

STATE OF HAWAII
LAND USE COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting
with Mr. Moragne
Grove Farm Co., Ltd.

Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii

2:00 P. M. - November 5, 1964

Commissioners

Present:

Myron B. Thompson, Chairman
C.E.S. Burns, Vice Chairman
Charles S. Ota
Goro Inaba
Shiro Nishimura
Robert G. Wenkam
Leslie E. L. Wung

Absent:

Jim P. Ferry
Shelley M. Mark

Staff

Present:

Raymond S. Yamashita, Executive Officer
Roy Y. Takeyama, Legal Counsel
Richard E. Mar, Assistant Planner

Mr. Moragne met with the Land Use Commission and discussed the Conservation zoning near the Kilohana Crater area. He mentioned that the present Land Use zoning was quite agreeable to him except for about 1,000 acres of potential cane lands near the Kilohana Crater. He felt that the Land Use Commission used the old forest reserve line as the boundary between the Conservation and Agricultural District. According to Mr. Moragne, the land is relatively flat and is not subject to erosion. The land is being used for agricultural purposes (grazing) and the Commission should zone it as such. Land Use boundaries should correspond to the actual land use. If the land is zoned for agricultural use, then the zoning would be correct since the agricultural zoning would be based on the use of the land. The land in question has been withdrawn from the forest reserve area and taxes have been paid on it accordingly, for many years. Further, experimental cane plantings on adjacent identical land, where slag had been mixed with the soil, increased yields by about two tons per acre. Also, there was some evidence that the addition of silica material increased yields.

After further discussion on the Conservation zone, Mr. Moragne suggested that the land area near the Kilohana Crater should be put in the Agricultural District. Mr. Moragne then took the Commission members and staff on a field trip to the land in question. Upon completion of the field trip, the Commission informed Mr. Moragne that it would be appropriate for him to submit an application for a boundary change.