Regulations, training, protocols and other how to’s
Do you need to submit a protocol?

- Vertebrate research
- Maintaining in the lab
- Collecting in the field
- Mark/recapture
- Tissue collection
- Euthanizing vertebrates
- Observational studies/no manipulation
- Tissue only/dissecting previously euthanized animals
Procedures

• [www.hawaii.edu/ansc/IACUC](http://www.hawaii.edu/ansc/IACUC)

• Citi: Animal care and use training
  – Online training, courses specific to your research
    – Look at the catalogue at [www.citiprogram.org](http://www.citiprogram.org) under Courses, and Animal Care And Use link to determine which courses are appropriate for your research
    – Often, animal-specific courses are the only required courses
Procedures (cont)

• TOPAZ: request user account log-in
  – Form to print, fill out and send to Denise Yee
deniseye@hawaii.edu (primary IACUC contact)
  – Create protocol
  – Review process takes 4-5 weeks
  – Protocol is valid for 1 year, but can be renewed annually
  – For any changes to protocol, you must submit an Amendment
Important protocol information

• All personnel on protocol must go through appropriate training courses
• Review policies and guidelines (link on IACUC home page)
  – These policies change often and only updated policies are accepted on protocols (e.g. capture methods, euthanization methods)
When a protocol is approved

• Pre-protocol inspection of lab space
• Semi-annual inspections:
  – Veterinarians, various personnel on IACUC committee
• Other paperwork required:
  – Disaster Plans for animal housing facility
  – Reports of any unintentional animal death
Questions??