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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Wednesday, January 24, 2024
TIME: 9:00 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 329
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street
 Via Videoconference

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A G E N D A

The purpose of this briefing is to educate the Committee and the public about the Maui Wildfire Exposure Study. A collaboration between the University of Hawai'i Economic Research Organization (UHERO), the College of Social Sciences, the John A. Burns School of Medicine, UH Cancer Center, and numerous community-based organizations such as Roots Reborn, Maui Medic Healers Hui, and Malama Kula, the three aims of this study are to:

1. Recruit and evaluate the socioeconomic and health conditions of those exposed to the Maui wildfires for a cohort study on community and health resilience;
2. Monitor the health and well-being of the wildfire-exposed cohort participants over the course of recovery; and
3. Develop and execute a data-informed dissemination strategy and toolkit to support current recovery efforts and build resilience against adverse impacts of future disasters.

More information about the Maui Wildfire Exposure Study can be found at www.MAUIWES.info.

The following persons and/or organizations have been invited to participate in this briefing:

1. Dr. Ruben Juarez, HMSA Endowed Professor, UHERO and Economics Department, UH-Manoa;
2. Dr. Alike Maunakea, Professor, John A. Burns School of Medicine, UH-Manoa;
3. Dr. Carl S. Bonham, Executive Director, UHERO
4. Veronica Mendoza Jachowski, Executive Director and/or Genesis Gil, Director of Latino Community Organizing, Roots Reborn;
5. Nikima Glatt, Medical Director and Noelani Ahia, Maui Medic Healers Hui;
6. Kyle Ellison, Executive Director, Malama Kula; and
7. Dayna Moore, Hawaii Health C.A.R.E.S. Hui & Alliance.

No public testimony will be accepted.



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Rep. Della Au Belatti
Chair

