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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

FEBRUARY 13, 2019
8:30 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 312

HOUSE BILL NO. 1095
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Chairperson Creagan and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on House Bill 1095 which appropriates funds to the Department to develop an effective control plan for reducing the population of feral pigs statewide. The Department of Agriculture supports the intent of this bill provided it does not impact the Department's priorities listed in the Executive Budget.

Feral pigs can have devastating impacts on farmers statewide. From crop loss to irrigation damages, these feral animals can subject farmers to additional costs associated with agricultural production. Game management, through wildlife control permits through the Department of Land and Natural Resources, is an option that agriculturalists may be able to pursue. With the funding allotted in this measure, the Department will work with the community to determine effective control measures to reduce costs to the agricultural community.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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**STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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M. KALEO MANUEL
DEPUTY DIRECTOR - WATER

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STATE PARKS

**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
AGRICULTURE**

**Wednesday, February 13, 2019
8:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 312**

**In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 1095
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

House Bill 1095 proposes to appropriate funds to the Hawaii Department of Agriculture (DOA) to assist farmers in the exclusion or control of feral pigs impacting agricultural lands. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this measure provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Budget request and offers the following comments.**

The Department recognizes feral pigs as both an invasive species and a game mammal in Hawaii. The Department has a long history of excluding or controlling pigs from native forests in Hawaii in order to support watershed function and supports similar efforts by DOA to minimize the impacts of feral pigs on agricultural lands. The Department defers to the DOA on the best approach to support farmers and can assist the DOA with provision of permits for wildlife control where necessary.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



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February 13, 2019

HEARING BEFORE THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

TESTIMONY ON HB 1095
RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Room 312
8:30 AM

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite, and Members of the Committee:

I am Brian Miyamoto, Executive Director 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.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau supports HB 1095, which appropriates funds to the department of agriculture for feral pig control.

Feral pigs can cause major damage to property, agriculture (crops and livestock), Hawaii's native species and ecosystems, and Hawaii's cultural and historic resources. Feral pigs can also threaten the health of people, wildlife, pets, and other domestic animals. As Hawaii's feral pig populations continue to expand, these damages, costs, and risks will only keep rising.

Feral pigs cause tremendous damage to agriculture, including crops, nursery, livestock, and pasture. They damage crops by consuming them or by their rooting and trampling of crops. They will eat almost any crop. Feral pigs damage pasture grasses, killing desired plant species and often encouraging the growth of undesired weed species. They can also devastate orchards by consuming fruit, citrus, and nuts and their rooting can severely damage, or even kill saplings, shrubs, and vines directly or by facilitating the spread of soil-based fungal diseases. Feral pigs can also break irrigation lines, rip or tear nets, drying racks, and other agricultural structures and equipment.

Hawaii's farmers and ranchers appreciate any effort to help control the feral pig population and the negative impacts that feral pigs have on Hawaii's agriculture industry.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this important subject.

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 4:34:22 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Warren Watanabe	Maui County Farm Bureau	Support	No

Comments:



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VOICE OF BUSINESS

LATE

**HEARING BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
HAWAII STATE CAPITOL, SENATE CONFERENCE ROOM 312
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019 AT 8:30 A.M.**

To The Honorable Richard P. Cregan, Chair;
The Honorable Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair; and
Members of Committee on Agriculture;

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1095 RELATING TO
THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Aloha, my name is Pamela Tumpap and I am the President of the Maui Chamber of Commerce, with approximately 650 members. I am writing share our support of HB 1095.

Invasive species affect both residents and visitors and are detrimental to our various industries, our ecosystem and our quality of life. Since the closing of HC&S on Maui, feral pigs have become a problem Upcounty and are affecting farmers, businesses, homeowners, and more. We are even starting to see feral pigs on the roadways, which dangerous for drivers. Therefore, we support SB 1150 to appropriate funds to reduce the population of feral pigs.

We appreciate the opportunity to testify on this matter and ask that this bill be passed.

Sincerely,

Pamela Tumpap

Pamela Tumpap
President

To advance and promote a healthy economic environment for business, advocating for a responsive government and quality education, while preserving Maui's unique community characteristics.

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 5:22:58 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alan Takemoto	Bayer	Support	No

Comments:

Chair Creagan and members of the committee:

We support HB 1095 that appropriates funds to control the feral pig population as it has negatively impacted farms and ranches statewide.

Thank you.

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HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/12/2019 8:52:58 PM
Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dale Sandlin	Hawaii Cattlemens Council	Support	No

Comments:

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 10:01:16 AM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cathy Goeggel	Animal Rights Hawai'i	Oppose	Yes

Comments:



HAWAII CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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TESTIMONY FROM BENNETTE MISALUCHA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In Support of HB1095
Relating to the Department of Agriculture

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
February 13, 2019, 8:30 a.m.
Conference Room 312

Chair Creagan and members of the committee:

The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association (HCIA) is in support of HB1095, which appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture to develop an effective control plan for reducing the population of feral pigs statewide.

Feral pigs are a substantial threat to agriculture in Hawaii. Over the years, local farmers have watched as the population of these environmental and agricultural pests have grown. The risk to agricultural crops and livestock is substantial. Invasive feral hogs destroy agriculture crops by digging up the soil for food and creating niche spaces for other non-native species. The requested funding will allow the Department of Agriculture to develop a much-needed control plan to limit the negative impacts produced by these animals.

HCIA respectfully requests that this committee in support of HB1095 to help local farmers protect their businesses and livelihoods.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Bennette Misalucha
Executive Director, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association

The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association is a Hawaii-based non-profit organization that promotes modern agriculture to help farmers and communities succeed. Through education, collaboration, and advocacy, we work to ensure a safe and sustainable food supply, support responsible farming practices, and build a healthy economy.



February 11, 2019

Representative Richard P. Creagan, Chair
Representative Lynn DeCoite, Vice-Chair
House Committee on Agriculture

**Support of HB 1095, Relating to the Department of Agriculture (DOA)
(Appropriates funds to the DOA for feral pig control.)**

Wednesday, February 13, 2019, 8:30 a.m., in Conference Room 312

The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii (LURF) is a private, non-profit research and trade association whose members include major Hawaii landowners, developers and a utility company. LURF's mission is to advocate for reasonable, rational and equitable land use planning, legislation and regulations that encourage well-planned economic growth and development, while safeguarding Hawaii's significant natural and cultural resources, and public health and safety.

LURF appreciates the opportunity to express its **support of HB 1095**.

HB 1095. This bill proposes to appropriate funds to the DOA to develop an effective control plan for reducing the population of feral pigs statewide.

LURF's Position. LURF understands that feral pigs are destructive animals, destroying farm crops throughout the State, and now extending their reach into urban areas. These invasive animals destroy agriculture crops by digging up the soil for food and creating niche spaces for other non-native species.

Invasive species and animals such as insects, disease-bearing organisms, snakes, weeds, and other pests pose the greatest threat to Hawaii's economy, tourism, agriculture, the natural environment, and to the health and lifestyle of Hawaii's people, and already cause millions of dollars in crop losses, the extinction of native species, the destruction of native wet, moist and dry land forests, and the spread of disease. More harmful animals and pests increasingly threaten to invade all the Hawaiian Islands and wreak further damage.

Support of and assistance to local farmers is essential to mitigate the threats and impacts of invasive animals in Hawaii and to effectively protect Hawaii's natural resources and native species. HB 1095 will assist local agricultural stakeholders by appropriating funds to the DOA for feral pig control including grants for fencing and corral traps; and introduction of a program to reduce feral pig populations, thereby aiding in the prevention and control of these invasive animals and ultimately, the protection of Hawaii's environment and economy.

For the above reasons, LURF **supports HB 1095** and respectfully urges your favorable consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding this matter.

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 3:16:33 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Natalie Parra	Keiko Conservation	Oppose	No

Comments:

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 12:48:57 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Suyin Phillips	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I suggest that the DoA invest in research on humane population control.

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 3:28:00 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ryuko Miura	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 9:54:20 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
james Kimo Falconer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support this bill. Very important for our fresh water resource.

James Kimo Falconer, President, MauiGrown Coffee Inc.

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/12/2019 2:19:42 AM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jaunette Itsuno	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/12/2019 7:56:34 AM

Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laurie Pottish	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

decoite3 - Richard

From: Merle Becker <y2kvet@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 9:26 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: I Support HB 1095

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I support HB 1095, which appropriates funds to the department of agriculture for feral pig control.

As feral pig populations continue to grow across the state, problems relating to feral pigs have drastically increased, affecting farmers and ranchers. Feral pigs destroy agricultural crops by digging up the soil for food and creating niche spaces for other non-native species. This will be an ongoing problem unless feral pig populations are reduced.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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From: Craig Bowden <cbowden@hawaiianpineapple.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 9:44 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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Categories: Red Category

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From: Stephanie Iona <s.iona@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 10:35 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Megan Kono <megankono808@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 10:33 PM
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From: Debbie Silk <silksta_1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 10:05 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Bronson Yadao <byadao87@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 9:41 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Reid Yoshida <r-yoshida@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 10:21 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Michelle Brun <mbrun1027@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 12:00 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Walter Ines <donnie.ines@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 12:36 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Marlene Kali <hayntida@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 11:15 AM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Carolynn Lum <hawaii96766@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 1:29 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Ted Lunasco <lunascot002@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 2:06 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Tasha Okamoto <tokamoto@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 12:01 PM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: linnette sawyer <lsawyer29@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 10:50 AM
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From: Michelle Starke <robert.starke.007@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 9:49 AM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Jari Sugano <ncsugano@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 11:49 AM
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From: Randy Yokoyama <rjyoko@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 9:56 AM
To: AGRtestimony
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From: Diane Chuensanguansat <dina@hawaii.rr.com>
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From: Clifton Mission <cmission1992@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 11:54 AM
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HB-1095

Submitted on: 2/12/2019 9:07:12 PM
Testimony for AGR on 2/13/2019 8:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jacoby Young	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I am opposed to this bill. The DoA must invest in researching humane population control as we share land with feral pigs. They are here with us, not for us. They deserve the basic right to existence without us imposing human supremacy yet again onto them.

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