  
for Hawai'i**

*Hawai'i's voice for wildlife*

*Kō Hawai'i leo no nā holoholona lōhiu*



Testimony Submitted to the House Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection  
And House Committee on Agriculture  
By the Conservation Council for Hawai'i  
Hearing: Wednesday, February 7, 2017 9 am  
Room 325

### Support for HB 481 Relating to Invasive Species

Chair Lee and Chair Creagan, Vice Chair Lowen and Vice Chair DeCoite, and Members of the Committee,

Aloha. The Conservation Council for Hawai'i supports HB 481, which requires the Department of Agriculture to establish a pilot pesticide treatment coupon project and a little fire ant site map for the county of Hawaii. Requires report to the Legislature on project implementation, and appropriates funds.

This dangerous pest harms humans, and babies are especially vulnerable. The ants also sting and can blind pet dogs and cats. Please consider increasing the proposed allocation of \$360,000 in fiscal year 2017-2018 to support programs to prevent the little fire ant from spreading.

- Little fire ant infestations are widespread throughout the windward side of Hawai'i Island, including in Hilo, the Puna district, and along the Hamakua Coast, and in and around nurseries and properties that purchased plants from infested nurseries. Smaller infestations have been found in the Kailua Kona area.
- On Kaua'i, one infestation is known in the Kalihiwai area.
- On O'ahu, it was first detected in December 2013 in a shipment of hapu'u (tree fern) logs from Hawai'i Island. Numerous additional infestations have been found.
- On Maui, it was first found in Waihe'e in 2009, then in Nahiku in 2014, and in Huelo and Hana in 2015.
- It is not known to be present at this time on Moloka'i, Lana'i, or Kaho'olawe. Let's keep it that way.

Please protect us from the little fire ant and pass HB 481. Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify.

*Marjorie Ziegler*

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
BENNETTE MISALUCHA	Hawaii Crop Improvement Association	Support	No

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**HB481**

Tuesday February 7, 2017 9:00 a.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 325

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES

Representative Chris Lee, Chair  
Representative Nicole Lowen, Vice Chair  
Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection

Representative Richard Creagan, Chair  
Representative Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair  
Committee on Agriculture

**Submitted on Behalf of the Democratic Party of Hawaii**

The Democratic Party of Hawaii supports HB481 “Relating to Invasive Species” which requires the Department of Agriculture to establish a pilot pesticide treatment coupon program to address the devastating harm being caused by little red fire ants on the Island of Hawaii. HB481 would also require map infestations of the little red fire ant. **Passage of HB481 is consistent with the DPH’s Environmental Wellbeing legislative priority for the 2017 Legislative Session to support legislation to address invasive species issues, and particularly with regard to the little red fire ant - which ranks as one of the world’s worst invasive species.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair of the Democratic Party of Hawai‘i  
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Simon Russell	Hawaii Farmers Union United	Support	No

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February 7, 2017

Testimony To: House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection  
Representative Chris Lee, Chair

House Committee on Agriculture  
Representative Richard P. Creagan, Chair

Presented By: Tim Lyons, CAE  
Executive Director

Subject: H.B. 481 - Relating to Invasive Species

Chair Lee, Chair Creagan and Members of the Joint Committees:

I am Tim Lyons, Executive Director of the Hawaii Pest Control Association.

We support this bill. Private pest control operators are trained routinely on ant control, their biology and the better methods of control. As an example, the little fire ant typically harbors in trees and bushes up as much as six (6) feet high. Not every homeowner will want to climb a ladder and make an outdoor pesticide application.

We support this appropriation which will help to reduce the homeowner's cost. We also think that a map indicating infestation sites would be helpful.

Based on the above, we support this bill.

Thank you.

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Laura Berthold	Individual	Support	No

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Arianna Feinberg	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a lifelong Maui resident, small business owner, and Democrat and I strongly SUPPORT HB481. We need to do EVERYTHING in our power to exterminate, mitigate and prevent the spread of Little Fire Ants. I feel so bad for the residents of Hawaii Island that have to deal with LFA biting their children, pets, selves and hurting their property values as well as agricultural output and potential. Thank you for considering my testimony on this important legislation. Arianna Feinberg

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The House of Representatives  
Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection  
Committee on Agriculture  
February 7, 2017  
9:00 a.m., Conference Room 325  
State Capitol

### **Testimony in Support of the Intent of HB 481**

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite, and Committee Members,

The Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species (CGAPS) **supports the intent of HB 481, *Relating to Invasive Species***. The aim of this measure is to require the Hawai'i Department of Agriculture (HDOA) to establish a little fire ant (LFA) pesticide treatment coupon program, map and provide public information on verified presence of LFA in Hawai'i County, propose legislation to address LFA, and appropriate funds for HDOA to comply.

CGAPS appreciates the tremendous impact of LFA on the economy, environment, public health, and the quality of life of entire communities. Over the past several years, we have worked closely with HDOA, the Hawai'i Ant Lab, CTAHR researchers, the Hawai'i Invasive Species Council, the Invasive Species Committees, and others to try to address LFA. For example CGAPS, the Oahu Invasive Species Committee, and HDOA used public outreach, media, and school visits to engage Oahu residents in surveying their properties for LFA. Since 2014, nearly 500 samples were submitted by the public (one was LFA), and CGAPS and OISC received more than 1,200 ant samples from students (none were LFA). The work with schools has been intensive, requiring an average of 1 FTE to help guide the teachers and students through the ID activity. Samples submitted by the public were identified by HDOA, which also required staff time. From the bill language, it isn't clear how much support would be provided to assist with the mapping and verification.

We appreciate the Legislature's help in gaining tools and resources that could enable the public to participate in controlling LFA on private property, although we defer to HDOA on the details of instituting a pesticide treatment coupon program.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,  
Christy Martin  
CGAPS

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Lorie Farrell	Hawaii Farmers & Ranchers United	Support	Yes

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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE**

February 7, 2017, 9:00 a.m. - Conference Room 325

**SUPPORT for HB 481, RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES**

The Honorable Chris Lee

Chair, Energy & Environmental Protection

The Honorable Richard Creagan

Chair, House Committee on Agriculture

The Honorable Members of the Joint Agriculture and Energy & Environmental Protection Committee

**RE: HB 481 – Relating to Invasive Species “Little Fire Ant” (SUPPORT)**

Dear Chairman Lee and Chairman Creagan:

Establishing a pesticide treatment project for Big Island is vital to agriculture's continued ability to export crops and increase productivity. While the irony is not lost on me that this committee is hearing multiple Bills to ban or restrict pesticide use in Hawaii meanwhile this Bill acknowledges that we do need pesticides to protect human and animal health.

I respectfully Support HB 481, Thank you for considering my testimony.

Curt Oishi

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David Makaiwi

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Just say no to fire ants! Mahalo!

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Elaine Olson

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Jade McMillen

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J. Julian Miller Ready

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**From:** Mark Kijima <zsacyrvqfsstiq@ujoin.co>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 3:31 PM  
**To:** EEPtestimony  
**Subject:** Support HB 481 - Relating to Invasive Species

**From:** kgma1956@gmail.com <Mark Kijima>

**Message:**

The Little Fire Ant & Coffee Berry Borer are already established here on Maui. It is only a matter of time that we face tremendous economic burden of dealing with these pests too. Mark Kijima Kula, Hawaii

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**From:** glidden@hawaii.edu <Michael Glidden>

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Michael Glidden

Waipahu

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**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 3:30 PM  
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**From:** rkrhonu@gmail.com <Rhonda Russell>

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**From:** rodgerhansen22@gmail.com <Rodger Hansen>

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**From:** charlieiona@me.com <Charles Iona>

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**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 4:15 PM  
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**From:** patrick.k.rich@monsanto.com <Patrick Rich>

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**From:** kkat2@hawaii.rr.com <Kathleen Katz>

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Kathleen Katz

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**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 4:18 PM  
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**From:** raetherrien@gmail.com <Rae Therrien>

**Message:**

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**From:** mlwdjr@yahoo.com <Ming Li Wang>

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Ming Li Wang

Honolulu

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**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 7:00 PM  
**To:** EEPtestimony  
**Cc:** douglasvincent@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Submitted testimony for HB481 on Feb 7, 2017 09:00AM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Douglas L. Vincent	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Little fire ant hurts Hawaii agriculture and we need measures to mitigate this dangerous invasive species

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Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 9:21 PM  
To: EEPtestimony  
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**From:** annsmith313@hotmail.com <Ann Smith>

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Ann Smith

Honokaa

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Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2017 6:34 AM  
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**From:** davidfell60@gmail.com <David Fell>

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Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 5:03 PM  
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**From:** drgmaui@hawaii.rr.com <Don Gerbig>

**Message:**

If you do not have pesticides, or they are so restricted by those with little knowledge of their need, you might as well give up farming in Hawaii. And save the state taxpayers money by doing away with the DOA

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**From:** zenfoundspirit@gmail.com <Donald Hyatt>

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**From:** eugene.f.santiago@monsanto.com <Eugene Santiago>

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Eugene Santiago

Kaunakakai

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**From:** surfgeorge@yahoo.com <George Pace>

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To: EEPtestimony  
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**From:** swartzg001@hawaii.rr.com <Greg Swartz>

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**From:** hhall@hpa.edu <Howard Hall>

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Kim Kozuma

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Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2017 7:21 AM  
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**From:** kylashetter88@gmail.com <Kyla Defore>

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Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 6:51 PM  
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Kylie Matsuda Lum

Kahuku

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Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 10:12 PM  
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**From:** lorie.farrell@gmail.com <Lorie Farrell>

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**From:** nande59@gmail.com <Nancy Anderson>

**Message:**

Little Fire Ant stings have affected one of my pets' eyes, causing pain in his eye and cloudiness in his cornea. My vet said there is nothing medically that can be done. I am concerned that LFA infestation could negatively affect tourism; thus the economy of Hawaii. I am hoping that control methods will be taken and non-toxic means of control will be researched and developed.

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Nancy Anderson

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From: Paul Poister <veijcxcfzpegwvi@ujoin.co>  
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 6:21 PM  
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**From:** paul.poister@agrium.com <Paul Poister>

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From: Rhonda Stoltzfus <oscvqmakmcbbenl@ujoin.co>  
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 6:47 PM  
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**From:** stoltzfus34@yahoo.com <Rhonda Stoltzfus>

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From: Richard Ha <lewkvqiivuiiaw@ujoin.co>  
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 10:37 PM  
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**From:** richard@hamakuasprings.com <Richard Ha>

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Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 6:56 PM  
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**From:** sarahentm@gmail.com <Sarah Thompson>

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Sarah Thompson

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From: Shyla Moon <cxvksnalpqxuzlp@ujoin.co>  
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 7:28 PM  
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**From:** shyla.moon@ymail.com <Shyla Moon>

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From: Stacie Sasagawa <gsegsywyzkaaqwm@ujoin.co>  
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 10:55 PM  
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**From:** ssasagawa@hawaii.rr.com <Stacie Sasagawa>

**Message:**

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Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 5:30 PM  
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**From:** t\_mclean@juno.com <Terry Mc Lean>

**Message:**

This should be acted upon immediately. Many times the legislature will not act on invasive species because they do not cause problems on Oahu. This should be addressed state wide!

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Terry Mc Lean

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From: Greg Heyd <rkxhcwkhxbefmvs@ujoin.co>  
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 5:31 PM  
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**From:** heydg002@hawaii.rr.com <Greg Heyd>

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Greg Heyd

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From: David Christopher <felgljplqtweezd@u...>  
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2017 8:35 PM  
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**From:** dchr@hawaii.edu <David Christopher>

**Message:**

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