

The Hawai'i Association of Watershed Partnerships

comprises **11** island-based **Watershed Partnerships** that work collaboratively with more than **71 public & private partners** on **6 islands** to protect over **2.2 million acres** of vital forested watershed lands.



Watershed Partnership

Success: 392,000 acres actively managed for feral ungulates and destructive invasive species;
76,000 acres of protective forest fences constructed and managed to control feral ungulates; Over **19,000 native & endangered species** planted in Fiscal Year 2013 alone for forest restoration;
Creating & supporting local jobs & businesses since 1991.

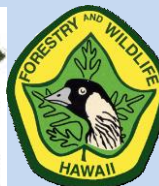
Mission: *To increase the effective management and protection of mauka watershed areas by raising the capacity of watershed partnerships, facilitating sharing of watershed management expertise, building public support for protecting watershed values, and developing sustainable funding sources.*



For more information, visit:

<http://www.hawp.org>

<http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/ecosystems/wpp>



Hawai'i's Watershed Partnerships



Hawai'i must protect our watersheds because they:

- Recharge water supplies
- Protect public health
- Control erosion & runoff
- Mitigate flooding
- Create jobs & Bring in federal funds
- Supply culturally important plants for hula, crafts, and medicine
- Serve as educational laboratories and places of recreation
- Create eco-tourism opportunities
- Mitigate the effects of climate change
- Provide homes for plants and animals unique to Hawai'i

