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February 20, 2019

Ms. Phyllis Shimabukuro-Geiser, Acting Chairperson Board of Agriculture Hawaii Department of Agriculture 1428 S. King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Via First-Class Mail and email: hdoa.info@hawaii.gov

Dear Acting Chairperson Shimabukuro-Geiser:

SUBJECT: MAUI INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE AND MOLOKA'I/MAUI INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE (EACP-17(2))

At its meeting of February 26, 2019, the Maui County Council's Environmental, Agricultural, and Cultural Preservation Committee will be receiving a presentation by the Maui Invasive Species Committee and the Moloka'i/Maui Invasive Species Committee regarding the status of their efforts to eradicate or mitigate infestations of Coqui Frogs, Little Fire Ants, Miconia, Banana Bunchy Top Virus, and other invasive species. Here is a link to the meeting agenda: <u>Link</u>.

May I please request that a representative of your Department attend this meeting to field questions regarding the inspection process used to deter the spread of invasive species in Maui County.

I would appreciate receiving your response concerning the availability of a representative to attend the meeting by **Friday, February 22, 2019**, if feasible. To ensure efficient processing, please include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Kasie Apo Takayama at (808) 270-7665, Carla Nakata at (808) 270-7659, or Nicole Siegel at (808) 270-8008).

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SHANE SINENCI, Chair

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