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**TESTIMONY OF PHYLLIS SHIMABUKURO-GEISER  
CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF AGRICULTURE**

**BEFORE THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2020  
8:30 A.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 312**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1654HD1  
RELATING TO AGRICULTURE**

Chairperson Creagan and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill 1654HD1, relating to feral swine control. The bill proposes to appropriate funds to the Department of Agriculture for fiscal year 2020-2021 for feral pig control, including: grants for fencing; grants for corral traps; and a program to reduce feral pig populations.

The department supports the bill's intent to provide funds for feral swine control and provides the following comments. Fencing and trapping are useful means to reduce the effects of feral swine on farms. The most effective use of these control measures is when they are integrated into a focused control program.

Design of a control program to reduce feral swine populations is best directed by other agencies such as DLNR and USDA APHIS Wildlife Services that have extensive experience with design and managing feral swine control programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.





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February 7, 2020

HEARING BEFORE THE  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

**TESTIMONY ON HB 1654, HD1**  
RELATING TO 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 1,800 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 1654, HD1**, 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.



# HAWAII CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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## TESTIMONY FROM THE HAWAII CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

In Support of HB1654  
RELATING TO AGRICULTURE

House Committee on Agriculture  
Monday, 02-07-20 8:30 AM  
House conference room 312

Chair Creagan, Vice-Chair DeCoite, and members of the committee:

The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association (HCIA) is in support of HB1654, which would appropriate funds to the Department of Agriculture for feral pig control.

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 has grown and extended beyond the wild and into urban areas.

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 and implement a much-needed control plan to limit the negative impacts produced by these animals.

HCIA respectfully requests that this committee vote in support of HB1654 to help local farmers protect their businesses and livelihoods.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Emmanuel Zibakalam  
Program 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.*

**HB-1654-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 1:17:26 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/7/2020 8:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Nicole K Galase	Hawaii Cattlemen's Council	Support	No

Comments:



February 5, 2020

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

**Support of HB 1654, HD1, Relating to Agriculture (Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture [DOA] for feral pig control.)**

**Friday, February 7, 2020, 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 utility companies. 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 1654, HD1.**

**HB 1654, HD1.** This bill proposes to appropriate funds to the DOA for feral pig control including grants for fencing and corral traps; and a program to reduce the population of feral pigs.

**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 1654, HD1 will assist local agricultural stakeholders by appropriating funds for the DOA in its efforts to control the population of feral pigs, including grants for fencing and corral traps; and the establishment and operation 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 1654, HD1** and respectfully urges your favorable consideration.

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

**HB-1654-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 9:34:57 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/7/2020 8:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

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**From:** Hiromichi Nago <emhawaii001@hawaii.rr.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:16 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice-Chair DeCoite, and members of the committee,

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** William Lydgate <wlydgate@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 4:52 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!  
Will Lydgate

Sincerely,

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**From:** Jerry Nishek <jerry@kauainursery.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 7:08 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** JIM BATES <JCBTKO@GMAIL.COM>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 8:55 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Jeffrey McCall <mccalljeffreyw@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 8:21 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Charles King <user@votervoice.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 12:31 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Mr. & Mrs. Gerrit Takasaki <user@votervoice.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:44 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**HB-1654-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 8:04:02 PM

Testimony for AGR on 2/7/2020 8:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As a native Hawaiian conservationist, I support HB1654 HD1. I have seen the damage feral pigs have on our forest resources. The appropriation of funds for feral pigs is severely needed. Please pass HB1654 HD1.

Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.

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**From:** James Gomes <jag@urmaui.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:12 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Brad Seymour <brad@seymourresourceshawaii.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:43 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** County Farm Bureau <jerrysfarmkauai@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 2:30 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Frederick Mencher <frederickmencher@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 11:07 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** GLENN TOYAMA <gtoyama67@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 12:10 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** John Gordines <gordines@kauaiflowers.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 11:16 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Kylie Matsuda-Lum <kylie@kahukufarms.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:16 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Sandi Kato-Klutke <skatoklutke@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:10 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** LUANA BECK <holuanaranch@yahoo.om>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 3:17 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Mary Offley <kathy808kauai@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 11:46 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Michelle Starke <robert.starke.007@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 2:44 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Nancy Zuluaga <nancyzuluaga@hotmail.com>  
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**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Randy Cabral <kaiwiki.1970@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:05 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Robert Paull <robertepaull@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:48 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Roy Asao <user@votervoice.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 3:05 PM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony!

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Stephanie Iona <user@votervoice.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 10:02 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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**From:** Susan Cabral <s.kronecabralW@gmail.com>  
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**From:** Michelle Gorham <michelle.gorham@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 7, 2020 7:24 AM  
**To:** AGRtestimony  
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**From:** Joni Kamiya <jonikamiya@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 5:20 PM  
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**Subject:** I support HB1654 HD1



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