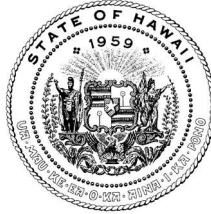


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December 1, 2022

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker
and Members of the House of
Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of Relating To the Game Management Advisory Commission report as required by Section 183D-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). In accordance with Section 93-16, HRS, a copy of this report has been transmitted to the Legislative Reference Bureau and the report may be viewed electronically at <https://files.hawaii.gov/dlnr/reports-to-the-legislature/2023/FW23-Game-Management-Advisory-Commission-Rpt-FY22.pdf>.

Sincerely,

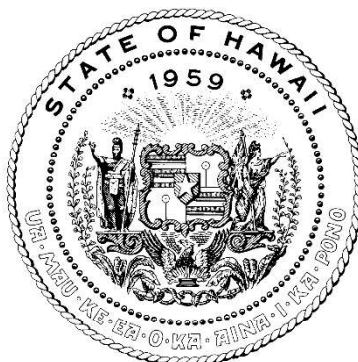
/s/ *Suzanne D. Case*

SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson

Enclosure

**REPORT TO THE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE
STATE OF HAWAI‘I
2023 REGULAR SESSION**

**RELATING TO THE GAME MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2022**



Prepared by:

THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE

In response to Section 183D-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes

Honolulu, Hawai‘i
October 2022

RELATING TO THE GAME MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

FISCAL YEAR 2022

PURPOSE

The Legislature finds that the enhancement and maintenance of sustainable public hunting opportunities for subsistence and recreational purposes are of critical importance to the State and its people. A coordinated resource management effort involving stakeholders is needed to prevent and offset the loss of public hunting areas and hunter opportunities on any island of the State and expeditiously find a replacement land for hunting.

Act 210, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2016, amended Chapter 183D, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), by adding a new section to establish the Game Management Advisory Commission to serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board). Section 183D-4.5, HRS, requires an annual report to be submitted by the Game Management Advisory Commission on its efforts, including a summary of its activities during the year preceding the regular legislative session for which the report was prepared.

The Game Management Advisory Commission is made up of nine members, including:

- (1) One member from the County of Kauai;
- (2) Three members from the County of Maui, with one member from each of the Islands of Maui, Lanai, and Molokai;
- (3) Two members from the County of Hawaii, with one member from East Hawaii and one member from West Hawaii;
- (4) One member from the City and County of Honolulu;
- (5) One at-large member; and
- (6) The Chairperson of the Board or the Chairperson's designated representative, who shall serve as an ex officio, voting member.

GAME MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETINGS

During the 2022 fiscal year, a total of three Game Management Advisory Commission meetings were held with a reduction of meetings due to COVID-19. Meetings were conducted on July 22, 2021, February 17, 2022, and June 28, 2022. Below are the agendas for the meetings: the minutes for these meetings are available on the Division of Forestry and Wildlife website at <https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/recreation/hunting/gmac/> .

July 22, 2021 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Meeting held via ZOOM

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Stan Ruidas —Lanai (Chair)
Nelson Rapanot—Molokai
Jason Sandorn—East Hawaii
Robert Masuda—Representative of the Chair of DLNR
Nancy Timko—Oahu (at-large)
John Terry—Oahu
Nicolai Barca—Kauai

AGENDA

- ITEM 1. Call to order, introductions of members, staff, and visitors; request for move-ups on the agenda.
- ITEM 2. **Action Required:** Approval of minutes from the February 18, 2021 GMAC meeting # 16.
- ITEM 3. Discussion on SB-1364 Wanton Waste
- ITEM 4. Hunting program discussion- Management plans and projects.
- ITEM 5. Discussion on Hunter Surveys
- ITEM 6. Determine the feasibility of creating a game management plan – Develop a SOW
- ITEM 7. A short report by each commissioner summarizing their meetings with DOFAW staff on the island that they represent. Commissioners to provide a list of hunting and wildlife issues for each island that includes priorities and changes each commissioner would like to see.
- ITEM 8. Set future meeting schedule and potential Agenda items
- ITEM 9. Announcements.

Adjournment

February 17, 2022 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Meeting held via ZOOM

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Stan Ruidas —Lanai (Chair)
Nelson Rapanot—Molokai
Nicolai Barca—Kauai
Robert Masuda—Representative of the Chair of DLNR
Nancy Timko—Oahu (at-large)
Nicolai Barca – Kauai
John Terry - Oahu

AGENDA:

- ITEM 1. Call to order, introductions of members, staff, and visitors; request for move-ups on the agenda.
- ITEM 2. **Action Required:** Approval of minutes from the July 22, 2021 GMAC meeting # 17. Link: <https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/recreation/files/2021/11/GMAC-Meeting-17-Minutes.pdf>
- ITEM 3. Axis Deer Emergency Proclamation Discussion

- ITEM 4. Overview of game bird release projects- Ohau and Kauai
- ITEM 5. Ungulate Research presentation- Derek Risch
- ITEM 6. Short report of game program activities – Jason Omick
- ITEM 7. Hunter Mentorship Program Discussion
- ITEM 8. Private Public hunting partnerships
- ITEM 9. A short report by each commissioner summarizing their meetings with DOFAW staff on the island that they represent. Commissioners to provide a list of hunting and wildlife issues for each island that includes priorities and changes each commissioner would like to see.
- ITEM 10. Set future meeting schedules and potential Agenda items.
- ITEM 11. Announcements.

Adjournment

June 28, 2022 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

DLNR, Kalanimoku Building Board Room
 1151 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu HI 96813

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Stan Ruidas —Lanai (Chair)
 Nicolai Barca—Kauai
 Robert Masuda—Representative of the Chair of DLNR
 Nancy Timko—Oahu (at-large)
 Nicolai Barca – Kauai
 John Terry - Oahu

AGENDA

- ITEM 1. Call to order, introductions of members, staff, and visitors; request for move-ups on the agenda.
- ITEM 2. Discussion on pig contraceptive
- ITEM 3. Bovine Tuberculosis -surveillance/response
- ITEM 4. Short report of game program activities – Jason Omick
- ITEM 5. A short report by each commissioner summarizing their meetings with DOFAW staff on the island that they represent. Commissioners to provide a list of hunting and wildlife issues for each island that includes priorities and changes each commissioner would like to see.
- ITEM 6. Set future meeting schedules and potential Agenda items.

ITEM 7. Announcements.

Adjournment