

From: "Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI" <Jolene.Lau@hi.usda.gov>
To: "Roberto Torres" <RJT@nrc.gov>
Date: Thu, Jul 28, 2005 2:23 PM
Subject: RE: Request for point of contact in USDA

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-----Original Message-----

From: Roberto Torres [mailto:RJT@nrc.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2005 9:10 AM
To: Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI
Cc: Yamamoto, Larry - Honolulu, hi; Cox, Sheila - Aiea, HI
Subject: RE: Request for point of contact in USDA

Please provide your address and office phone number.

>>> "Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI" <Jolene.Lau@hi.usda.gov> 07/28/05 2:03
PM >>>
Roberto,

Thanks for this info. For the week of August 8th, our State
Conservationist, Lawrence Yamamoto, is scheduled to be in Guam. I will
also be on work travel out of state. You all are more than welcome to
stop by our office to visit other staffers, let me know if you'd like
specific names/titles. On August 29th, we are scheduled to be with
Delegates from China. August 30th looks open right now, but August
31st, we have a scheduled press event on Maui. When you have the time
and location for your public meeting, please keep us in the loop.

With appreciation,

Jolene

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From: Roberto Torres [mailto:RJT@nrc.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2005 8:45 AM
To: Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI
Cc: Yamamoto, Larry - Honolulu, hi
Subject: RE: Request for point of contact in USDA

Jack Whitten, Branch Chief, and Anthony Gaines, senior technical staff, will be in Hawaii from August 8 through August 12, 2005 to meet with the applicant and local Federal and State officials (meet and greet type of meeting, nothing formal) in preparation for the first public meeting. We are planning to hold a public meeting in Hawaii around August 30 to gather questions from members of the public about this application. This is the first of probably three planned public meetings. Based on previous experiences, we know we are going to receive all kinds of questions. Questions outside NRC purview will be shared with the corresponding Federal, State or local agency to coordinate an answer and then respond to the stakeholders in subsequent public meetings. USDA is welcome to attend those public meetings either at the table/participant or just as part of the audience. The U.S. Geological Service in Hawaii just responded to me that they are going to attend the public meetings as part of the audience.

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>>> "Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI" <Jolene.Lau@hi.usda.gov> 07/28/05 1:27 PM >>>

Mr. Torres,

I agree that our customers may be interested. What role to you see NRCS playing other than outreach assistance?

Jolene

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From: Roberto Torres [mailto:RJT@nrc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2005 2:47 AM

To: Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI

Cc: Carol.E.Russell@aphis.usda.gov; vernon.harrington@usda.gov

Subject: RE: Request for point of contact in USDA

Jolene:

I'll call Vernon or Carol. However, one purpose of the irradiator is to irradiate any agricultural products (tomatoes, cucumbers, bell peppers, fruits) anything that can host a fruit-fly larvae. The other purpose is to kill bacteria. According to a local Hawaiian newspaper, Lyle Wong, administrator of the State Dept. of Agriculture's Plant Industry Division, stated that this project has the potential to open up new export markets for Hawaii produce that have quarantine restrictions on it because Hawaii has fruit flies.

(<http://starbulletin.com/2005/07/27/news/story3.html>)

I believe private landowners might be interested in knowing what is being proposed by Pa'ina Hawaii, LLC, and attend our public meetings.

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>>> "Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI" <Jolene.Lau@hi.usda.gov> 07/27/05 5:20 PM >>>
Mr. Torres,

Sorry I missed your call. I'm pretty sure you're thinking of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. You may want to call Vernon Harrington or Carol Russell at (808) 541-1980. Our agency works primarily with private landowners. If I can be of further assistance, please give me a call.

Jolene

-----Original Message-----

From: Roberto Torres [mailto:RJT@nrc.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2005 10:02 AM
To: Lau, Jolene - Honolulu, HI
Cc: Tony Gaines; Jack Whitten
Subject: Request for point of contact in USDA

This email is a followup to the message that I left in your voicemail (808-541-2600 Ext. 135). The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), RIV in Arlington, Texas, received a request from Pa'ina Hawaii, LLC, for the installation of an underwater pool type commercial irradiator. The proposed location is nearby the Honolulu airport (see attached press release). NRC Region IV needs to identify a point of contact in USDA Hawaii with whom we can share technical information (soil, fruit, etc.). NRC plans to conduct several public meetings and prelicensing visits in Hawaii during the construction phase. We also plan to meet with Federal (USDA, USGS, FDA), State, and local representatives in Hawaii starting in early August 2005.

Please identify a USDA point of contact via reply email to Jack Whitten, Branch Chief, Anthony D. Gaines, and Roberto Torres. Thank you.

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