

Waimea Trails and Greenways

MEETING NOTES

November 7, 2005

PRESENT: Clem Lam, Avi Okin, Peggi Kamisato, Jim Lutter, Ben Discoe

1. Clem and Ben Discoe made a presentation to Parker School this morning to a group of about 7 faculty and administration to tell them about the trail and how Parker School fits into the overall trail system. they were very supportive of the idea with some concerns. They did not want the trail interfacing with their parking lot - the trail would go along the south side of the Lodge and thereby completely missing their parking lot. They would be in favor of a bridge over to the Waimea Center but were concerned about the public's access to their campus - this could be addressed with some kind of fencing and signage. They also did not want cars to be using the trail - we assured them that this was non motorized use only except for motorized wheel chairs.
Ben talked about the Parker School students who helped clear the trail in the Nature Park 3 weeks ago. The school would like to see more of that type of work project for their students.
2. We walked the trail where the trees were removed and trimmed behind Carter Center. The surface of the trail would need to be cleaned of debris from the trees - leaves, branches, etc but the way is very clear. There are large stumps cut very close to the ground but the ground slopes and the stumps make it hard to walk around. For a temporary footpath, Ben was talking about using wood chips.
3. Ben had cleared the ground behind Canada France headquarters where the trail is going and marked it in green tape. the trail looks good and he mowed in the Nature Park all the way to the UH ag station lot. The work students cleared all the way to the stream and cut a swath across the stream - Ben would like to use WT&G funds to hire labor to clear the trail in this area. We need to discuss this further because some people feel it may be a waste of \$ if the trail is cleared, no one uses it and it all grows back.
4. Avi has gotten all the signatures required for the revetment project behind Carter Center. His next step is to mail these letters out and get NRCS started. He said we will have to do the design - my understanding is that they were going to do it or the Army Corps of Engineers was to do it. This needs to be clarified.
5. Greg Mooers is working on the Ag station site and will work directly with Harry Yada on getting an easement rather than the UH.
6. Greg is also working on answering questions posed by Riley Smith on Parker Ranch concerns and requests for information.

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