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June 18, 2024

OWNER ADDRESS ADDRESS

RE: IMPORTANT DEDICATED AG NOTICE on Tax Map Key No.

Dear OWNER,

This letter is being sent to you as an owner, lessee or addressee of a property with a lower agricultural use value due to participation in the **Long Term Commercial Agricultural Use Dedication Program** (referred to as Dedicated Ag). This applies to parcels where either a portion of the parcel or the entire parcel is in the Dedicated Ag program.

Hawai'i County Council updated the requirements for the Dedicated Ag program which go into effect for all applications (including renewals) from September 2, 2024 forward, As of September 2, 2024, there will be three different agricultural programs:

- 1. Community Food Sustainability
- 2. Short Term Commercial Dedication 3 year dedication
- 3. Long Term Commercial Dedication 10 year dedication

Each of the three above noted programs have specific requirements and different benefits (mainly the lower agricultural use value per acre in active use).

On July 18, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., there will be a public hearing where an overview will be given regarding the Finance Director Rules & Regulations pertaining to the three agricultural programs listed. This meeting provides an opportunity for members of the public to testify on the proposed rules (via Zoom, in person or written). See the reverse side of this letter for the official public notice information.

To review a chart of the different programs, proposed Finance Director Rules & Regulations and application forms, please go to the following website: www.hawaiipropertytax.com

If you do not have access to a computer, please contact the Real Property Tax Office at (808) 961-8201 or (808) 323-4880 and the documents can be mailed to you.