

RECORDS OF THE GOVERNOR'S AGRICULTURE COORDINATOR'S OFFICE

Introduction

The records of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinator's Office include subject files, correspondence, legislative testimonies, reports, and speeches covering the years 1971 through 1974. The files relate to agriculture diversification, planning and policy in the post plantation era.

Agency History

The Governor's Agriculture Coordinator's Office was created unofficially by executive action in 1971, and lacking statutory authority, did not have clearly defined responsibilities. The Agriculture Coordinator functioned as the Chairman of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinating Committee, formerly headed by Governor Burns' Administrative Assistants William Norwood and Myron Thompson. The Coordinator served as the Governor's special assistant for agriculture policy and planning matters and was responsible for implementing the State Agricultural Development Plan [Opportunities for Hawaiian Agriculture]. The Agriculture Coordinator reported directly to the Governor.

The Agriculture Coordinator consulted with members of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinating Committee, coordinated the research efforts of the College of Tropical Agriculture with the needs of private industry, analyzed research proposals, and participated in various committees and task forces such as the Punaluu Project, Kauai Task Force and the Kohala Task Force.

The Governor's Agriculture Coordinator's Office was staffed by the Agriculture Coordinator, a Research Analyst and a secretary. Toshio Serizawa was appointed to the position of Agriculture Coordinator. Malcolm MacLeod and Jane Terry were the Research Analyst and secretary respectively.

The Governor's Agriculture Coordinator's Office terminated on August 15, 1974 following the resignation of Toshio Serizawa in June 1974.

Related Record Groups

Department of Agriculture 1960-1971

Records of Governor Burns - Executive - Governor's
Committees; Boards; Small Commissions - Agriculture
Coordinating Committee

Series Descriptions

- 29 General Records of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinator.
June 1971 - August 1974. 10.5 linear inches.

Organized in five subseries: Administrative, Legislative, Minutes of meetings, Outgoing letters, and Speeches and Conferences.

Records in the Administrative file relate to the establishment, internal functioning and dissolution of the Office. The Legislative files consist of staff reports, drafts of legislation and testimonies related to agriculture and land use planning. Minutes of meetings contain an incomplete set of minutes to the Agriculture Coordinating Committee meetings. Outgoing letters consist of letters and memoranda from the Governor's Agriculture Coordinator, the Research Analyst and the office secretary. Principal correspondents include the Governor, State and County agencies and members of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinating Committee. Other documents found in the Outgoing Letters include announcements and agendas of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinating Committee meetings and reports related to the preservation of agriculture and land development in the post plantation era. Speeches and conferences contain conference materials and speeches given by the Agriculture Coordinator.

- 30 Agriculture Development Files. June 1971 - August 1974.
2.1 cubic feet.

Arranged alphabetically by subject.

Subject files consist of correspondence, informational copies of meeting minutes, copies of reports, copies of legislation, newspaper clippings, reprints and pamphlets. Relates to agriculture diversification, agriculture task forces, preservation of agriculture lands and land use planning.

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Container List

Box 1

- 29 **General Records of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinator**
Administrative 1971-1974
Agriculture plan notes
Legislative Bills 1972
Legislative Bills 1973
Legislative Bills 1974
Legislative Hearings: Mr. Serizawa's testimonies 1972
Legislative Hearings: Testimonies 1972 (2 folders)
Minutes of Meetings August 1971-May 1972 Governor's Agriculture
Coordinating Committee
Outgoing Letters 1971-1972
Outgoing Letters 1972-1973
Outgoing Letters 1973-1974
Speeches and Conferences 1971-1972
Speeches and Conferences 1973
Speeches and Conferences 1974

- 30 **Agriculture Development Files**
Agriculture 1972-1974 (2 of 4 folders)

Box 2

- 30 **Agriculture Development Files**
Agriculture 1972-1974 (2 of 4 folders)
Agriculture Parks Project 1972-1974
College of Tropical Agriculture 1971-1972
College of Tropical Agriculture 1973-1974
Department of Agriculture 1971-1972 (2 folders)
Department of Agriculture 1973-1974
Department of Planning and Economic Development 1972-1974
Expansion of Hawaiian Agriculture Market 1971-72
Freight Rate 1971-1973
Fuel Storage 1973
Hawaiian Home Lands Project 1971-1972
Kahuku Project 1971-1972 (2 folders)
Kauai Task Force 1971-1973
Kauai Task Force 1974
Kohala Project 1971-1972 (1 of 3 folders)

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Box 3

- 30 **Agriculture Development Files**
Kohala Project 1971-1972 (2 of 3 folders)
Kohala Project 1972-1974
Land Use Planning - Hawaii (State) 1971-1973
Land Use - Hawaii (Island) 1971-1973
Land Use - Kauai 1971-1973
Land Use - Lanai 1971-1973
Land Use - Maui 1971-1972
Land Use - Oahu 1972-1974
Land Use - Population dispersal 1971-1972
Land Use - Taxation 1972
Livestock 1971-1974 (4 folders)
Loans, Credit, Banking, Grants 1971-1973
Local Corporations 1971-1974
Marketing 1971-1972
Metcalf Farms 1974
Miscellaneous Projects 1972-1973
Pesticides and Plant Disease 1971-1972
Poamoho Project 1972
Preservation of Agriculture and Agriculture Lands 1971
Preservation of Agriculture and Agriculture Lands 1972-1974
Proposal to Amend the Land Use Law 1973
Punaluu Project 1974
Vacuum Cooling Plant and Storage Sheds 1971-1972

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