# Identifying co-management practices in Hawaii

### Step 1

- Generate list of best management practices related to conservation from Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Pacific Island Areas and co-management literature
- Generate list of food safety practices from Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) resources and comanagement literature

### <u>Step 2</u>

• Reduce both lists of practices from Step 1 into one list, to remove those with low potential relevance to Hawaii agriculture or co-management with advising team

### <u>Step 3</u>

- Consult with agricultural professionals to "rank" practices with highest positive impact on both food safety and conservation
- Generate a venn diagram of practices identified to benefit food safety, conservation, and co-management

### Step 4

 Interview farmers and integrate advice/concerns/suggestions into the list of practices recommended for farmers in Hawaii

### Step 1 – Conservation practices

**Emergency Animal Mortality Management** 

Access Control Access Road Agrichemical Handling Facility Air Filtration and Scrubbing Alley Cropping Amending Soil Properties with Gypsum Products Amendments for Treatment of Agricultural Waste Anaerobic Digester Animal Mortality Facility Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) Erosion Control Aquaculture Ponds Aquatic Organism Passage Bedding **Bivalve Aquaculture Gear and Biofouling Control** Brush Management Building Envelope Improvement Channel Bed Stabilization **Clearing & Snagging** Combustion System Improvement **Composting Facility** Conservation Cover Conservation Crop Rotation Constructed Wetland Contour Buffer Strips Contour Farming Contour Orchard and Other Perennial Crops Controlled Traffic Farming Cover Crop Critical Area Planting **Cross Wind Ridges** Cross Wind Trap Strips Dam Dam, Diversion Deep Tillage Denitrifying Bioreactor Dike Diversion Drainage Water Management Dry Hydrant Dust Control from Animal Activity on Open Lot Surfaces Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces

Early Successional Habitat Development/Mgt.

Farmstead Energy Improvement Feed Management Fence Field Border Field Operations Emissions Reduction Filter Strip Firebreak Fish Raceway or Tank **Fishpond Management** Forage and Biomass Planting Forage Harvest Management Forest Stand Improvement Forest Trails and Landings Fuel Break Grade Stabilization Structure Grassed Waterway Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment Groundwater Testing Heavy Use Area Protection Hedgerow Planting Herbaceous Weed Control Herbaceous Wind Barriers High Tunnel System Hillside Ditch Integrated Pest Management Irrigation Canal or Lateral Irrigation Ditch Lining Irrigation Field Ditch Irrigation Land Leveling Irrigation Pipeline Irrigation Reservoir Irrigation System, Microirrigation Irrigation System, Surface & Subsurface Irrigation System, Tailwater Recovery Irrigation Water Management Karst Sinkhole Treatment Land Clearing Land Reclamation, Abandoned Mined Land Land Reclamation, Currently Mined Land Land Reclamation, Landslide Treatment

Land Reclamation, Toxic Discharge Control

Land Smoothing Lighting System Improvement Lined Waterway or Outlet Livestock Pipeline Livestock Shelter Structure Mine Shaft & Adit Closing Mole Drain Monitoring Well Mulching Multi-Story Cropping Nutrient Management Obstruction Removal On-Farm Secondary Containment Facility Open Channel Pond Pond Sealing or Lining, Concrete Pond Sealing or Lining, Compacted Soil Treatment Pond Sealing or Lining, Flexible Membrane Precision Land Forming Prescribed Burning Prescribed Grazing Pumping Plant Range Planting **Recreation Area Improvement Recreation Land Grading and Shaping** Residue and Tillage Management, No Till Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till Restoration and Management of Rare or Declining Habitats **Riparian Forest Buffer** Riparian Herbaceous Cover Road/Trail/Landing Closure and Treatment Rock Barrier **Roof Runoff Structure Roofs and Covers** Row Arrangement Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Saturated Buffer

Sedi	ment Basin
Shal	low Water Development and Management
Sho	rt Term Storage of Animal Waste and
Вур	roducts
Silvo	opasture Establishment
Spoi	il Spreading
Spri	ng Development
Spri	nkler System
Stor	mwater Runoff Control
Stre	ambank and Shoreline Protection
Stre	am Crossing
Stre	am Habitat Improvement and Management
Strip	ocropping
Stru	cture for Water Control
Stru	ctures for Wildlife
Subs	surface Drain
Surf	ace Drainage, Field Ditch
Surf	ace Drainage, Main or Lateral
Surf	ace Roughening
Terr	ace
Trail	s and Walkways
Tree	/Shrub Establishment
Tree	/Shrub Site Preparation
Tree	/Shrub Pruning
Und	erground Outlet
Upla	and Wildlife Habitat Management
Veg	etated Treatment Area
Veg	etative Barrier
Vert	ical Drain
Was	te Facility Closure
Was	te Recycling
Was	te Separation Facility (no)
	te Storage Facility
	te Transfer
	te Treatment
	te Treatment Lagoon
	er and Sediment Control Basin
	er Harvesting Catchment
	ering Facility
	er Well

Waterspreading
Well Decommissioning
Wetland Creation
Wetland Enhancement
Wetland Restoration
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
Woody Residue Treatment

#### 169 conservationfocused practices

## Step 1 – Food safety practices

Bird deterrent Birms to prevent runoff Cleared vegetation for bare ground cover Composting facility Conservation cover Constructed wetlands Correct application of amendment Cover crops
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Cover crops
Diversion
Effective composting handling
Fence
Grassed waterway
Handwashing
Invasive pest control
Minimize compost runoff

Minimize wind drift of compost
Monitor wildlife
No harvest zones (contamination)
Non-manure animal amendment
Non-poison traps
Owl boxes
Poison bait traps
Recordkeeping of amendments
Riparian restoration
Sanitary designated toilet
Sediment basin
Vegetative buffer
Visitor boundaries - access control
Water testing
Windbreak/dust control
Worker hygiene
Worker illness awareness

#### 33 food safety-focused practices

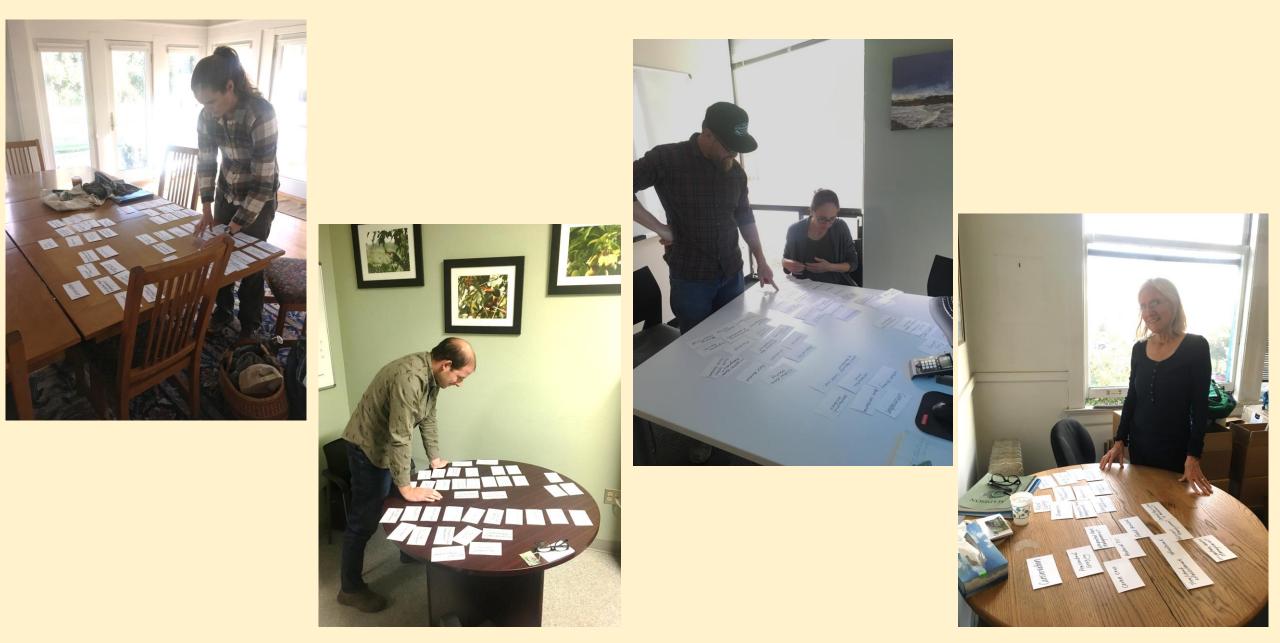
### Step 2 – Potential co-management practices

Access control - visitor boundaries			
Bird deterrent			
Berm construction			
Conservation cover			
Constructed wetlands			
Contour farming			
Correct application of amendment			
Cover crops			
Critical area planting			
Diversions			
Dust control from animal activity on open lot surfaces			
Fence			
Field borders/hedgerow			

Grassed waterway Integrated pest management Irrigation water management Minimize compost runoff Monitoring animal intrusion Mulching Nutrient management Prescribed grazing Recordkeeping of amendments Reduced tillage Tree/shrub establishments Vegetative buffer Water testing Windbreaks

27 practices

# Step 3 – Ranking practices with ag professionals



### Step 3 – Venn diagram of recommended practices

#### **Food Safety Practices**

- 1. Monitor animal intrusion
- 2. Water testing
- 3. Recordkeeping of amendments
- 4. Minimize compost runoff

#### **Co-management Practices**

- 1. Irrigation water management
- 2. Cover crops
- 3. Vegetative buffer
- 4. Correct application of amendment
- 5. Windbreaks
- 6. Field borders/hedgerow
- 7. Nutrient management
- 8. Integrated pest management

#### **Conservation Practices**

- 1. Tree/shrub establishment
- 2. Reduced tillage
- 3. Prescribed grazing
- 4. Conservation cover

## Step 4 – Interview farmer advisors

- Conducted in 2020
- Answers from participants were used in the final development of the seven suggested co-management practices:
  - Compost amendment
  - o Cover crops
  - Fencing
  - Grassed waterway
  - o Mulching
  - Vegetative barrier
  - Windbreak