

BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATING PERSONNEL IN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

MEETING AGENDA

Date: June 23, 2022

Time: 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Location: Kailua WWTP – Administration Building, 7A Training Room
and via Microsoft Teams meeting

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Gary Hutchinson, HWEA
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Jon Nakashima, County of Kauai
Kevin Nakamura, Private Sector
Maria Yamashita, Department of Health

Public Testimony

Written Testimony/comments – To ensure the public as well as the Board of Certification of Operating Personnel in Wastewater Treatment Plants members receive testimony in a timely manner, written testimony/comments should be submitted 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date and time. Any written testimony/comments submitted after this time cannot be guaranteed to be distributed in time for the meeting.

Written testimony may be submitted by one of the methods listed below:

- By email to: doh.wwb@doh.hawaii.gov
- By U.S. Postal Mail: State of Hawaii, Wastewater Branch, 2827 Waimano Home Road, Suite 207, Pearl City, Hawaii 96782

Members of the public are also welcomed to provide verbal testimony/comments at the stated above meeting location or via MS Teams when directed to do so. Public testimony is listed as Item B of the Agenda. Public testimony is limited to no more than three (3) minutes per individual.

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- Call to Order: Time - 9:30 am** **By – Robert Souza**
- Public testimony on agenda items
- Review minutes of the previous Board of Certification (BOC) meeting held on May 12, 2022.

D. Old Business

- a. Alicia Suzuki – Wailuku-Kahului WWRF (Re-review)
 - i. Approved for 0.1 CEU.

- b. Alicia Suzuki – Waimea WWTP Operations Process Control Seminars Exam (Re-review – See email)
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEU.

- c. Annie Smith – Level 2 Wastewater Operator Course (Re-review – See email)
 - i. Approved for 1.625 CEUs.

- d. Kimberly Reeder – Veolia – Wastewater Treatment Operator Training (Re-review)
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEUs.

- e. Sean Bartlett (Gr. 2) – CBT Application – Form 1 (Re-review)
 - i. Approved to take Grade 2 exam.

E. New Business

- 1. Review March Exam Results, if available before the meeting.

- 2. DRC Notification
 - a. Life Care Center
 - i. DRC notification acknowledge for Nelson Llanes III (Grade 2) as primary DRC and Jon Yamabe (Grade 2), Frank Rodrigues (Grade 4), and Steven Asselin (Grade 3) as secondary DRC for Life Care Center.

 - b. Hale Nani
 - i. DRC notification acknowledge for Nelson Llanes III (Grade 2) as primary DRC and Jon Yamabe (Grade 2), Frank Rodrigues (Grade 4), and Steven Asselin (Grade 3) as secondary DRC for Life Care Center.

 - c. Waikoloa Village WWTP-K Plant
 - i. DRC notification acknowledge for Gary Shiroyama (Grade 2) as primary DRC and Michael Nobriga (Grade 3) as secondary DRC for Waikoloa Village WWTP- K Plant.

- d. Waikoloa Village WWTP-A Plant
 - i. DRC notification acknowledge for Gary Shiroyama (Grade 2) as primary DRC and Michael Nobriga (Grade 3) as secondary DRC for Waikoloa Village WWTP- A Plant.
 - e. Waikoloa Resort WWRF
 - i. DRC notification acknowledge for Jon Kawamura (Grade 4) as primary DRC and Michael Nobriga (Grade 3) as secondary DRC for Waikoloa Village WWTP-K Plant.
3. Requests for Reciprocity
- a. None.
4. CEU Approval (Operators)
- a. John Kainoa – California State University, Sacramento – Water Systems Operation and Maintenance Video Training Series – Approved for 0.67 CEUs.
5. Request for CEUs (Courses)
- a. Kahikina Kaae-Whittle – HRWA – Lab Testing & Reporting
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEU per every 8 contact hours.
 - b. Kahikina Kaae-Whittle – HRWA – Field Sampling
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEU per every 8 contact hours.
 - c. Kahikina Kaae-Whittle – HRWA – USDA Water & Environmental programs
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEU per every 8 contact hours.
 - d. Kahikina Kaae-Whittle – HRWA – Environmental Due Diligence for Design and Construction (Dropbox)
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEU per every 8 contact hours.
 - e. Kahikina Kaae-Whittle – HRWA – Resilient, Adaptable, Liquid-Only Sewers (Dropbox)
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEU per every 8 contact hours.
 - f. Kahikina Kaae-Whittle – HRWA – Working Together for Clean Water
 - i. Approved for 1.0 CEU per every 8 contact hours.
 - g. Sienna Horton – UF TREEO Center – Wastewater Treatment Plant Operation, Class C&B; Volumes 1, 2 and 3

- i. Pending. Provide contact hours per each volume.
 - h. Emily Dong – Brown and Caldwell – Trickling Filter Solids Contact
 - i. Approved for 0.5 CEUs.
 - i. Alicia Suzuki – Kennedy Jenks – Aerobic Granular Sludge Technology
 - i. Approved for 0.125 CEUS.
- 6. Request for Temporary Certification
 - a. Randy Hanes, Gr. 3
 - i. Approved for temporary certification Grade 3.
 - b. Kimberly Kessler, Gr. 1
 - i. Approved for temporary certification Grade 1.
- 7. Plant Classifications
 - a. Puna Kai Shopping Center WWTP
 - i. To be scheduled.
 - b. 2,000 GPD WWTP for Nityakash LLC
 - i. To be scheduled.
 - c. Hokuli'a WWTP
 - i. To be scheduled.
- 8. CBT Exams
 - a. Review exam results between May 8, 2022 – June 20, 2022
 - i. Computer Exam:
 - (1) Grade 1 = 1/3 = 33% passing rate
 - (2) Grade 2 = 1/3 = 33% passing rate
 - (3) Grade 4 = 0/4 = 0% passing rate
 - b. Anthony Mccool, Gr. 2, Form 1 – Approved to take Grade 2 exam.
 - c. Connie Nagata, Gr. 1, Form1 – Approved to take Grade 1 exam.

- d. Gregory Jerves Jr., Gr. 4, Form 1 – Approved to take Grade 4 exam.
9. August Paper Exam
- a. Gregory Jerves Jr., Gr. 4, Form 1 – Approved to take Grade 4 exam.
10. Renewal Application
- a. Sidney Remiticado, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - b. Gilbert Bettencourt, Gr. 2 – Approved.
 - c. Betsy Wittman, Gr. 3 – Denied, USEPA-Intro to Cybersecurity workshop and Response Exercise (Virtual) is not approved by Board. approved by the Board. Needs 0.2 CEUs.
 - d. Alton Chandler, Gr. 1 – Approved.
 - e. Michael Nesbitt, Gr. 3 – Approved.
 - f. Jonah Napoleon, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - g. Victor Peltier, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - h. Piilani Watts, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - i. Travis Morita, Gr. 2 – Approved.
 - j. Jason Iinuma, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - k. Jeffrey Kafka, Gr. 4 - Pending.
 - l. Wendell Reyes, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - m. Kelekolio Taylor, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - n. Justin Clute, Gr. 4 – Approved.
 - o. Jeffrey Harris, Gr. 2 – Approved.
11. Other
- a. Adding a copy of Operator's most recent license to all exam applications.
 - i. Approved to add copy of license on exam applications.
12. Executive Session Discussion – An anticipated executive meeting may be held. The meeting may be convened for the purpose of discussing policies and procedures to maintain and increase consistency and efficacy.

F. Adjournment: Time - 2:00 pm By - Robert Souza

Next Scheduled BOC meeting: September 9, 2022 – Oahu – Pearl City

Next BOC Activity: WW Operator Examination – August 18, 2022, Paper Exam

Note: Any person requiring an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Sina Pruder (808) 586-4294 or sina.pruder@doh.hawaii.gov no later than 5 days prior to the meeting so arrangements can be made.