State of Hawaii

Department of Agriculture

Honolulu, Hawaii

**AGENDA**

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON Monday

PLANTS AND ANIMALS October 2, 2023

MEETING 1:30 P.M.

**Place:** In person access with an Audio-Visual connection - Department of Agriculture Plant Quarantine Branch Conference Room

1849 Auiki Street

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***and***

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INTRODUCTION

III. REQUEST(S) TO BE REVIEWED BY COMMITTEE

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1. Request for: (1) A Finding that the Unrestricted Inter-Island Movement of Palm Plants in the Genera *Cocos,* *Livistona*, *Phoenix*, *Pritchardia*, *Roystonea*, and *Washingtonia*; Decomposing Plant Material Such as Compost, Wood or Tree Chips, and Mulch, Plant Propagation Media; and Other Items Comprised of Decomposing Organic Plant Material Such as Landscaping Material or Erosion Control Socks, to Prevent the Movement of Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle, *Oryctes rhinoceros*, From the Island of Oahu, Constitutes an Emergency Justifying Issuance of an Interim Rule; and

(2) A Finding that the Issuance of an Interim Rule to Restrict the Inter-Island Movement of Palm Plants in the Genera *Cocos,* *Livistona*, *Phoenix*, *Pritchardia*, *Roystonea*, and *Washingtonia*; Decomposing Plant Material Such as Compost, Wood or Tree Chips, and Mulch, Plant Propagation Media; and Other Items Comprised of Decomposing Organic Plant Material Such as Landscaping Material or Erosion Control Socks, is Required to Prevent the Spread of the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle, *Oryctes rhinoceros*, From the Island of Oahu to Un-infested Areas Within the State.

1. Request to: (1) Allow the Importation of up to Three (3) Plains Zebras, *Equus burchelli (Equus quagga burchellii),* Animals on the List of Restricted Animals (Part B), by Permit, for Non-Commercial Use in an Animal Sanctuary, by Three Ring Ranch, Inc.; and (2) Update Permit Conditions for the Importation of up to Three (3) Plains Zebras, *Equus burchelli (Equus quagga burchellii),* Animals on the List of Restricted Animals (Part B), by Permit, for Non-Commercial Use in an Animal Sanctuary*,* by Three Ring Ranch, Inc.

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