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**Testimony of  
SUZANNE D. CASE  
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on  
WATER AND LAND**

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**In consideration of  
HOUSE BILL 1405, HOUSE DRAFT 2  
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
BUDGET**

House Bill 1405, House Draft 2 (HB1405, HD2) proposes to adjust the Fiscal Biennium 2019-2021 operating budget for the State Executive Branch programs of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) under the purview of the House of Representatives standing committee on Water, Land and Hawaiian Affairs. **The Department respectfully asks for your favorable consideration of the Department's recommendations regarding the following HD2 adjustments.**

**LNR 101 Public Lands Management**

To ensure the effective and efficient use of miscellaneous public lands not otherwise set aside to other agencies, in ways that fulfill the public trust obligations and promote the sustained social, environmental and economic well-being of Hawaii's people.

To protect and conserve Conservation district lands and beaches within the State of Hawaii for the benefit of present and future generations, through regulation of uses of public and private lands in the Conservation District.

- HB 1405, HD2 appropriates \$80,000 in special fund for salary and fringe of a temporary Climate Change Coordinator position. The Department respectfully asks that a position count (1.00 FTE) and funding in general funds be incorporated into this measure. The position and funds were initially established by Act 32, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2017 (\$205,000/\$205,000 A).

- HB 1405, HD2 does not include the Administration’s request for a special fund ceiling increase for the Land Legacy Conservation Fund for acquisition of resource value land (\$2,364,905/\$2,364,905 B). The special fund ceiling increase is necessary to help resolve the critical problem of underinvestment in protecting our natural capital base. The Department respectfully asks that this request be incorporated into this measure.
- HB 1405, HD2 does not include the Governor’s Message No. 6 request to increase special fund expenditure ceiling for Special Land and Development Fund. The ceiling increase is necessary for the utilization of public lands for income generation (\$3,000,000/\$3,000,000 B).

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
101/EA	General	A	-	-	-	-	-	-
101/EA	Special	B	56.00	-	21,639,761	56.00	-	21,655,066
	<b>Total - Base Budget</b>		<b>56.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,639,761</b>	<b>56.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,655,066</b>
101/EA	Add position and funds for Climate Change Coordinator (Salary: \$65,000; Others: \$40,000) from Act 32, SLH 2017 and additional funds for other operating expenses (planning: \$100,000)	A	-	1.00	205,000	-	1.00	205,000
101/EA	Special Fund ceiling increase for the Legacy Land Conservation Program	B	-	-	2,364,905	-	-	2,364,905
101/EA	Special Fund ceiling increase (Governor’s Message)	B	-	-	3,000,000	-	-	3,000,000
	<b>Total - Adjustments</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>5,569,905</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>5,569,905</b>
101/EA	General	A	-	1.00	205,000	-	1.00	205,000
101/EA	Special	B	56.00	-	27,004,666	56.00	-	27,019,971
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>56.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>27,209,666</b>	<b>56.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>27,224,971</b>

**LNR 141 Water and Land Development**

To develop water and land resources to support programs to achieve the State’s economic, agricultural, environmental and social goals, with priority given to state-sponsored projects; provide engineering services to execute capital improvements program under/or operating, maintenance and repair projects; perform geothermal/mineral resource management duties; and address/monitor rockfall hazards on Department-owned lands.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
141/GA	General	A	24.00	-	2,281,113	24.00	-	2,287,154
141/GA	Special	B	4.00	-	795,324	4.00	-	796,620
141/GA	Trust	T	-	-	199,479	-	-	199,479
	Total - Base Budget		28.00	-	3,275,916	28.00	-	3,283,253
141/GA		A	-	-	-	-	-	-
141/GA		B	-	-	-	-	-	-
141/GA		T	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total - Adjustments		-	-	-	-	-	-
141/GA	General	A	24.00	-	2,281,113	24.00	-	2,287,154
141/GA	Special	B	4.00	-	795,324	4.00	-	796,620
141/GA	Trust	T	-	-	199,479	-	-	199,479
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>28.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,275,916</b>	<b>28.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,283,253</b>

### **LNR 153 Fisheries Management**

To manage, conserve and restore the State's aquatic resources and ecosystems for present and future generations through marine resources planning, management, regulation and monitoring.

- Administration's requests for federal fund ceiling adjustment for anticipated other federal fund awards (\$213,238/\$213,238 P) and special fund ceiling increase for fringe adjustment (\$3,132/3,132 B) are included in HB 896, HD2.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
153/CB	General	A	9.00	-	845,514	9.00	-	847,246
153/CB	Special	B	2.00	-	373,022	2.00	-	373,290
153/CB	Federal Funds	N	-	-	420,000	-	-	420,000
153/CB	Other Federal Funds	P	2.00	1.00	261,762	2.00	1.00	261,762
	Total - Base Budget		13.00	1.00	1,900,298	13.00	1.00	1,902,298
153/CB	Federal Fund Ceiling	P	-	-	213,238	-	-	213,238
153/CB	Special Fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment	B	-	-	3,132	-	-	3,132
	Total - Adjustments		-	-	216,370	-	-	216,370
153/CB	General	A	9.00	-	845,514	9.00	-	847,246
153/CB	Special	B	2.00	-	376,154	2.00	-	376,422
153/CB	Federal Funds	N	-	-	420,000	-	-	420,000
153/CB	Other Federal Funds	P	2.00	1.00	475,000	2.00	1.00	475,000
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>13.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>2,116,668</b>	<b>13.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>2,118,668</b>

### **LNR 401 Ecosystem Protection and Restoration**

To manage, conserve and restore the State's aquatic resources and ecosystems for present and future generations through marine resources planning, management, regulation and monitoring.

- HB 1405, HD2 approved the transfer-out of one Accountant position (1.00 FTE) to LNR 906 (-.25 FTE, -\$12,693 A/- .75 FTE, -\$60,927 N).
- HB 1405, HD2 established one temporary Program Specialist V (1.00 FTE) and general funds (\$29,808 FY20/\$59,616 FY21 A) to support the coordination and implementation of the Marine 30X30 Initiative. The Department supports this addition.
- HB 1405, HD2 approved the full year funding in general funds for Position #91914C, Program Specialist III (\$46,050/\$46,050 A).
- HB 1405, HD2 did not approve the full year funding in general funds for Position #91902C, Aquatic Resources Program Manager (\$24,474/\$24,474 A). The Department respectfully asks that this request be incorporated into this measure.
- Administration’s requests for federal fund ceiling adjustment based on anticipated federal fund awards (-\$110,937/- \$35,937 N) and other federal funds (\$2,196,178/\$2,056,178 P) are included in HB 896, HD2.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
401/CA	General	A	26.75	4.00	2,421,683	26.75	4.00	2,426,499
401/CA	Federal Funds	N	0.75	2.00	2,437,937	0.75	2.00	2,437,937
401/CA	Other Federal Funds	P	0.50	4.00	1,558,822	0.50	4.00	1,558,822
	Total - Base Budget		28.00	10.00	6,418,442	28.00	10.00	6,423,258
401/CA	Transfer-out Accountant IV, Position #120594, from LNR 401 to LNR 906	A	(0.25)	-	(12,693)	(0.25)	-	(12,693)
401/CA	Transfer-out Accountant IV, Position #120594, from LNR 401 to LNR 906 (Salary: \$38,079, Fringe: \$22,848)	N	(0.75)	-	(60,927)	(0.75)	-	(60,927)
401/CA	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N	-	-	(110,937)	-	-	(35,937)
401/CA	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	P	-	-	2,196,178	-	-	2,056,178
	Total - Adjustments		(1.00)	-	2,011,621	(1.00)	-	1,946,621
401/CA	General	A	26.50	4.00	2,408,990	26.50	4.00	2,413,806
401/CA	Federal Funds	N	-	2.00	2,266,073	-	2.00	2,341,073
401/CA	Other Federal Funds	P	0.50	4.00	3,755,000	0.50	4.00	3,615,000
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>27.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>8,430,063</b>	<b>27.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>8,369,879</b>

Note: Base budget from HB 2 already included the Department’s biennium budget requests for full year funding for Aquatic Resources Program Manager position (\$46,050/\$46,050 A) and for Program specialist III position (\$24,474/\$24,474 A). **HB2, HD2 does not include the base budgets for all departmental programs under the purview of the House Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs Committee.**

**LNR 404 Water Resources**

To protect the water resources of the State and provide for the maximum beneficial use of water by present and future generations.

- Administration’s request for special fund ceiling increase for fringe adjustment (\$10,673/\$10,673 B) is included in HB 896, HD2.
- HB 1405, HD2 added \$3,000,000 in FY20 and \$3,000,000 in FY21 in general funds to pay for a geographical Environmental Impact Statement for water permits for the County of Kauai and the County of Hawaii. The Department supports this addition provided it does not impact the Administration’s objectives as indicated in the Executive Budget.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
404/GC	General	A	19.00	-	2,646,222	19.00	-	2,650,917
404/GC	Special	B	6.00	-	1,174,237	6.00	-	1,176,110
404/GC	Federal Funds	N	-	-	150,000	-	-	150,000
	<b>Total - Base Budget</b>		<b>25.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,970,459</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,977,027</b>
404/GC	Special Fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment	B	-	-	10,673	-	-	10,673
	<b>Total - Adjustments</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,673</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,673</b>
404/GC	General	A	19.00	-	2,646,222	19.00	-	2,650,917
404/GC	Special	B	6.00	-	1,184,910	6.00	-	1,186,783
404/GC	Federal Funds	N	-	-	150,000	-	-	150,000
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>25.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,981,132</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,987,700</b>

**LNR 801 Ocean-Based Recreation**

To enrich the lives of people of all ages, both residents and visitors alike, by providing ocean-based opportunities, facilities, activities, skill development, and area management including boating of all types, salt water fishing, surfing, sailboarding and diving, ocean swimming and other ocean activities.

- HB 1405, HD2 approves the transfer-out of two Accountant positions (2.00 FTE) to LNR 906 (-\$168,269/- \$168,269 B).
- Administration’s request to trade-off special fund ceiling from Other Current Expenses (-\$350,000 B) to Motor Vehicles (\$250,000 B) and Equipment (\$100,000 B) is included in HB 896, HD2. Administration’s request for special fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment (\$104,087/\$104,087 B) is included in HB 896, HD2.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
801/CH	General	A	10.00	-	641,944	10.00	-	643,023
801/CH	Special	B	117.00	-	20,592,561	117.00	-	20,615,512
801/CH	Federal Funds	N	-	-	1,500,626	-	-	1,500,626
	Total - Base Budget		127.00	-	22,735,131	127.00	-	22,759,161
801/CH	Transfer-out 1 Accountant IV, Position #46758 (Salary: \$57,168, Fringe: \$34,301) and 1 Accountant III, Position #50939 (Salary: \$48,000: Fringe: \$28,800), from LNR 801 to LNR 906	B	(2.00)	-	(168,269)	(2.00)	-	(168,269)
Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
801/CH	Trade-off: Decrease funds in Other Current Expenses to fund Motor Vehicles (\$250,000) and Equipment (\$100,000)	B	-	-	(350,000)	-	-	(350,000)
801/CH	Trade-off: Decrease funds in Other Current Expenses to fund Motor Vehicles (\$250,000)	B	-	-	250,000	-	-	250,000
801/CH	Trade-off: Decrease funds in Other Current Expenses to fund Equipment (\$100,000)	B	-	-	100,000	-	-	100,000
801/CH	Special Fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment	B	-	-	104,087	-	-	104,087
	Total - Adjustments		(2.00)	-	(64,182)	(2.00)	-	(64,182)
801/CH	General	A	10.00	-	641,944	10.00	-	643,023
801/CH	Special	B	115.00	-	20,528,379	115.00	-	20,551,330
801/CH	Federal Funds	N	-	-	1,500,626	-	-	1,500,626
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>125.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,670,949</b>	<b>125.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,694,979</b>

### **LNR 802 Historic Preservation**

To develop and maintain a comprehensive program of historic preservation through review of projects to assess potential impacts to historic properties, and to promote the use and conservation of historic properties for the education, inspiration, pleasure and enrichment of the citizens of Hawaii.

- Administration's request for federal fund ceiling adjustment for anticipated federal fund awards (\$57,347/\$57,347 N) is included in HB 896, HD2.
- Administration's request to add general funds for digitization of records, files, reports and correspondences (\$150,000/\$100,000 A) is included in HB 896, HD2.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
802/HP	General	A	32.00	-	2,328,925	32.00	-	2,334,058
802/HP	Special	B	2.00	-	658,459	2.00	-	658,911
802/HP	Federal Funds	N	6.00	-	534,013	6.00	-	534,013
	Total - Base Budget		40.00	-	3,521,397	40.00	-	3,526,982
802/HP	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N	-	-	57,347	-	-	57,347
802/HP	Add funds for digitization of record, files, etc.	A	-	-	150,000	-	-	100,000
	Total - Adjustments		-	-	207,347	-	-	157,347
802/HP	General	A	32.00	-	2,478,925	32.00	-	2,434,058
802/HP	Special	B	2.00	-	658,459	2.00	-	658,911
802/HP	Federal Funds	N	6.00	-	591,360	6.00	-	591,360
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>40.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,728,744</b>	<b>40.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,684,329</b>

### **LNR 804 Forest and Outdoor Recreation**

To manage and protect watersheds, native ecosystems, and cultural resources, and to provide outdoor recreation and sustainable forest product opportunities, while facilitating partnerships, community involvement and education.

- HB 1405, HD2 includes the request for federal fund ceiling adjustment for anticipated federal fund awards (\$896,251/\$896,251 N).
- HB 1405, HD2 does not include the request to change the means of financing for five positions (3.50 FTE) from special funds to general funds (-\$348,960/- \$348,960 B; \$218,100/\$218,100 A). The Department respectfully asks that this request be incorporated into this measure.
- HB 1405, HD2 adds \$800,000 in FY20 and \$400,000 in FY21 in general funds for the Game Related Program statewide. The Department supports this addition provided it does not impact the Administration's objectives as indicated in the Executive Budget.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
804/DA	General	A	29.50	-	1,649,135	29.50	-	1,653,388
804/DA	Special	B	6.50	-	1,186,426	6.50	-	1,188,191
804/DA	Federal Funds	N	6.00	13.00	3,503,749	6.00	13.00	3,503,749
804/DA	Revolving	W	3.00	-	644,164	3.00	-	645,490
	<b>Total - Base Budget</b>		<b>45.00</b>	<b>13.00</b>	<b>6,983,474</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>13.00</b>	<b>6,990,818</b>
804/DA	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N	-	-	896,251	-	-	896,251
804/DA	Change of MOF from B to A due to lack of funds for the following positions: Forester VI, #47599 FTE .50 (\$30,912) Trails and Access Specialist V, #47596 FTE .50 (\$37,596) Trails and Access Specialist V, #47597 FTE .50 (\$37,596) Trails and Access Specialist V, #52396 (\$69,540) Forestry and Wildlife Worker II, #117719 (\$42,456) Fringe: \$130,860	B	(3.50)	-	(348,960)	(3.50)	-	(348,960)
804/DA	Change of MOF from B to A due to lack of funds for the following positions: Forester VI, #47599 FTE .50 (\$30,912) Trails and Access Specialist V, #47596 FTE .50 (\$37,596) Trails and Access Specialist V, #47597 FTE .50 (\$37,596) Trails and Access Specialist V, #52396 (\$69,540) Forestry and Wildlife Worker II, #117719 (\$42,456)	A	3.50	-	218,100	3.50	-	218,100
	<b>Total - Adjustments</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>765,391</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>765,391</b>
804/DA	General	A	33.00	-	1,867,235	33.00	-	1,871,488
804/DA	Special	B	3.00	-	837,466	3.00	-	839,231
804/DA	Federal Funds	N	6.00	13.00	4,400,000	6.00	13.00	4,400,000
804/DA	Revolving	W	3.00	-	644,164	3.00	-	645,490
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>45.00</b>	<b>13.00</b>	<b>7,748,865</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>13.00</b>	<b>7,756,209</b>

### LNR 805 District Resource Management

To manage, conserve and restore that State's aquatic resources and ecosystems for present and future generations through marine resources planning, management, regulation and monitoring.

- Administration's request for federal fund ceiling adjustment for anticipated federal fund awards (-\$50,000/- \$50,000 N) is included in HB 896, HD2.
- Administration's request for full year funding in general funds for Position #91906C, Aquatic Resources Program Manager (\$46,050/\$46,050 A) is included in HB 896, HD2.



- HB 1405, HD2 does not include the request for full year funding in general funds for three Aquatic Biologist III positions (\$73,422/\$73,422 A). The Department respectfully asks that this request be incorporated into this measure.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
805/CB	General	A	19.00	-	1,095,524	19.00	-	1,097,814
805/CB	Special	B	-	0.25	103,088	-	0.25	103,180
805/CB	Federal Funds	N	-	0.75	1,920,000	-	0.75	1,920,000
	Total - Base Budget		19.00	1.00	3,118,612	19.00	1.00	3,120,994
805/CB	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N	-	-	(50,000)	-	-	150,000
	Total - Adjustments		-	-	(50,000)	-	-	150,000
805/CB	General	A	19.00	-	1,095,524	19.00	-	1,097,814
805/CB	Special	B	-	0.25	103,088	-	0.25	103,180
805/CB	Federal Funds	N	-	0.75	1,870,000	-	0.75	2,070,000
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>19.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>3,068,612</b>	<b>19.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>3,270,994</b>

Note: Base budget from HB 2 already included the Department’s biennium budget requests for full year funding for Aquatic Resources Program Manager position (\$46,050/\$46,050 A) and full year funding for three (3) Aquatic Biologist III positions (\$73,422/\$73,422 A). **HB2, HD2 does not include the base budgets for all departmental programs under the purview of the House Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs Committee.**

**LNR 806 Parks Administration and Operation**

To manage, maintain and enhance state park operations and infrastructure and programs for the public by providing statewide administrative and interpretive services, formulating overall policies and plans, and determining current and future needs for state parks and Land Water Conservation Fund supported activities. To provide public safety and quality to recreational and cultural park experience while minimizing potential impacts to natural and cultural resources when developing and operating state parks.

- HB 1405, HD2 approves the transfer-out of one Accountant position (1.00 FTE) to LNR 906 (-\$36,468/- \$36,468 A).
- \$1,546,456 in general funds for four (4) current county lifeguard services contracts in Fy20 is included in HB 896, HD2. Administration’s request for federal fund ceiling adjustment for anticipated other federal fund awards (-\$218,456/- \$1,218,456 P) and special fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment (\$120,160/\$120,160 B) are included in HB 896, HD2.
- HB 1405, HD2 adds \$3,000,000 in FY20 and \$3,000,000 in FY21 in special funds for four (4) county lifeguard services contracts. The Department respectfully request to amend the means of financing from special funds to general funds.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
806/FA	General	A	87.00	-	6,321,382	87.00	-	6,333,022
806/FI	Special	B	48.00	-	10,236,778	48.00	-	10,247,098
806/FI	Other Federal Funds	P	-	-	1,218,456	-	-	1,218,456
	<b>Total - Base Budget</b>		<b>135.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,776,616</b>	<b>135.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,798,576</b>
806/FA	Transfer-out Accountant III, Position #12969, from LNR 806 to LNR 906	A	(1.00)	-	(36,468)	(1.00)	-	(36,468)
806/FA	Add funds for four (4) current county lifeguard services contract and one (1) new county lifeguard service contract	A	-	-	1,546,456	-	-	1,546,456
806/FI	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	P	-	-	(218,456)	-	-	(1,218,456)
806/FI	Special Fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment	B	-	-	120,160	-	-	120,160
	<b>Total - Adjustments</b>		<b>(1.00)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,411,692</b>	<b>(1.00)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>411,692</b>
806/FA	General	A	86.00	-	7,831,370	86.00	-	7,843,010
806/FI	Special	B	48.00	-	10,356,938	48.00	-	10,367,258
806/FI	Other Federal Funds	P	-	-	1,000,000	-	-	-
	<b>Total - Base Budget +Adjustments</b>		<b>134.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,188,308</b>	<b>134.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,210,268</b>

### **LNR 906 LNR – NATURAL AND PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT**

To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the Department by formulating policies, directing and coordinating operations. Fiscal management, information technology. Communication and personnel, and providing other core administrative support services.

The Kaho’olawe Island Reserve Commission manages Kaho’olawe, its surrounding waters, and its resources, in trust for the general public and for a future Native Hawaiian sovereign entity. The KIRC is placed administratively under the Department.

The Aha Moku Executive Committee, through its Executive Director, helps to identify indigenous practices for natural resource management, fosters understanding and practical use of native Hawaiian resource knowledge, methodology and expertise, and sustains the State’s marine, land, cultural, agricultural, and natural resources through providing community education and fostering cultural awareness on the benefits of the Aha Moku system.

- HB 1405, HD2 approves the transfer-in of Accountant positions (3.25 FTE) from various programs to LNR 906. The Department appreciates the approval of the transfer; however, the means of financing was changed from general funds to special funds. These Accountant positions are general funded. This will have a variance impact on the position count and funding between the various programs and LNR 906. Also, LNR 906 does not have a revenue producing special fund that can cover payroll and fringe benefit costs associated with the positions. This request is cost neutral and there will be no additional funds required on the transfer. The Department respectfully asks that the request be funded by general funds (\$148,665/\$148,665 A).

- HB 1405, HD2 approves the transfer-in of Accountant positions (1.75 FTE) from various programs to LNR 906 (\$156,044/\$156,044 N).
- HB 1405, HD2 approves the transfer-in of Accountant positions (2.00 FTE) from LNR 801 to LNR 906 (\$168,269/\$168,269 B).
- HB 1405, HD2 includes funding in general funds for the Aha Moku Committee (\$22,000/\$22,000 A).
- HB 1405, HD2 approves the change of the means of financing for Aha Moku Executive Director position; however, the change of MOF is from trust funds to special funds (-\$78,000/-78,000 B). The Department respectfully asks that the change be made from trust funds to general funds.
- HB 1405, HD2 did not include the request to add one (1) temporary position and general funds for Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission (\$153,000/\$153,000 A). The Department respectfully asks that the request be incorporated into this measure. The position and funds were initially established by Act 140, SLH 2018.
- HB 1405, HD2 approves the full year funding in special funds of two (2) permanent Accountant positions (2.00 FTE). The Department appreciates the approval of the request; however, these Accountant positions are funded by general funds. This will have a variance impact on the position count and funding in LNR 906. Also, LNR 906 does not have a revenue producing special fund that can cover payroll and fringe benefit costs associated with the positions. The Department respectfully asks that the request for general funds be incorporated into this measure (\$52,956/\$52,956 A).
- Administration's request for federal fund ceiling adjustment for anticipated federal fund awards (\$21,000/\$21,000 N) and special fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment (\$169,320/169,320 B) are included in HB 896, HD2.

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
906/AA	General	A	37.00	15.00	3,956,687	37.00	15.00	3,966,627
906/AA	Special	B	17.00	1.00	2,137,357	17.00	1.00	2,142,359
906/AA	Federal Funds	N	-	-	135,139	-	-	135,139
906/AA	Trust	T	1.00	-	154,148	1.00	-	154,148
	Total - Base Budget		55.00	16.00	6,383,331	55.00	16.00	6,398,273
906/AA	Transfer-in Accountant positions from various programs to LNR 906: #120594 (FTE .25), Accountant IV from LNR 401 (Salary: 12,693) #52375 (FTE 1.00), Accountant IV from LNR 405 (Salary: \$46,140)	A	3.25	-	148,665	3.25	-	148,665
906/AA	Transfer-in Accountant positions from various programs to LNR 906: #120594 (FTE .75), Accountant IV from LNR 401 (Salary: \$38,079, Fringe: \$22,848) #110303 (FTE1.00), Accountant IV from LNR 402 (Salary: \$59,448, Fringe: \$35,669)	N	1.75	-	156,044	1.75	-	156,044
906/AA	Transfer-in two (2) Accountant positions from LNR 801 to LNR 906: #46758, Accountant IV Salary: \$57,168, Fringe: \$34,301) #50939, Accountant III (Salary: \$48,000; Fringe: \$28,800)	B	2.00	-	168,269	2.00	-	168,269
906/AA	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N	-	-	21,000	-	-	21,000
906/AA	Reinstate funding for the Aha Moku Advisory Committee	A	-	-	22,000	-	-	22,000
906/AA	Change MOF from Trust Funds to General Funds for Position #120897, Executive Director Aha Moku (Salary: \$78,000; Fringe: \$74,871)	T	(1.00)	-	(152,871)	(1.00)	-	(152,871)

Prog ID/Org	Description	MOF	FY 20			FY 21		
			FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
906/AA	Change MOF from Trust Funds to General Funds for Position #120897, Executive Director Aha Moku	A	1.00	-	78,000	1.00	-	78,000
906/AA	Add position and funds for the Cultural Resource Project Coordinator (\$53,000) and other operating expenditures (\$100,000) from Act 140, SLH 2018	A	-	1.00	153,000	-	1.00	153,000
906/AA	Special Fund ceiling increase for fringe benefit adjustment	B	-	-	169,320	-	-	169,320
	Total - Adjustments		7.00	1.00	763,427	7.00	1.00	763,427
906/AA	General	A	41.25	16.00	4,358,352	41.25	16.00	4,368,292
906/AA	Special	B	19.00	1.00	2,474,946	19.00	1.00	2,479,948
906/AA	Federal Funds	N	1.75	-	312,183	1.75	-	312,183
906/AA	Trust	T	-	-	1,277	-	-	1,277
	<b>Total - Base Budget + Adjustments</b>		<b>62.00</b>	<b>17.00</b>	<b>7,146,758</b>	<b>62.00</b>	<b>17.00</b>	<b>7,161,700</b>

Note: Base budget from HB2 already included the Department's biennium budget request for full year funding for two (2) Accountant positions (\$52,956/\$52,956 A). **HB2, HD2 does not include the base budgets for all departmental programs under the purview of the House Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs Committee.**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



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**Before the Senate Committee on**

**WATER & LAND**

**Wednesday, March 13, 2019**

**1:20 PM**

**State Capitol, Conference Room 229**

**In consideration of**  
**HOUSE BILL 1405 HOUSE DRAFT 2**  
**RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES BUDGET**

House Bill 1405 HD2 adjusts the operating budget for the fiscal biennium 2019-2021 operating budget of certain Department of Land and Natural Resources programs under the purview of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Water, Land, & Hawaiian Affairs. The Kaho‘olawe Island Reserve Commission (KIRC) strongly supports this measure and **request it be amended to reinstate funding for the KIRC Cultural Resource Project Coordinator and operational funding in LNR906.**

House Draft 1 amendment reduced general fund appropriation for LNR 906 to \$22,000 for fiscal years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021. The KIRC submitted a request to continue the funding for the 1.0 FTE KIRC position (\$53,000) and \$100,000 in operating expenses appropriated by Act 140, SLH 2018 for fiscal years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 in LNR 906. This request was approved by the DLNR, Department of Budget & Finance and the Governor.

After speaking to the author of this measure and Chairperson of House of Representatives Standing Committee on Water, Land & Hawaiian Affairs, it was discovered that the funding specified for this request was inadvertently left out of the previous amendment because the request did not readily identify it was for Kaho‘olawe and that he supports the addition of this funding for KIRC. The KIRC critically needs the continuation of this position and funds in the upcoming biennium to support the protection of archaeological and cultural resources of Kaho‘olawe as well as the operating funds to support volunteers, contractors and KIRC staff while on Kaho‘olawe.

**The KIRC respectfully request the measure be amended and the funds in LNR906 for the KIRC position and operating expenses be reinstated.**



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March 11, 2019

TO: **Committee on Water and Land**  
Senator Kaiali'i Kahele, Chair  
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

RE: **Testimony on HB1405, HD2, Relating to the DLNR Budget  
Wednesday, March 13, 2019, Conference Room 229**

Chairperson Kahele and Members of the Committee:

My name is Jerry Ornellas and **I strongly support HB1405, HD2**. I am the president of the East Kauai Water Users' Cooperative which has managed the State-owned reservoir and ditch system in the Kapaa/Kalepa area for the past 17 years under a year-to-year revocable permit from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

More than a dozen water systems in the State are at risk of being permanently lost unless the present RP holders are provided funding to conduct the necessary studies required for a long-term license.

We are therefore in favor of HB1405, HD2, to provide such funding.

I respectfully ask that you pass this bill.

**East Kauai Water Users' Cooperative**

Jerry Ornellas, President

**HB-1405-HD-2**

Submitted on: 3/12/2019 8:53:17 AM

Testimony for WTL on 3/13/2019 1:20:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Brian Miyamoto	Testifying for Hawaii Farm Bureau	Support	Yes

Comments:





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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

March 13, 2019 1:20PM Room 229

**LATE**

**In SUPPORT of HB1405 with Amendments:** Relating to DLNR Budget

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Aloha Chair Kahele, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the WTL committee,

On behalf of our 20,000 members and supporters, the Sierra Club of Hawai'i **strongly supports HB1405 with amendments** to fund several programs of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

**Our recommended amendments are:**

- Additional funding to LNR 101 for the Climate Change Coordinator. This position is crucial to helping the state fulfill its commitments to abide by the International Climate Accord agreed to in Paris. We recommend a minimum of \$200,000 should be dedicated to the work of this position.
- Remove "County of Kaua'i" from LNR 404 for the environmental review of certain water permits. We note that SB223 is currently being considered by the House to transfer certain Kaua'i irrigation systems to the Department of Agriculture, which we support. In addition, other Kaua'i entities relying on water permits have capacity to fund their own environmental reviews. We support funding to the Water Commission to fulfill Chapter 343 requirements on behalf of water permit holders in the County of Hawai'i.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to provide testimony in **support of HB1405 with amendments.**

Mahalo,  
Marti Townsend  
Chapter Director