

WAIMEA TRAILS AND GREENWAYS MEETING NOTES

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1. April 22 Earth day work party by HPA 7th graders was success - we had good participation, the students spread wood chips, cleared the stream of fallen trees and cleared a major blockage along the trail.
2. Web master - Ben Discoe has developed a domain name for the trail and is hosting the site. www.waimeatrails.org. Peggi will check to see how much it will cost to maintain and we approved paying for it out of our funds.
3. Laura is organizing the flyer response:
 - there are about 380 names of individuals and organizations
 - we will take out a full page ad
 - this will cost \$1500 to be split between PATH and WT&G
 - the message will mainly be recognition of trail supporter in the community
 - including PATH would be a positive feature of the ad.
4. Funds -
 - Work days cost about \$4000 to pay for advertising, food, gloves, etc. tee shirts.
 - seed money for the total build out would be 20% that can come from donated land value, volunteer hours, monetary donations.
 - If we get a large donation, we might want to talk to a financial advisor like Christy Crofter (sp?) or Todd Holdcroft at First Hawaiian Bank - he is also a PATH board member.
 - Kris Kopra's video - this might be something we could spend money on.
5. Parker Ranch
 - Parker Ranch was obligated to grant (in fee) 30 acres for a regional park to satisfy County requirements to develop their 20 20 plan.
 - They used 8 acres of this for W T & G.
 - When the grant was made, it was done as a revocable easement rather than a grant in fee.
 - We need to ask if this will have any consequences with obtaining federal funds - is the value of a revocable easement equal to a fee grant?
 - Is there any negative consequences because of the nature of the land holding?
 - First step is to ask Pat Phung these questions.
 - If there are negative consequences, we may want to ask the County to seek changing the status of the land that satisfied the requirement for development.
6. Big community work day. September was selected 3 years ago to avoid absences during summer.

by Clem Lam