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Sustaining ranching communities in Hawaii PEA Committee Council of the County of Maui

Monday: July 17, 2017, 9:00am Council Chamber, 8th Floor 200 South High Street, Wailuku, Hawaii

Chair: Councilmember Yuki Lei Sugimura Vice Chair: Councilmember Stacy Crivello

Members of the PEA Committee

Good morning Maui County Councilmembers and thank you Councilmember Sugimura for bringing PEA 37 to the Council Floor.

My name is William Jacintho, President of the Maui Cattlemen's Association. The Maui Cattlemen's Association is an organization representing small and large livestock producers in Maui County including Molokai and Lanai.

We are in full support of any discussion to bring changes or ideas to Ranchers and Farmers, in order to survive in this challenging business. The Ag Working Group has worked many hours on the One Farm Plan idea, for all County Departments with Agriculture benefits and exemptions. The AWG have already begun conversations with Planning, Real Property and Water Dept.'s, to simplify the process both for the producer and the County Staff.

There is so much to discuss, and most of us are not sure how far discussions have already been made with Council. We are willing to be involved in the discussions, to contribute valuable information.

Yes there will be challenges with cheats, but please don't jeopardize the opportunity for those who truly are farmers, and rely on the benefits for survival. I understand there have been discussions on raising the \$1,000 income requirement. Attached is a County Summary Highlights, from the Hawaii Ag Statistics (HASS), which illustrates the amount of farmers that would be affected by changes to this amount.

Sincerely,

William Jacintho, President

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Table 1. County Summary Highlights: 2012

1tem	Hawaii	Hawaii	Honolulu	Kauai	Marui
Farms	7,000	4,282	999	591	1,128
	1,129,317	686,856	69,168	144,127	229,166
Average size of farm acres Median size of farm acres	1, 129, 317	160 6	69	244	225,100 203 5
Estimated market value of land and buildings: Average per farm	1,461,342	1,280,898	1,396,597	1,853,486	1,998,208
	9,058	7,985	20,171	7,600	9,836
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment	307,994	157,140	56,851	33,961	60,042
	43,999	36,698	56,908	57,464	53,228
Farms by size: 1 to 9 acres	4,412 1,752 480	2,610 1,141 326	743 162	348 156 42	711 293
50 to 179 acres	172 57 127	106 37 62	51 22 3 18	20 7 18	61 24 10 29
Total croplandfarms acres Harvesled croplandsarms acres	5,551	3,398	835	416	902
	174,042	72,028	22,200	30,236	49,578
	5,293	3,229	821	391	852
	99,031	57,807	(D)	6,800	(D)
Irrigeted landfarms acres	2,498	1,026	603	266	603
	81,813	6,966	10,776	22,523	41,548
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text)\$1,000 Average per farmdollars	661,347	247,245	161,488	64,514	188,100
	94,478	57,741	161,650	109,160	166,755
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops\$1,000 Livestock, poultry, and their products\$1,000	538,873	156,384	145,313	55,696	181,480
	122,474	90,860	16,176	8,817	6,620
Farms by value of sales:	2,130	1,307	221	222	380
Less than \$2,500	902	555	110	71	166
\$5,000 to \$9,999 \$10,000 to \$24,999	1,058 1,397 684	682 856 427	123 211 133	90 108 44	163 222 80
\$50,000 to \$99,999	323	195	74	17	37
\$100,000 or more	506	260	127	39	80
Government payments	628	353	61	96	118
	5,228	4,153	283	234	558
gross before laxes and expenses (see lext)	1,276	759	199	127	191
	36,663	10,251	12,975	4,676	8,761
Total farm production expenses\$1,000 Average per farmdollars	659,262	230,596	163,111	69,648	195,907
	94,180	53,852	163,274	117,648	173,676
Net cash farm income of operation (see text)farms \$1,000 Average per farmdollars	7,000	4,282	999	591	1,128
	43,976	31,053	11,636	-225	1,512
	6,282	7,252	11,647	-380	1,341
Principal operator by primary occupation: Farmingnumber Othernumber	3,642	2,062	862	309	609
	3,358	2,220	337	282	519
Principal operator by days worked off farm: Any	4,777	3,025	661	369	722
	2,598	1,571	456	218	353
Livestock and poultry: Catile and calves inventoryfarms	1,314	917	60	133	204
Beef cows	133,957	98,059	4,708	14,777	16,413
	1,173	829	45	121	178
	(D)	(D)	2,464	7,546	8,297
Milk cowsfarms Cattle and calves soldfarms	12 (D) 711	7 (D) 472	5 15 39	- - 82	
Hogs and pigs inventory	56,159 231	41,357 70	2,681 60	5,259 20	118 6,862 81
number	11,441	931	6,265	1,480	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold ,farms	131	30	43	7	51
Sheep and lambs inventory	12,529	1,508	(D)	(D)	2,403
	353	296	20	13	24
Layers inventory (see text)farms	21,921	(D)	403	(D)	687
	523	312	49	57	105
number Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	244,343	(D)	(D)	1,623	(D)
	22	11	7	2	2
	2,639	1,120	1,471	(D)	(D)
Selected crops harvested:	45				
Com for grainfarms acres bushels	5,198 5,198 367,142		7 (D) (D)	5 2,267 159,828	3 (D) (D)
Corn for silege or greenchopfarms acres tons	(D) (D)	1 (D) (D)	-	•	- -
Wheat for grain, allfarms acres bushels	•	` <u>.</u>	•		
Sorghum for grain	1 (D) (O)	-		1 (D) (D)	•
Sorghum for silage or greenchopfarms acres	(6)	=	=	(1)	

Table 64. Summary by Size of Farm: 2012 [For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text.]

	1	Total	1 to 9 acres	10 to 49 acres	50 to 69 acres	70 to 99 acres	100 to 139 acres
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms		7,000	4,412	1,752	164	123	
Land in farms	percent acres	100.0 1,129,317	63.0 15,471	25.0 36,080	2.3 9.091	1.8 10,171	13
Average size of farm	acres	161	4	21	55	83	
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS							
Total	farms	7,000	4,412	1,752	164	123	
Average per farm	\$1,000 dollars	666,575 95,225	77,281 17,516	114,239 65,205	17,327 105,654	45,075 366,467	67
Farms by economic class: Less than \$1,000 (see text)		1,178	620	383	43	38	
\$1,000 to \$2,499		860	663	153	15	5	
\$2,500 to \$4,999 \$5,000 to \$9,999		907 1,073 ⁸	687 846	146 161	21 15	14 7	
\$10,000 to \$24,999		1,408	978	324	11	14	
\$25,000 to \$49,999 \$50,000 to \$99,999		719 338	374 141	246 137	16	14	
\$100,000 to \$249,999		259	68	118	14 10	5 4	
\$250,000 to \$499,999		108	22	38	11	13	
\$500,000 to \$999,999 \$1,000,000 or more		70 80	9	31	4	1 1	
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999		44	4	15 11	4	8	•
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999 \$5,000,000 or more		15 21	-	2 2	-	11	
Total sales	1	7,000	4,412	1,752	164	420	
	\$1,000	661,347	76,240	113,360	17,192	123 44,962	7
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	farms	16	-	2		_	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000	152,930 13	-	(D)	•	-	
Corn	\$1.000	(D)	-]	-	
	\$1.000	16 (D) 13		2 (D)	-	-	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000	13 (D)	:	•	1	•	
Wheat	farms	(-)	-	•	-	-	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms			-	-	-	
Soybeans	farms	2	-	-	:		
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1.000 I	(D)		•	-	•	
	\$1,000	(D)	-	-	-	-	
Sorghum	\$1,000	(D)	-	- '	-	-	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000 i	-	-	:	-	-	
Bartey	farms	•	-	-	-	-	÷
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms	-	-	-	:	-	
Rice	farms (•		-	- 1	_	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000 farms	•	_	•	-	-	
Other grains, oilseeds,	\$1,000	•	-	-	-1	-	
dry beans, and dry peas	farms	. 1	-	-	-		
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms	(D)	:	-	-	- 1	
	\$1,000	-	-	-	-	-	
Tobacco		-	-	-	-	-	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000 farms	-	-	-	:	-	
Cotton and cottonseed	\$1,000 farms	-	-	• '	-	-	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000	- 1	-	-	-	-	
	\$1,000	-	_	:	-	-	
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	farms	965	648	254	25	10	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000	(D) 162	12,006 42	21,500	1,871	(0)	1
	\$1,000	63,433	(0)	19,219	1,517	(D)	
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	farms	3,215	2,310	720	52	33	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000 farms	151,821 240	20,843 28	23,666 112	12,251 21	6,604 20	
Fruits and tree nuts	\$1,000	122,394	2,326 2,310	13,867	11,686	6,492	
	\$1,000	3,215 151,821	20,843	720 23,666	52 12,251	33 6,604	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	\$1,000	240 122,394	28 2,326	112 13,867	21 11,686	20 6,492	
Berries	farms	-		- 1	- 1,550	-	•
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms		[]	-	[]		
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture,	\$1,000	•	-	-	-	-]	
and sod (see text)	farms \$1,000	1,437 79,867	1,071 29,463	312 39,153	19	9	
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms	242	120	104	2,010 6	1,590 }	

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