NRCS-PIA LOCAL WORKING GROUP MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order: Date: **10/17/2019** Start Time: _____ End Time:_____ NRCS: **J.BAMBA** (initials)

Introductions:
- Introduction of Local Work Group (LWG) Members
  - Carol S. Tayama – SGSWCD
  - Margaret Aguilar—SGSWCD
  - Teddy Lee Concepcion –NGSWCD
  - Michael Aguon –SGSWCD
  - Roland Quitugua—UOG CE&O
  - Sereana Dresbach—UOG CE&O
  - Adrien Ares—UOG CNAS
  - Jesse Bamba—UOG CE&O
  - Kathrina S.N. Reyes—NGSWCD
  - Marlene Slomka—NGSWCD
  - Aaron Collins—USDA Wildlife Services
  - Jonathan Manglona—SGSWCD
  - Glenn Takai—SGSWCD
  - Pheobe Wall—UOG CE&O
  - Linda Reyes—SGSWCD
  - Angelita Mendiola—SGSWCD
  - Hope Cristobal—NGSWCD

LWG Policy
- LWG Power point Presentation by Bamba
- Reviewed USDA-NRCS LWG policy

Group Activity
- **Identified top 5 priority resource concerns. Results below are:**
  1. Soil Quality Limitations
  2. Pest Pressure
  3. Wind and Water Erosion
  4. Field sediment, nutrient, & pathogen loss
  5. Degraded Plant Condition and Fire Management

- **Identified 3 priority areas for Guam**
  1. Northern Guam Lens Aquifer
  2. UGUM Watershed
  3. Forest lands
• **General Discussion:**

1. Remediation of industrial polluted small farm soils around military industry; determination of percentage of loss of vegetation in preparation of farmlands & grading and clearance for industrial use. Biological controls, soil nutrients needs for Guam.
2. Guidance/support to access National Water Quality Incentive for UGUM Watershed
3. Transparency and proper collaboration with relevant agencies and cooperators.
4. Stoppage or prevention of soil degradation
5. Water quality elimination or prevention of chemicals in the water systems.
7. Pest pressure and water quality improvement/

**Participant Handouts** (check those provided):

___LWG Policy; ___Farmer’s Guide to Farm Bill Program; ___ RCPP___NWQI;___CIG;___PL-566__FY18 LWG Meeting Minutes
___PIA Brochure