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PI Technical Note Announcement PI-21

TO: All Pacific Islands Area Offices

FROM: Tony Ingersoll, Assistant Director for Technology, Pacific Islands Area

SUBJECT: New At-Risk Species and Habitats Lists and Removal of Four Hawaii Biology Technical Notes

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This announcement releases Biology Technical Note No. 22 – At-Risk Species and Habitats Lists.

The technical note includes lists of "At-Risk" animal and plant species and "Rare and Declining Habitats" for locations in the Pacific Islands Area. The locations are: American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Territory of Guam, and the State of Hawaii. The lists may be used for conservation planning purposes or to identify "At-Risk" species for NRCS conservation (Farm Bill) programs.

The technical note will be distributed to all PI employees via email and is available online @: <ftp://ftp-fc.sc.egov.usda.gov/HI/pub/technotes/>. All files distributed by this announcement are available for viewing and printing in the folder called "0_Tech_Note_Ann_PI-21_At-Risk_Species_Dec_2009."

Four Hawaii Biology Technical Notes have also been removed, as follows:

- Hawaii Biology Technical Notes HI-3 – Damselfly Maps; HI-4 – Endangered Native Snail Data for Oahu; and HI-6 - Forest Bird Maps have been removed because the data is available in the geodatabase.
- Hawaii Biology Technical Note HI-10 – Hawaii Natural Heritage Data Query Procedure, has been removed because it has been replaced by PIA Biology Technical Note No. 18 – Section 7 ESA Compliance Process

Contact. If you have any questions about the technical notes, contact Gregory Koob, PI State Biologist, PI State Office, via phone at (808) 541-2600 extension 109 or via email at gregory.koob@hi.usda.gov.

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List of documents released/removed:

| Documents | Explanation |
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| 1. Announcement PI-21 | New Announcement PI-21. |
| 2. PI Announcements Index | Revised Announcements Index dated December 4, 2009. |
| 3. PI Biology Technical Notes Index | Revised Biology Technical Notes Index dated December 4, 2009. |
| 4. Biology Technical Note No. 22 – At-Risk Species and Habitats Lists | New technical note. |
| 5. Hawaii Biology Technical Note HI-3 – Damselfly Maps | Removed. |
| 6. Hawaii Biology Technical Note HI-4 – Endangered Native Snail Data for Oahu | Removed. |
| 7. Hawaii Biology Technical Note HI-6 – Forest Bird Maps | Removed. |
| 8. Hawaii Biology Technical Note HI-10 – Hawaii Natural Heritage Data Query Procedure | Removed. |