

MAUI INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE

April 9, 2010

9am – 12pm

MISC HEADQUARTERS - PI'IHOLO
MAKAWAO, MAUI

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Welcome & Introductions (P. Bily, TNC)
 2. Announcements
 3. Approve Meeting Minutes
 4. Early Detection (ED)
 - a. Strategic Plan Goals & Objectives
 - b. USGS-PBIN Early Detection Program (E. Speith)
 - c. ED Surveys (Roadsides, Nurseries, Landing Zones) (F&K Starr)
 - d. ED Workshops (L. Fox, E. Speith)
 - e. ED: Little Fire Ant: surveys (F&K Starr) & classroom visits (W. Swee)
 - f. Weed Risk Assessment project (C. Chimera)
 - g. MISC Staff Capacity Development
 - h. Gaps in Early Detection / Next Priorities
 5. Next Meeting: June 4th – Plant Priority Setting
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GOAL 1: PROTECT MAUI NUI FROM THE HARM OF INVASIVE SPECIES.

Early Detection – Objective 1.1: New terrestrial invasive species are detected at the incipient stage of invasion – when control or eradication is still feasible.

Strategies:

1. USGS & MISC collaborate in implementing Maui-based early detection reporting system.
2. Survey Maui's roadsides, nurseries and botanical gardens during FY08.
3. Improve staff capacity to identify plant, vertebrate, and invertebrate species. Conduct biennial vertebrate identification training for Maui Nui natural resource workers.
4. Implement "Eyes & Ears" program to expand public's familiarity with target species.
5. Support public awareness of the statewide PEST hotline.
6. Increase MISC's awareness of on-island activities for other taxa (e.g., invertebrates). Identify gaps in early detection.

Performance Measures:

1. Public reports about invasive species via the state PEST hotline or directly to MISC increase.
2. Numbers of trained observers familiar with MISC targets and other identified incipient species.
3. Number of miles surveyed; number of new detections.