

Molokai Irrigation System Advisory Board  
DRAFT Meeting Minutes  
August 21, 2023

1. Meeting was called to order at 3:06pm
2. Approval of minutes: Approved
3. Introductions/ Roll Call
  - a. Board Member present in person: Jill Coombs, Faith Tuipolutu, Oscar Ignacio (late), Harry Purdy (pending Boards and Commissions review)
  - b. Board Member present via zoom: none
  - c. D.O.A. Staff In person: Lance Kaneakua
  - d. D.O.A. Staff via zoom: Stephen Dalton, Janice Fujimoto
  - e. Guests: Steven Arce, Wilma Joy, Denise Kawano
4. Old Business:

Review minutes from last meeting- No quorum to approve minutes since only two Board members (Jill and Faith) were present during this portion of the meeting.
5. New Business
  - Proposed water rate changes:
  - Public Hearing tomorrow 5-7pm via zoom
  - Testimony may be e-mailed.
  - Testimony does not need to be received in advance.
  - Limit 2-minute time for verbal testimony
  - No Q and A session
  - Written testimony is due within 7 days.
  - Discussion over the financial necessity of the rate increase.
  - Financial reports show that MIS is operating in the black for the last 9 fiscal years.

Reports and Presentations

- A. System update – refer to attachment
- B. Capital Improvement:
  1. Waikolu Valley fiberglass walkway project. Prometheus work is in progress
  2. Water valve replacement by Goodfellow Bros. Project is almost complete. Some valves need to be moved to a new CIP because they require a permit.
  3. Corona Virus Recovery Funding
    - a. Repairs to sluice gate and lower diversion dam
    - b. Replace couplings on transmission pipeline, but there is not enough funding for this, so only some of the couplings can be replaced, not all.
    - c. Kualapu'u reservoir, contractor to mow slopes.
    - d. Replace gates
- C. Financial Report – refer to attachment
- D. Board Member Vacancies
  - a. All vacancies have been filled, waiting on confirmations

6. Announcements: The rate public hearing will be August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Testimony may be submitted online, due two weeks after the meeting. No in-person meetings will be held, only zoom.
7. Next meeting date: September 18, 2023 at 3pm at the Molokai base yard or zoom
8. Meeting adjourned 4:32pm

Sincerely,  
Jill Coombs

**MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM**

**Aug 21, 2023**

**Monthly Report**

Number of farm field visit to provide general assistance not related to meters ..... 1

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**Quarterly Report**

Period: July. to Sept.

Number of days without planned water delivery disruption (i.e. normal water delivery) .....0

Number of days of water restrictions for Homesteaders .....0

Number of days of water restrictions for non-Homesteaders.....0

Number of days without accidents or injuries: .....47

Percentage change in revenue and operating cost:

Pumps: off due to good flow

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**Semi-Annual Report.**

Period: July to December

Number of meters installed for Homesteaders.....0

Number of meters installed for Non-homesteaders.....0

Number of meters repaired or replaced..... 78

Average time between request for service and completion of service: .....approximately 3 months.

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**Annual Report.**

\_ Number and type of Capital Improvement Projects 2

Number of CIP projects in progress..... Pending

Percentage of brush cleared in Reservoir..... 40% cleared.

Percentage of gravel cleared in tunnel..... 95% cleared.

Financial Strength: ..... On time bill paying

Financial Weakness: ..... Delinquent account\Rising Fuel Cost\Pumps

Molokai Irrigation System  
Department of Agriculture  
Date: Aug 21, 2023

To: Molokai Water Users Advisory Board  
From: Lance Kaneakua (District Manager)  
Subject: System update

Molokai Irrigation Tasks

Aug 9, 2023 we check up the West Portal for any damages due to the high winds.

Aug 10, 2023 We flushed the distribution pipeline at the Ag Park and the Hoolehua area.

All daily/Monthly duties is on going for the month.

Kualapuu Reservoir level.....24.1/4 feet..... 571 ¼ million gallons stored.

Level at this time last year.....21 ¾ feet.

Reservoir average outflow.....1.755 MGD

Reservoir average inflow.....3.346 MGD

FINANCIAL UPDATE  
Molokai Irrigation System (MIS)  
August 17, 2023

MIS Financial Status, as of August 17, 2023  
Partially through Q1  
Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)  
MIS and Statewide Revenue

	MIS	Statewide
Acreage Assessments	\$5,595	\$36,614
Water	\$43,853	\$70,045
Interest/Other	\$5,616	\$15,503
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$55,064</b>	<b>\$122,162</b>

MIS Financial Status, as of August 17, 2023  
 Partially through Q1  
 Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)  
 MIS and Statewide Expenses

	MIS	Statewide
Payroll and Fringe	\$10,698	\$52,625
Electricity	\$42,150	\$60,324
All Other Expenses	\$6,414	\$26,080
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<b>\$59,262</b>	<b>\$139,029</b>
Difference from Revenue	-\$4,198	-\$16,867
Quarterly Allotment	N/A	\$333,962