## Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves

## Management Plan

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This management plan for Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves on Kaua'i is one in a series of site-specific natural resource management plans to be prepared by the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) for individual forest reserves in the State of Hawai'i. These plans present a brief history of the specific forest reserve, a complete record of land transactions and boundary changes over time, a description of cultural and natural resources, as well as an account of infrastructure and intended use(s) of the area. These plans serve to: (1) assist in preparation of regulatory compliance documents required to implement management actions outlined in the plan; (2) support DOFAW efforts to secure funding for plan objectives; (3) prioritize implementation of management objectives; (4) solicit requests for proposals or bids to implement plan objectives; and (5) inform the public of short and long-term goals.

Nounou Forest Reserve was established by Governor's Proclamation in 1918 for the purpose of protecting the spring and to reforest the ridge. Kālepa Forest Reserve was established by Governor's Proclamation in 1944, also for the purpose of reforestation. There was very severe erosion occurring on the windward side of the ridge. Currently, both reserves are generally characterized by steep, lower-mesic forested slopes. Vegetation is primarily non-native species, although there is some native vegetation in the upper areas.

DOFAW's current management activities within Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserve are rare plant protection and maintenance of Nā Ala Hele trails.

Management priorities were divided into eight categories and ranked on a qualitative basis (see Table 7 on page 27). Summaries of management priorities and goals for the Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves are as follows:

- 1. Watershed Values Erosion reduction and prevention; Monitoring forest composition.
- 2. Resource Protection Reduce impact of fire, insects and disease on forest resources.
- 3. Other Public Activity Acquire and secure additional management and/or public access.
- 4. Threatened and Endangered (T&E) Species Management Protection and recovery of rare and endangered plants and animals.
- 5. Invasive Species Control Manage incipient and established invasive plants and animals.
- 6. Native Ecosystems Determine landscape level needs; Native ecosystem restoration.
- 7. Game Animal Management Promote public hunting through Chapter 122 & 123, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR).
- 8. Commercial Activity Generate income from commercial activities in the reserves.

Details of specific tactical goals and action items can be found in Table 8 on page 27 of this plan. This plan is intended to describe short-term resource management planning and implementation strategies, as well to serve as a basis for future updates and modifications to accommodate evolving or additional objectives such as additional fencing projects and/or improving access and facilities for Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves.

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# NOUNOU AND KĀLEPA FOREST RESERVES MANAGEMENT PLAN SIGNATURE PAGE

Kaua'i District certification: This plan was prepared by a team of Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) staff to provide a management framework for Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves.

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Galen K. Kawakami – DOFAW Kaua'i Branch Manager	Date

DOFAW Administrator's approval: I have reviewed the enclosed Forest Reserve Management Plan and concur with the recommendations herein. I agree that resource management implementation will follow those specified in the Management Plan for Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves.

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Galen K. Kawakami – Acting DOFAW Administrator

8/28/20/5
Date

Department of Land and Natural Resources Board approval: This plan is in accordance with the mandates of the State Forest Reserve System which includes Chapter 183, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, and Chapter 13-104, Hawai'i Administrative Rules.

Suzanne B. Case – BLNR Chairperson

Approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources at its meeting held \$\\ \( \frac{8}{2} \)\ \( \frac{5}{2} \)\, 2015

### DEVELOPMENT PROCESS TIMELINE

Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves, Kauaʻi

Stage of Development	Date Achieved	Comments
Branch review	October 2013	Incorporated
DOFAW review	January 2015	Incorporated
Partner agency consultation	March 2015	Incorporated
Public consultation	May 2015	Incorporated
DOFAW approval	August 2015	None
BLNR approval	August 2015	None

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The Division of Forestry and Wildlife conducts on-going planning efforts to develop and update management plans for all forest reserves across the State. These efforts, to be generally consistent across the State, serve to organize field management, assist in budgeting and funding concerns, and make the process transparent for partner organizations and the public. These plans also help to fulfill certain recommendations made in the Hawai'i Tropical Forest Recovery Action Plan, which came about as a result of the 1992 Federal Hawai'i Tropical Forest Recovery Act.

Each Branch office of DOFAW will have a comprehensive management plan that addresses overall Forest Reserve System issues, goals and objectives for that Branch. In addition, management plans will be developed for each individual forest reserve, which will in part reflect the Division's management guidelines specific to that area. This document represents the management plan for the Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves, which fits under the comprehensive forest reserve management plan for Kaua'i Branch. It addresses concerns and strategies only on the public lands within Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves.

This management plan for the Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves was developed using a variety of methods. Initial development consisted of reviewing and analyzing DOFAW historic and current files (both at the Administrative and Kaua'i Branch office), and documents obtained from other State agencies including the Department of Land and Natural Resources Land Division and Bureau of Conveyances, the Department of Accounting and General Services Survey Division, as well as the State Archives. State of Hawai'i Geographic Information Systems (GIS) map layers relating to biological, historical, and environmental resources were referenced extensively to develop this plan. Additional resources utilized for the development of this plan (including other plans that identified the Forest Reserves or the general area), were the Hawaiian Forester and Agriculturalist, the Hawai'i Biodiversity and Mapping Program, Hawai'i Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Recovery Plans and others. The plan then evolved into its final iteration through discussions with Division staff from all program areas, both at the Branch and Administrative offices, other Divisions and State agencies, DOFAW partners, and the public.

Once finalized by DOFAW, this Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves Management Plan will be submitted for review and approval by the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board). If approved by the Board, the following actions may be triggered:

- 1. Preparation of regulatory compliance documents as required for implementation of management actions as outlined in the plan.
- 2. DOFAW efforts to secure operational and planning funding for plan objectives.
- 3. Prioritized implementation of plan objectives by DOFAW.
- 4. Periodic solicitation of requests for proposals or bids for implementation of plan objectives, including issuance of permits, licenses, or contracts, as necessary.

#### II. NOUNOU AND KĀLEPA FOREST RESERVES DESCRIPTION

A. Location and Description: Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves (FR) together comprise approximately 1,393 acres of public land (Tables 1 and 2), and are located on the eastern side of Kaua'i (Figure 1). Nounou FR lies to the north of Kālepa FR, separated by the Wailua River which is part of the Wailua River State Park. Nounou FR is bordered by privately owned land on its western and northeastern boundaries, and bordered by other State land on its southern and southeastern boundaries. Kālepa FR is primarily surrounded by other State lands except for the south and southeastern corner. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) owns much of the land that abuts the makai side of Kālepa FR, and it may eventually be developed. The County's proposed site for a new landfill is adjacent to the western boundary of Kalepa FR.

These forest reserves are on the windward side of Kaua'i and are generally characterized by steep, lower- mesic forested slopes. Vegetation is primarily composed of non-native species, although some native vegetation still exists in the upper portion of the reserves. The communities served by these forest reserves include Kapa'a, Wailua Houselots, Wailua Homesteads, Waipouli, Kapaia, and Hanamā'ulu.

**Table 1.** Government Tax Map Key (TMK) parcels currently comprising public lands of Nounou Forest Reserve. Some TMKs have areas both inside and outside the FR boundary.

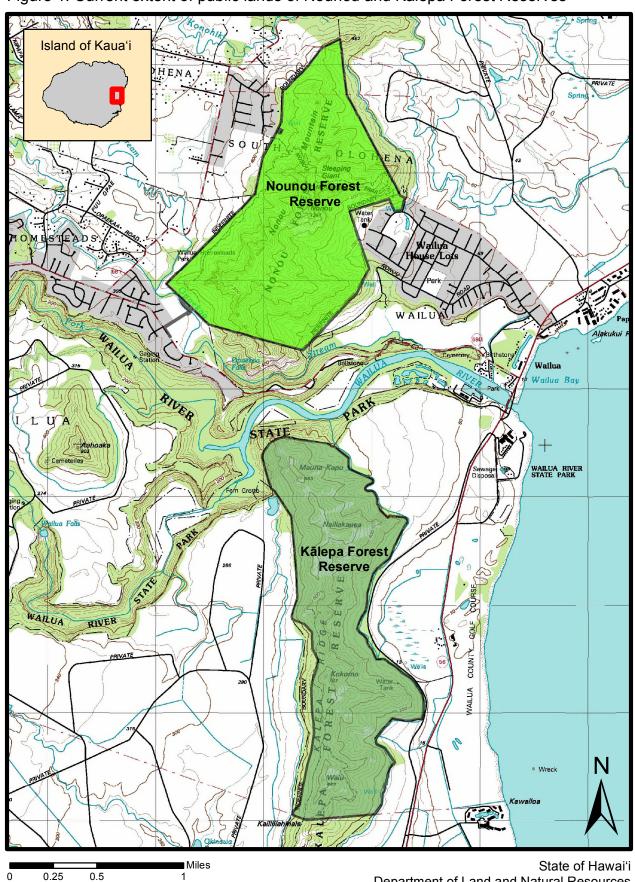
TMK	Owner	Tax Acres	GIS Acres	<b>GIS Forest</b>
Number	Owner	(entire TMK)	(entire TMK)	<b>Reserve Acres</b>
442004001	State of Hawai'i	722.33	719.17	718.90
441012011	State of Hawai'i	1.05	1.05	1.05
441012012	State of Hawai'i	1.16	1.17	1.17
441012013	State of Hawai'i	1.17	1.17	1.17
			TOTAL	722.29

**Table 2.** Government Tax Map Key (TMK) parcels currently comprising public lands of Kālepa Forest Reserve. Some TMKs have areas both inside and outside the FR boundary.

TMK Number	Owner	Tax Acres (entire TMK)	GIS Acres (entire TMK)	GIS Forest Reserve Acres	
439002014	State of Hawai'i	678.59	708.63	670.35	
			TOTAL	670.35	

**B.** Geographic Site Data: Kaua'i is the oldest of the main Hawaiian Islands and was formed approximately five million years ago by at least one extinct volcano (Juvik and Juvik 1998). A second, smaller volcano may have formed the southeast part of the island, but erosion, weathering, landslides, and rejuvenated flows have made it difficult to ascertain the island's history. An enormous caldera complex and the lack of rift zones make the geology of Kaua'i unique among the Hawaiian Islands. Kaua'i is known for its deeply weathered mountains and associated landscapes (e.g. Waimea Canyon and the Nāpali coast) and its wet climate. Kawaikini peak is the highest point on Mount Wai'ale'ale. With an annual rainfall of over 390 inches, was once one of the wettest places on Earth.

Figure 1: Current extent of public lands of Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves



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The Līhu'e basin on the east side of Kaua'i is a large semicircular depression bounded by steep cliffs. The Lihue Depression is believed to have been formed by a collapse of the Napali Formation and was subsequently filled by late-rejuvenated-stage volcanic material. The Nounou and Kālepa ridges are remnants of the original Napali Formation on the eastern side of the collapse (Reiners et. al., 1999).

C. Physical Site Data: Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves currently occupy lands in the ahupua'a of Waipouli, North and South Olohena and Wailua. Elevation and rainfall vary through the reserves. The highest elevation reaches up to approximately 1,200 feet, and lower regions slope down to below 100 feet. Average precipitation is approximately 50-60 inches annually (Figure 2). Rainfall received in the Nounou and Kālepa FRs charges two aquifers: Wailua and Hanamā'ulu. Soils in both reserves are predominantly classified as Highly Erodible Land as defined by the United States Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service. This agency provides online soil maps and data at <a href="http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/HomePage.htm">http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/HomePage.htm</a>.

The dominant feature of Nounou FR is Nounou Mountain (Sleeping Giant). Kālepa FR contains all or part of the following features: Maunakapu summit, Nā'ilia Ka'auea lookout, Kālepa ridge, Kokomo summit, and Waiū summit.

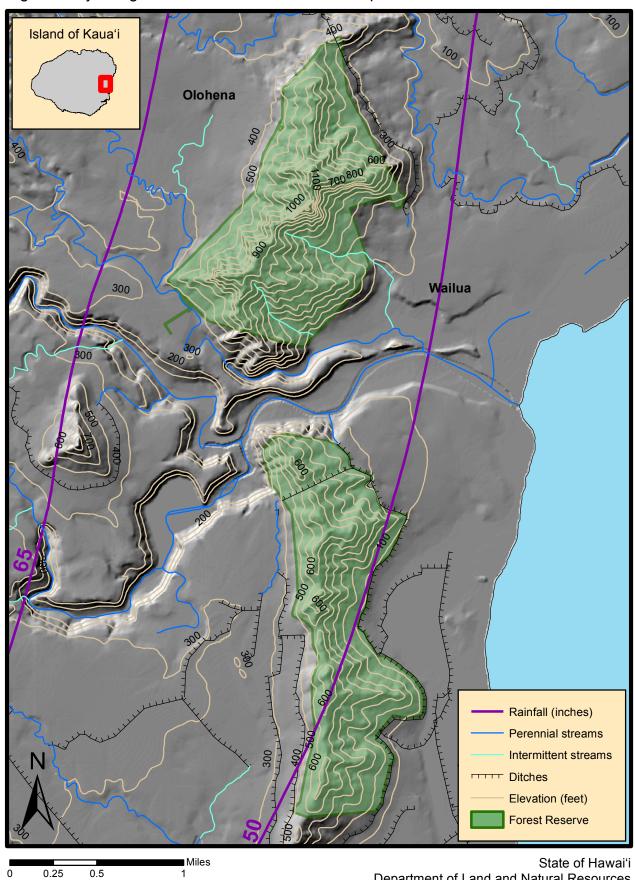
<u>D. Pre-Reserve and Early Use History</u>: Both forest reserves were created by Governor's Proclamation; Nounou in 1918 and Kālepa in 1944. Over the years, the boundaries of both reserves have undergone changes (Tables 3 and 4, Figure 3).

#### Nounou

According to a report that preceded the 1918 Governor's Proclamation, Nounou FR was created to protect the remaining forests, a small stream, and several springs on the leeward side of the ridge. Boundaries were drawn with the intent to "include only the steeper slopes and in such a manner that a minimum of fencing for its protection will be required." The report also states that, "In the early days the whole ridge was undoubtedly covered with a heavy forest of koa, sandalwood, kukui, hala, and other indigenous trees which occupy similar situations, but the inroads made by cattle and fire have driven the forest back to the inaccessible parts of the ridge," (Judd 1918, p. 485). At the time of its designation as a forest reserve, the intent was to reforest the entire ridge, to capture water from the "moisture laden wind coming off of the ocean," (Judd 1918, p. 485). Mylar maps of tree plantations made from aerial photography document that by 1966, approximately 303 acres had been reforested in Nounou FR (Klingensmith 1967).

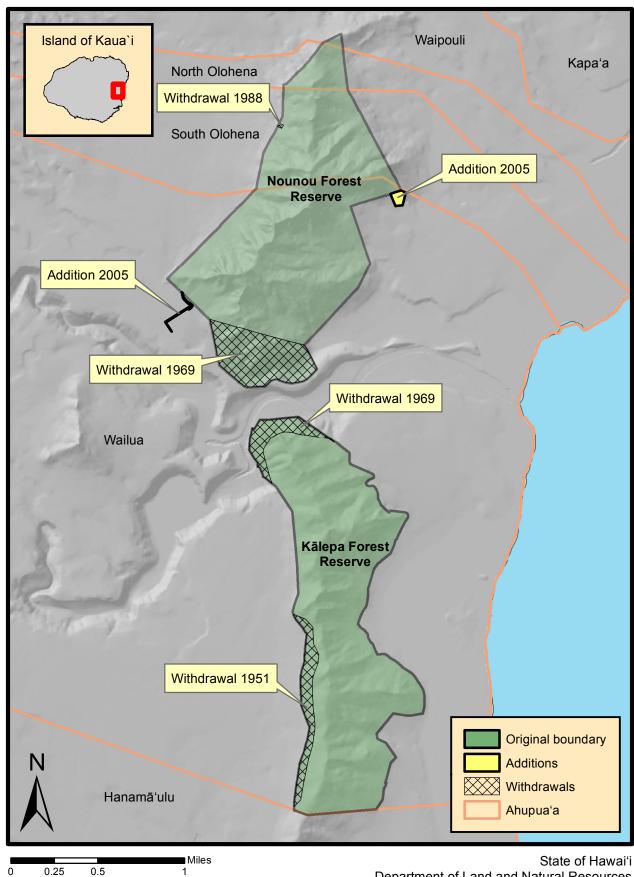
In 1975, the Division of Forestry identified the need for acquisition of land to provide public access to Nounou FR from Kuamo'o Road. On April 27, 1979, the Board of Land and Natural Resources authorized the acquisition of a perpetual non-exclusive easement by negotiation or by condemnation if necessary and the assignment of the easement to the Division of Forestry upon completion of the acquisition. The Final Order of Condemnation was issued on January 6, 1986, for portions of land located within TMK (4) 4-2-003:012 and (4) 4-2-003:065, marking the first successful effort by the State to condemn land needed to complete a trail and open access

Figure 2: Hydrological features of Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves



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Figure 3: Historical changes to public lands in Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves. Year of addition/withdrawal and ahupua`a indicated.



through a forest reserve. The easement was purchased from Hale Kauai, Ltd., for \$32,000. On May 5, 1989, DOFAW officially opened the new State forest reserve trail and bridge.

#### Kālepa

Prior to it becoming a forest reserve, the northern half of Kālepa ridge was government land and the southern half was owned by Lihue Plantation Company, Ltd. In 1925, the Territorial Government of Hawai'i leased the northern half to Lihue Plantation Company, Ltd., giving the company access to the entire ridge. The area was primarily used for the grazing of animals and was surrounded on the east and west by the sugarcane fields of Lihue Plantation.

In 1940, the general lease for north Kālepa expired, and in 1944, the Lihue Plantation Company, Ltd., surrendered the care, custody and control of south Kālepa ridge (193.5 acres) to the Territory for forest reservation purposes. The Agreement of Surrender lasted for a period of 20 years, and in return, the company was exempt from paying property taxes for the surrendered land.

At the time of its designation as a forest reserve, Kālepa ridge was described by Territorial Forester C. S. Judd, as being covered primarily with short grass and was severely eroded on the windward side. The intent was to reforest the ridge to mitigate for the erosion. By 1966, the Division of Forestry planted almost 171 acres of private and government lands in Kālepa FR with non-native tree plantations (Klingensmith 1967). Efforts were concentrated around the perimeter of existing scars and eroded areas that still had sufficient soil to support vegetative growth.

In 1977, the State botanist conducted a vegetation survey of northern Kālepa ridge. On page one of her report Carolyn Corn states that, "The vegetation is composed mostly of introduced exotics and a few remnant native species." She also documented that soon after Kālepa ridge was converted into forest reserve, Indian sandalwood (*Santalum album*), ironwood (*Casuarina sp.*), and brush box (*Lophostemon confertus*) were planted (Corn 1977).

**Table 3:** Summary of public land additions and withdrawals (A/W) for Nounou FR. See Figure 3 for map descriptions. Portions of TMKs are denoted with (por.). Data relating to these items are filed at the DOFAW Administrative Office and the State Survey Office.

Action	Date	A/W	Description	Acres	Copy of Survey Furnished (CSF)	ТМК
Governor's Proclamation	31-Dec- 1918	A	Land set aside for establishment of Nounou FR	818	2870	442004001 442004002
Executive Order 2421	10-Jan- 1969	W	Withdrawal of Government lands at Wailua for addition to Wailua River State Park	95.67	15438	442004002

Action	Date	A/W	Description	Acres	Copy of Survey Furnished (CSF)	ТМК
Executive Order 3376	08-Jan- 1988	Withdrawal of Government lands at W South Olohena for the County of Kaua'i for a well site		20597	442004001 (por.)	
Executive Order 4098	12-Jan- 2005	A	Addition of land at Wailua House Lots for public trail access	3.385	23910	441012011 441012012 441012013
Executive Order 4107	A I		Addition of a perpetual non- exclusive easement for public access foot trail	0.780	24006	442003012 (por.) 442003065 (por.)

**Table 4:** Summary of public land additions and withdrawals (A/W) for Kālepa FR. See Figure 3 for map descriptions. Portions of TMKs are denoted with (por.). Data relating to these items are filed at the DOFAW Administrative Office and the State Survey Office.

Action	Date	A/W	Description	Acres	Copy of Survey Furnished (CSF)	ТМК
Governor's Proclamation	19-Jun- 1944	A	Land set aside for establishment of Kālepa FR	nment of 744.00		439002014 439002030 (por.)
Executive Order 1480	27-Nov- 1951	W	Withdrawal of Government lands at Wailua for pineapple cultivation	33.59	11283	439002014 (por.)
Executive Order 2420	Executive Order 2420 1969 Withdrawal of Government lands a Wailua for addition Wailua River State		Withdrawal of Government lands at Wailua for addition to Wailua River State Park	31.82	15439	439002030 (por.)

Kuleana Parcels: None.

**Documented Activities/Leases/Deeds/Permits:** Documentation has been found for three land use agreements involving lands of the Kālepa FR (Table 5). None were found for Nounou FR.

**Table 5:** Historical land use agreements in Kālepa FR.

Type of Action	Action Number	Duration	Description	Acres	Copy of Survey Furnished (CSF)	ТМК
Lease	GL-1495	1-July-1925 to 1-July-1940	Lease to Lihue Plantation Company, Ltd.	7055	4039	439002014

Type of Action	Action Number	Duration	Description	Acres	Copy of Survey Furnished (CSF)	ТМК
Lease	GL-1495	1-July-1925 to 1-July-1940	Lease to Lihue Plantation Company, Ltd.	7055	4039	439002014
Lease	S-5193	26-Jul-1990 to 13-Jul-2001	Lease for hydroelectric plan operations that was never executed and eventually cancelled	?	?	439002014
Agreement of Surrender	n/a	5-Sept-1944 To 5-Sept-1964	Lihue Plantation Company, Ltd.	193.5	n/a	438002004 438002005 438002018

**E. Vegetation:** Nounou and Kālepa FRs are dominated by non-native forest: albizia (*Falcataria moluccana*), strawberry guava (*Psidium cattleianum*), Java plum (*Syzygium cumini*), octopus tree (*Schefflera actinophylla*), Christmas berry (*Schinus terebinthifolius*), and silk oak (*Grevillea robusta*); shrubland: lantana (*Lantana camara*) and koa haole (*Leucaena leucocephala*); and grassland: guinea grass (*Urochloa maxima*) and bush beard grass (*Schizachyrium condensatum*) (Figure 4). There are some native species still present in both reserves. For a more detailed list of plant species see Appendix A. DOFAW's Draft Management Guidelines consist of four vegetation classifications: V-1 Highest Quality Native Ecosystems, V-2 Predominantly Native Areas, V-3 Considerably Disturbed Areas, and V-4 Badly Degraded Areas. The vegetation in Nounou and Kālepa FRs are classified as V-4 (Figure 5). Management objectives for V-4 areas are to prevent activities or intensities of use that result in degradation of watershed cover or soils. These areas are where the most disruptive activities would be allowed, such as large-scale commercial forestry, game habitat manipulation, etc. Native plant conservation is mainly focused at the species level. There are approximately 1,393 acres of V-4 in Nounou and Kālepa FRs. DOFAW is in the process of updating its Management Guidelines.

Rare Plants: Kaua'i has a high level of biological endemism (Mitchell et al., 2005) and has many rare plants, some of which may be found within Nounou FR (Table 6 and Figure 6). There are no known wild populations of rare plant species in the Kālepa FR, but the Division maintains rare plant exclosures in both reserves and have in the past outplanted rare and common native plants into the exclosures and also in the surrounding area. Rare species in Hawai'i may be listed with the Federal Endangered Species Act (US-ESA) and/or with the local Plant Extinction Prevention (PEP) Program, whose mission is to protect Hawai'i's rarest native plants from extinction. The PEP Program works to reverse the trend toward extinction by managing wild plants, collecting seeds, and establishing new populations with a focus on species that have fewer than 50 plants remaining. Funding for the PEP Program is provided by DOFAW, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and other federal, state, and private partners. Members of the Hawai'i Rare Plant Restoration Group, of which DOFAW is a founding member, provides oversight to the PEP Program and provides botanical expertise when necessary. The PEP Program regularly collaborates with over 60 conservation partners and landowners to protect PEP species under their jurisdiction.

Figure 4: Vegetation cover at Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves (Hawai'i GAP Analysis Program 2005)

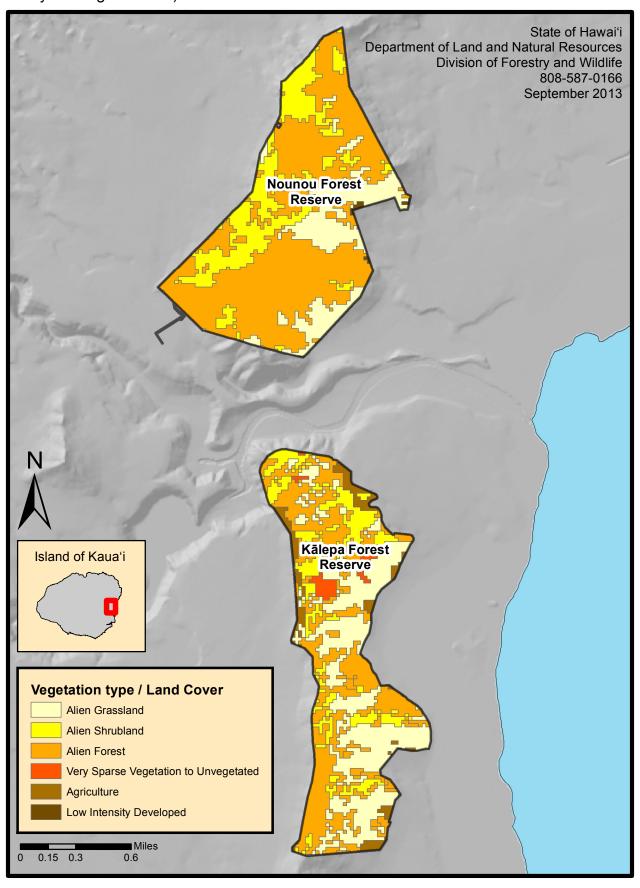


Figure 5: DOFAW's Draft Management Guidelines for Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves

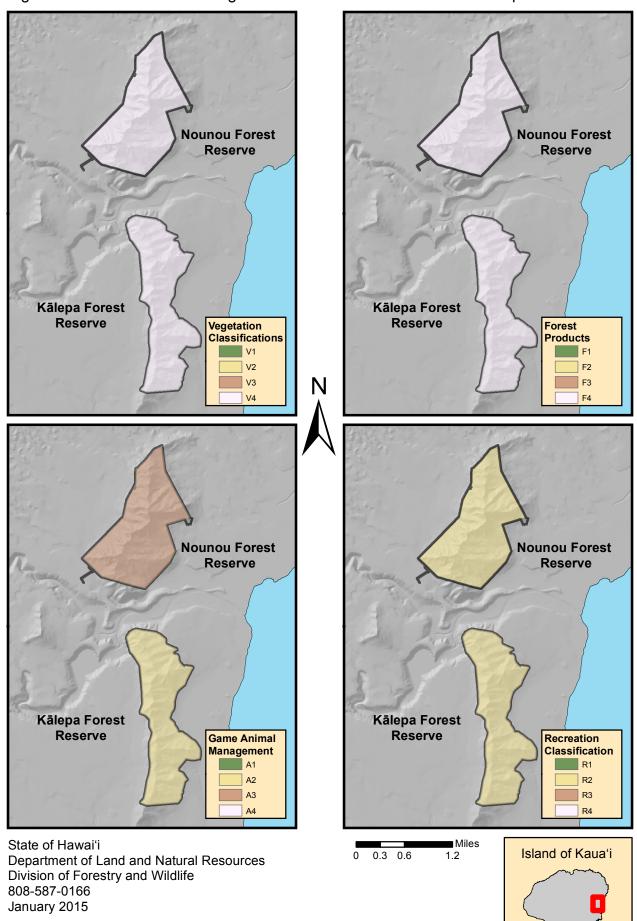
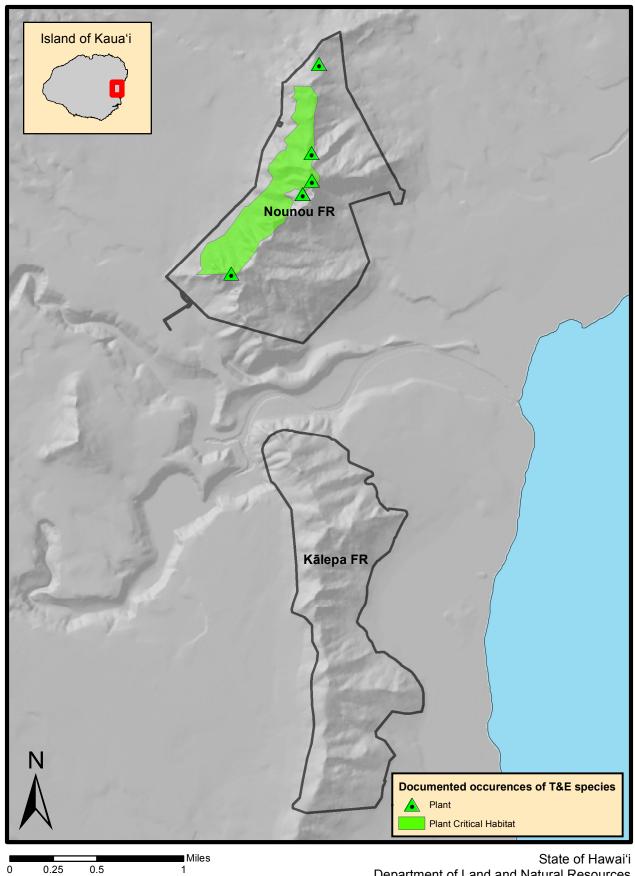


Figure 6: Threatened and Endangered (T&E) Species and Critical Habitat in Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserve (FR) Also see Table 6. (Hawai'i Biodiversity and Mapping Program 2008)



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**Table 6:** Rare and endangered plants observed within Nounou FR (Hawai'i Biodiversity and Mapping Program 2008). Species listed may have more than one observation. An observation is considered historical if it occurred more than 30 years ago. Also see Figure 6.

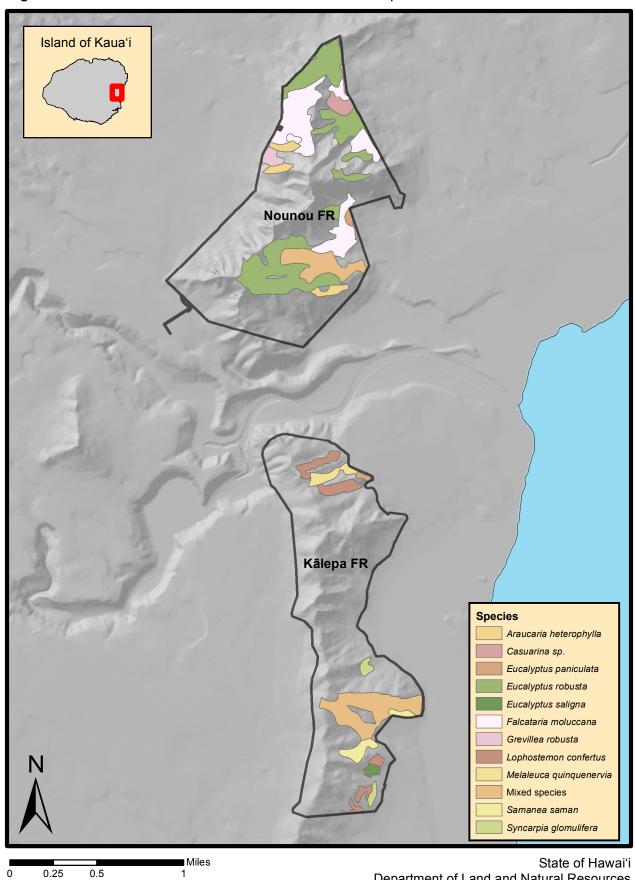
	Species	Current/	US-ESA	PEP
	Species	Historical	<b>Listing Status</b>	<b>Species</b>
Plants	Hibiscus clayi	Current	Endangered	Yes
	Lobelia niihauensis	Historical	Endangered	No
	Polyscias racemosa	Current	Endangered	No
Animals	Lasirus cinereus semotus	Current	Endangered	N/A
	Puffinus auricularis newelli	Current	Endangered	N/A

**Plant Critical Habitat:** As defined by the US-ESA, Critical Habitat is defined as "specific geographic areas, whether occupied by a listed species or not, that are determined to be essential for the conservation and management of listed species, and that have been formally described in the Federal Register," (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 2014). Nounou Forest Reserve contains Critical Habitat for two plant species (*Hibiscus clayi* and *Polyscias racemosa*) encompassing 147 acres (Figure 6). Kālepa Forest Reserve does not contain Critical Habitat for any endangered plant species.

**Timber Species:** Large scale harvesting of the Hawaiian forests began in 1791, with the sandalwood trade. This ultimately led to the severe depletion of native sandalwood by the 1830's (Merlin et al. 1990). Forest loss continued due to fire, cattle grazing, and harvesting of wood for fence posts and fuel wood for whaling ships and sugar mills. In the late 1800's, ranchers and sugar plantations began replanting efforts to replace the forests that provided a steady source of water. The Territorial Government also took an interest in exotic and native tree planting throughout the Hawaiian Islands, both for reforestation purposes and to conduct trials with commercially valuable timber species (Nelson 1967). Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves together have 33 plantation plots encompassing approximately 382 acres (Figure 7) (Klingensmith 1967). Most of these were planted prior to 1957 (Honda et al., 1967). Species that were planted and are still present in these FRs include:

- Araucaria heterophylla (Norfolk island pine)
- Casuarina sp. (ironwood)
- Eucalyptus paniculata (grey ironbark)
- Eucalyptus robusta (swamp mahogany)
- Eucalyptus saligna (Sydney blue gum)
- Falcataria moluccana (albizia)
- *Grevillea robusta* (silk oak)
- Lophostemon confertus (Brisbane box)
- *Melaleuca quinquenervia* (paperbark)
- Samanea saman (monkeypod)
- Syncarpia glomulifera (turpentine tree)

Figure 7: Plantation timber stands in Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves.



State of Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources Division of Forestry and Wildlife 808-587-0166 September 2013 DOFAW's Draft Management Guidelines designate Nounou and Kālepa FRs as containing only one of four levels of forest products classification (Figure 5): Restricted (F-4, forest products are not normally an objective. Harvesting would be considered only for compelling public benefit, 1393 acres). All classification levels have restrictions regulated by DOFAW and require appropriate permits and/or licenses. DOFAW is in the process of updating its Management Guidelines.

Non-Native Plant Species: Large areas of both Nounou and Kālepa FRs are comprised of non-native vegetation, much of which is considered invasive. Species in the FRs that fall under this category include:

- Ardisia elliptica (inkberry)
- Caesalpinia decapetala (catsclaw)
- Chrysophyllum oliviforme (satin leaf)
- *Clidemia hirta* (clidemia)
- *Clusia rosea* (autograph tree)
- Leucaena leucocephala (koa haole)
- Lantana camara (lantana)
- Macaranga tanarius (parasol leaf tree)
- *Melinis minutiflora* (molasses grass)
- *Mesosphaerum pectinatum* (comb bushmint)
- Psidium cattleianum (strawberry guava, waiawi)
- *Rhodomyrtus tomentosa* (downy rose myrtle)
- Schinus terebinthifolius (Christmas berry)
- Schizachyrium condensatum (bush beard grass)
- Spathodea campanulata (African tulip)
- Sphaeropteris cooperi (Australian tree fern)
- Syzygium cumini (Java plum)
- *Schefflera actinophylla* (octopus tree)
- *Urochloa maxima* (guinea grass)

**F. Wildlife:** A few species of native wildlife, including two endangered species can be found in the Nounou and Kālepa FRs (Table 6). Auditory surveys conducted by the Kaua'i Endangered Seabird Recovery Project has detected the endangered Hawaiian hoary bat (*Lasirus cinereus semotus*) in the vicinity of both forest reserves (Nick Holmes, personal communication, unreferenced), and more recently the 'a'o or Newell's shearwater (*Puffinus auricularis newelli*) has been detected in the vicinity of Nounou FR. There is no other information on any other federally listed species in these areas. Other species of Hawaiian birds that have been observed in the vicinity of both forest reserves are the pueo (*Asio flammeus sandwicensis*) and the white-tailed tropicbird (*Phaethon lepturus dorotheae*).

**Animal Critical Habitat:** There is no animal critical habitat located in the Nounou or Kālepa Forest Reserves.

**Non-Native Wildlife:** A wide variety of introduced songbirds exist across the island of Kaua'i. Some of these provide competition for resources and serve as reservoirs for diseases that affect

native bird populations. Mosquitoes, especially *Culex quinquefasciatus*, are a concern due to their status as disease vectors. Rats (*Rattus* spp.) eat fruits of native plants and can be vectors for Leptospirosis, a zoonotic disease. Feral cats (*Felis catus*) may prey on nesting native birds. Mongoose (*Herpestes javanicus*) are also a threat to native birds and were captured on Kaua'i for the first time in 2012. Credible mongoose sightings continue to be reported to the Kauai Invasive Species Committee. Introduced game animals, such as pigs (*Sus scrofa scrofa*) also have negative impacts on native ecosystems. Other non-native wildlife that may commonly be found in the area include the neotropical toad (*Bufo marinus*), tree gecko (*Hemiphyllodactylus typus*), metallic skink (*Leiolopisma metallicum*), mouse (*Mus musculus*), house sparrow (*Passer domesticus*), Java finch (*Padda oryzivora*), chicken (*Gallus gallus*), and ring-necked pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*).

<u>G: Access</u>: The western and central portions of the Nounou FR have public access (Figure 8). There are no official public access points for the Kālepa FR.

**Vehicular Access:** There are no roads within Nounou and Kālepa FRs, but trail access to Nounou FR can be reached by three public roads: Haleilio Road, Kuamoʻo Road and Kamalu Road. There are no public roads that contour the Kālepa FR boundary.

**Trails:** Nā Ala Hele, the State of Hawai'i trail and access system (<a href="http://hawaiitrails.ehawaii.gov">http://hawaiitrails.ehawaii.gov</a>) has three interconnecting trails that provide public access to the Nounou FR; Nounou Trail East, Nounou Trail West and the Kuamo'o-Nounou Trail (Figure 8). The Nounou Trail East starts in Wailua Houselots at a parking area and ends at a picnic shelter. The Nounou Trail West begins along Kamalu Road in the Wailua Homesteads. It heads up the west side of the mountain and ends where it joins the Nounou Trail East near the 1.5 mile post. The Kuamo'o-Nounou trail starts on the southwestern side of Nounou FR on Kuamo'o Road and contours north along the mountain for 2 miles and ends when it connects with the Nounou Trail West. The three trails range from easy to difficult and all are approved for pedestrian activity. Only Kuamo'o-Nounou trail allows bicycle and equestrian activity. There are no public trails in Kālepa FR.

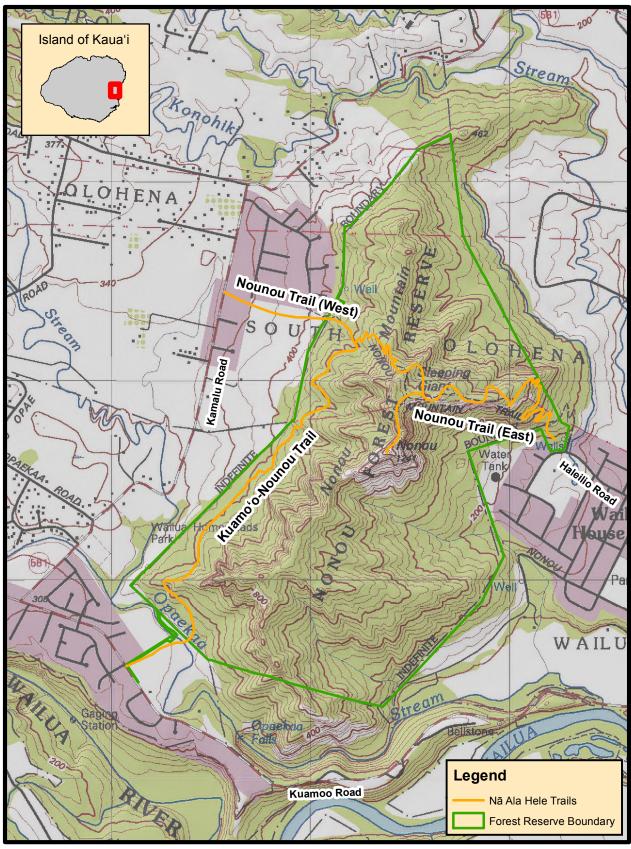
**Designated Helicopter Landing Zones:** None.

Restricted Watershed: No restricted watershed areas exist on the island of Kaua'i.

**H: Infrastructure:** Infrastructure in Nounou FR is minimal and mostly for public access. There is a parking area at the trail head of Nounou Trail East and a bridge at the beginning section of the Kuamoʻo-Nounou Trail. There is a trail shelter on Kuamoʻo-Nounou Trail and at the end of the Nounou Trail East. A fence line also exists between private landowners on the west and south boundary of Nounou FR. There are small fence exclosures in both reserves for rare plant protection and outplanting.

**I:** Archaeological and Historical Sites: Nounou and Kālepa are prominent geological features on the eastern side of Kaua'i. They are mentioned in oli and are also the setting for well known mo'olelo such as *Mo'olelo o Kawelo*, which had been published multiple times in Hawaiian newspapers and then again published in translated collections of Hawaiian legends. These two

Figure 8: Public access routes to Nounou Forest Reserve. There are currently no public access points to Kālepa Forest Reserve.



State of Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources Division of Forestry and Wildlife 808-587-0166 September 2013 forest reserves are a part of a rich history associated with the ahupua'a of Waipouli, North and South Olohena, and Wailua.

Between Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves lies the Wailua River State Park. Wailua was one of the two major ruling centers on Kaua'i. The lower river valley region of Wailua was also known as Wailuanuiaho'āno (the Great Sacred Wailua of Ho'āno). Wailuanuiaho'ānu was the region makai of the southern part of Nounou Mountain and Maunakapu on Kālepa Ridge (Dickey 1916). It contains many culturally significant sites, including heiau, birthing stones, a bell stone, petroglyphs, burials, canoe landings, and fishponds (Ho'omanawanui 2012). There are more heiau within Wailua ahupua'a than in any other on Kaua'i (Bennett, 1931).

Until recently, the only record of an archaeological or historical site within the boundaries of either Nounou FR or Kālepa FR was included in Bennett's 1931 publication. He reported that rocks for making stone implements were quarried from Nounou ridge, but this quarry site has not been relocated in recent times. In 2007, during wildfire suppression efforts by DOFAW, staff identified previously undocumented archeological sites within Kalepa FR. In 2014, the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) visited and cataloged two significant archeological sites within the Kālepa FR, sites 50-30-08-2265 and 50-30-08-2266. According to the SHPD report, "Both sites assimilate into the cultural and historical landscape of the Wailua area and are consistent with land use for agriculture and habitation," (SHPD 2014, p. 4).

Site 50-30-08-2265 is a well preserved kauhale, or house site complex, which includes a fairly large enclosure with numerous additional terraces. "The style and construction denote pre-Contact use and may have also been used historically," (SHPD 2014, p. 4). At site 50-30-08-2266, northwest of site 50-30-08-2265, at least five terraces were identified with more terraces likely to be revealed following a complete survey. According to SHPD, the terraces at this site are distinct but slightly eroded and less defined than those at site 2265. In addition, a significant concentration of large boulders was observed on the northeastern bend of Kālepa Ridge between site 2265 and 2266 that may be determined as a ceremonial site upon further investigation. It is recommended by SHPD that the sites be managed for preservation by the state and that a full site assessment is conducted in order to reveal important data that was not included in their report.

#### **J. Other Public Activity:**

**Hunting:** DOFAW manages public hunting on all forest reserve lands on Kaua'i by the regulation of hunting seasons, bag limits, and hunting methods. These two forest reserves are not part of any hunting unit, and hunting is not allowed in these two areas. General hunting regulations can be found in Chapter 121, HAR. Rule regulating game bird hunting can be found in Chapter 122, HAR, and rule regulating game mammal hunting can be found in Chapter 123, HAR. The Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE) enforces hunting regulations.

Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves contain two of the four possible Game Animal management classes (Figure 5) according to DOFAW's Draft Management Guidelines: A-2 Mixed Game and Other Uses, and A-3 Game Control (public). Approximately 724 acres of A-3 managed area exists in Nounou FR, and 670 acres of A-2 managed area exists in Kālepa FR. A-2 areas are

designated where game management is an objective integrated with other uses. Habitat may be manipulated for game enhancement (game bird). Game populations are managed to acceptable levels using public hunting. A-3 areas are designated where resource protection is the primary objective, with emphasis on native plant communities and watersheds. DOFAW is currently in the process of updating its Management Guidelines.

**Camping:** Camping is not allowed in either Nounou or Kālepa Forest Reserve.

**Fishing:** No fishing opportunities are available in these two forest reserves.

**Hiking:** There are three Nā Ala Hele hiking trails in Nounou FR but none in the Kālepa FR. See section <u>G</u>: Access for more details.

**Horseback Riding:** Horseback riding is allowed on the Nā Ala Hele Kuamoʻo-Nounou trail in the Nounou FR. See section <u>G: Access</u> for more details.

**Dirt Bikes, All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) and Mountain Bikes:** Dirt bikes and ATVs are not allowed in either Nounou or Kālepa FRs. Non-motorized mountain bikes may be used on Kuamoʻo-Nounou Trail.

**Non-Timber Forest Product Collection:** Non-timber forest products may be collected within the forest reserves. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- a. Ferns
- b. Flowers
- c. Fruits
- d. Psidium spp. (guava) poles

Gathering of material from plant species that are not on Federal or State threatened and endangered species lists is permitted and regulated by DOFAW through standard Forest Reserve System permit procedures as described in Chapter 104, HAR. Gathering of non-listed species or common materials, in quantities which are determined by DLNR as representing personal use, is regulated through issuance of a Collection Permit and may be issued at a fee. Consult the Forest Products Fee Schedule for information on personal versus commercial use quantities, as well as current commercial use pricing. The Forest Product Fee Schedule can be found at, http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/forestry/files/2013/09/Forest-Product-Fee-Schedule.pdf.

#### Collection of:

- 1. Listed threatened, endangered, or other rare species;
- 2. Common invertebrate species; or
- 3. Any migratory bird species,

may be allowed if individuals have obtained an appropriate permit by applying to the "Administrator," at the DOFAW Honolulu office. In these cases, a separate Access Permit may be required which is obtained through the Branch Manager at the DOFAW Kaua'i office. Both addresses follow:

Administrator Division of Forestry and Wildlife 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325 Honolulu, HI 96813 Phone (808) 587-0166

Kaua'i Branch Manager Division of Forestry and Wildlife 3060 Eiwa Street, Room 306 Līhu'e, HI 96766 Phone (808) 274-3433

The collection of any federally listed species or migratory bird is also subject to Federal Permits. Contact the USFWS for additional information.

General Recreation: Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves contain one of four possible Recreation Management classes according to DOFAW's Draft Management Guidelines (Figure 5): R-2 (Medium Use Areas, 1,394 acres). R-2 areas are where outdoor recreation is limited or controlled, or where it may be integrated with other uses. Facilities are not highly developed and include trails and trail shelters. These Draft Management Guidelines are currently being updated.

#### **K.** Threats:

**Plants:** Invasive, weedy plants that have some of the greatest potential to disrupt the ecosystem in Nounou and Kālepa FRs include:

- *Clidemia hirta* (clidemia)
- Falcataria moluccana (albizia)
- Lantana camara (lantana)
- Leucaena leucocephala (koa haole)
- Psidium cattleianum (strawberry guava, waiawi)
- *Schizachyrium condensatum* (bush beard grass)
- *Urochloa maxima* (guinea grass)

**Animals:** Animals that may pose threats to the resources in Nounou and Kālepa FRs include:

- Cats (prey on seabirds)
- Feral ungulates (pigs damage vegetation and cause erosion)
- Barn owls (prey on seabirds)
- Rodents (feed on native plant seeds and native birds)
- Mongoose (prey on native birds)

**Fire**: As much of the vegetation in Nounou and Kālepa FRs consists of non-native forest with a grassy understory, fire is a risk in the area. There have been fires in Nounou and Kālepa FRs in the past. DOFAW is the primary response to wildland fires that occur in forest reserves, and through a "Mutual Aid Agreement," works cooperatively with the Kaua'i Fire Department.

**Flooding:** There are public safety concerns due to occasional flooding of 'Ōpaeka'a Stream particularly at the bridge crossing. There has been significant damage to the bridge in the past after high rainfall events.

**Other:** There are potential hazard tree concerns that affect private landowners along the boundary of Nounou FR, and potential rockfall hazards along the east side of Nounou Mountain. There is also illegal off-road vehicle activity in Kālepa FR damaging the natural resources in this area.

#### L. Revenue:

According to Section 183-1.5, HRS, the Department shall:

"Devise and carry into operation, ways and means by which forests and forest reserves can, with due regard to the main objectives of title 12, be made self-supporting on whole or in part."

The trails in Nounou FR are managed by and approved for commercial tour activities by the Nā Ala Hele program. Commercial activity is regulated by limiting the number of groups per day (3 for Nounou trails), and also the number of people (12 including the guide) in each group. Parking for commercial tours in Nounou FR is limited to specific areas.

There are currently no other revenue sources within Nounou and Kālepa FRs. A potential source of future revenue may be from commercial tour or film industry permits.

#### III. MANAGEMENT

**<u>A. Past Planning</u>**: There are no official management plans that have been written for these two forest reserves.

**B. Summary of Existing Management Activities:** Current management activities within Nounou FR include Nā Ala Hele trail maintenance and rare plant protection. DOFAW maintains rare plant exclosures in both reserves and have in the past outplanted rare and common native plants into the exclosures and also in the surrounding area.

C. Management Objectives and Goals: In the Draft Umbrella Management Plan for each Branch of the Division, broad management priorities for each forest reserve were derived from the mandates that regulate DOFAW activities, including the Draft Management Guidelines and Administrative Rules, as well as input from Branch staff. These management priorities were divided into eight categories:

- Watershed Values (aquifer recharge and erosion control)
- Native Ecosystems (landscape level protection)
- Resource Protection (fire, insects, and disease)
- Invasive Species Control (incipient and established plants and animals)
- Threatened and Endangered (T&E) Species Management (Federally listed, State listed, and rare plants and animals)

- Other Public Activity (non-income generating uses, such as recreation, cultural activities, personal gathering, educational or research activities, and events among others)
- Game Animal Management (areas managed for public hunting and/or habitat enhancement for game animals)
- Commercial Activity (income generating activities such as timber, tours, etc.)

Each category has been ranked on a qualitative scale of 1 to 8 with 1 as higher priority and 8 as lower priority. Table 7 is an excerpt from the Kaua'i Forest Reserves Draft Umbrella Management Plan and lists qualitative rankings of the management priority categories for Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves.

Table 7: Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves and associated management priority categories.

Forest Reserve Section Name	Resource Protection	Watershed Values	Invasive Species Control	T&E Species Mgmt.	Native Ecosystems	Game Animal Mgmt.	Commercial Activity	Other Public Activity
Nounou	2	1	6	4	5	8	7	3
Kālepa	2	1	5	7	6	4	8	3

Table 8 expands on these management priority categories, listing general management actions to address the objectives, along with tactical goals, action items, and estimated cost associated with these actions. As the two Forest Reserves are in close proximity to each other and they have similar management priorities, they are treated as one in the following table.

**Table 8**: Management objectives and associated plans for Nounou and Kālepa Forest Reserves. Estimated cost refers to State funds.

Management Priority	General Management Action	Tactical Goals	Action Items	Estimated Cost
Watershed Values	Reduce the threat and impact of erosion on reserve resources	Maintain forest cover on watershed lands to provide high quality water for residents	Re-establishment of appropriate vegetative cover  Work with DOCARE to address illegal dirt bike activity in Kalepa FR, in conjunction with a community outreach and education effort.	\$10K/year + staff costs Staff & mgmt costs only
	Monitor forest composition over time to determine landscape level needs	Determine permanent systematic monitoring protocol	Establish survey plots and transects	\$30K/year
Resource Protection	Reduce impact of fire, ungulate, insects, and disease on forest resources	Support biological control research	Implement science-based biological control when approved for use	TBD

Management Priority	General Management Action	Tactical Goals	Action Items	Estimated Cost
		Fire presuppression and prevention	Educate public on defensible spaces, esp. near residential areas: Kapa'a, Wailua Houselots, Wailua Homesteads, Waipouli, Kapaia, and Hanamā'ulu	Staff & mgmt costs only
		Insects and disease monitoring and control	Compose and submit annual report of forest pests surveys to Forest Health Coordinator	Staff & mgmt costs only
		Ungulate control	Issuance of wildlife control permits and promote public hunting	Staff & mgmt costs only
T&E Species Management	Protection and recovery of listed rare plants and animals	Determine specific areas and species of interest	Build fence and maintain exclosures around wild populations of rare plants. Outplant T&E species into exclosures	\$25K each
			Kaua'i district Botanist to conduct botanical surveys	Staff & mgmt costs only
		Predator control	Rats – predator control Cats – trapping	\$70K/year
		Conduct surveys for presence, location, and population estimates of rare animals	Seabirds and Hawaiian hoary bat Newell's shearwater	\$30K/year
Invasive Species Control	Manage incipient and established invasive plants and animals	Collaborate with partners to support ongoing research for invasive species control	Support invasive species control research done by partner agencies	\$20K/year
		Invasive species monitoring and control	Chemical and mechanical control	\$50K/yr + staff costs
Other Public Activity	Acquire and secure management and/or public access to Kālepa FR	Purchase needed lands through land acquisition programs	Initiate discussions with adjacent landowners	Based on land assessment value + staff costs
		Obtain access easements	Work with landowners in areas where needed (DHHL, Grove Farms, Agribusiness Development Corporation)	Staff & mgmt costs only
	Public information	Update informational signage	Sign installation and replacement as needed	\$10K/year + staff costs

Management Priority	General Management Action	Tactical Goals	Action Items	Estimated Cost
	Trail infrastructure maintenance	Maintain and repair aging infrastructure	Maintain and repair bridge, trail shelters and parking lots	\$2500/year + staff cost
Native Ecosystems	Determine landscape level needs	Native ecosystem restoration	Common native outplanting (low priority action)	\$50K/acre
Game Animal Management	Promote public hunting through Chapters 122 & 123,	Amendments to Chapters 122 & 123, HAR	Add to Chapters 122 & 123, HAR	Staff & mgmt costs only
	HAR	Improve hunter access	Acquire land and/or easements see above	Based on land assessment value + staff costs
		Update Draft Management Guidelines	Amend Animal Management Guidelines	Staff & mgmt costs only
		Conduct animal (goat) surveys	Determine population sizes	Staff and mgmt costs only
		Public education	Continue hunter education program, other public outreach as required	Staff & mgmt costs only
Commercial Activity	Generate income from commercial activities in the FR	Determine future income possibilities – commercial tour permits, collection permits, and film industry	Determine protocol to manage fee collection	Staff & mgmt costs only

#### **D.** Overall Measures of Success:

Measures of success for individual forest reserve management plans can be derived from the State of Hawai'i annual variance reports. Initial measures of success that may be applicable to Nounou and Kālepa FRs include:

- Number of volunteer service projects
- Acres of noxious plants controlled
- Acres of fire protection area
- Miles of trail maintained
- Miles of fence constructed
- Miles of fence maintained
- Acres of exclosure developed
- Acres of exclosure maintained
- Acres of native forest restored
- Number of rare, threatened, or endangered plant/animal species protected
- Number of cultural resources protected

- Number of commercial leases/licenses/permits issued
- Number of signs replaced
- Number of appurtenant features maintained

#### IV. FUTURE RECOMMENDATIONS

<u>A. Desired Outcome for the Forest Reserves</u>: Protection and enhancement of watershed quality and quantity provided by the lands of Nounou and Kālepa FRs is essential. Protection of known locations of threatened and endangered species and cultural resources is also an important goal. Maintain and enhance public access and activity in these two Forest Reserves.

**<u>B. Future Recommendations</u>**: Pursuing public access agreements, whether through land acquisition or securing easements, should be considered a priority for Kālepa FR. Also of considerable value is the investigation of deriving revenue for the management of the reserves.

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## VI. APPENDIX

	Naturalized	Clidemia	Clidemia hirta var. hirta	Melastomataceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Fiddlewood	Citharexylum caudatum L.	Verbenaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous?	Manienie , Golden Beardgrass	Chrysopogon aciculatus (Retz.) Trin.	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Satin-Leaf Tree	Chrysophyllum oliviforme L.	Sapotaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Partridge Pea <i>, Lauki</i>	Chamaecrista nictitans subsp. patellaria var. glabrata (Vogel) H.S.Irwin & Barneby	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Asiatic Pennywort	Centella asiatica (L.) Urb.	Apiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Elephant Grass, Napier Grass	Cenchrus purpureus (Schumach.) Morrone	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Ironwood	Casuarina equisetifolia L.	Casuarinaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Fukien Tea, Philippine Tea	Carmona retusa (Vahl) Masam.	Boraginaceae	Dicot
	Endemic	'Uki	Carex wahuensis subsp. wahuensis	Сурегасеае	Monocot
	Indigenous	Carex Sedge	Carex meyenii Nees	Cyperaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Maunaloa	Canavalia cathartica Thouars	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous	Kakalaioa, Hihikolo	Caesalpinia bonduc (L.) Roxb.	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Bai Bei Feng	Buddleja asiatica Lour.	Scrophulariaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Hammock Fern, Blechnum	Blechnum appendiculatum Willd.	Blechnaceae	Pteridophyte
	Endemic	Koʻokoʻolau	Bidens sandvicensis subsp. sandvicensis	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Cultivated	Common Bamboo	Bambusa vulgaris Schrad	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Wide-Leaved Carpet Grass	Axonopus compressus (Sw.) P.Beauv.	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Asparagus Fern	Asparagus plumosus Baker	Asparagaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Inkberry	Ardisia elliptica Thunb.	Primulaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Cook Pine	Araucaria columnaris (G.Forst.) Hook.	Araucariaceae	Gymnosperm
	Indigenous	Maile	Alyxia stellata (J.R.Forst. & G.Forst.) Roem. & Schult.	Аросупасеае	Dicot
	Polynesian	Kukui	Aleurites moluccana (L.) Willd.	Euphorbiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Billygoat Weed	Ageratum conyzoide s L.	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Agave	Agave sp.	Asparagaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Maidenhair Fern	Adiantum raddianum C.Presl	Pteridaceae	Pteridophyte
SOC	Endemic	Koaia, Koai'e	Acacia koaia Hillebr.	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Formosa Acacia	Acacia confusa Merr.	Fabaceae	Dicot
FedStat	Status	Common Name	Taxon Name	Family	Super Family

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	Naturalized	Silk Oak	Grevillea robusta A.Cunn. ex R.Br.	Proteaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous	Tiny Brittle Fern	Gonocormus minutus (Blume) Bosch	Hymenophyllaceae	Pteridophyte
	Endemic	'Uki	Gahnia beecheyi H.Mann	Cyperaceae	Monocot
	Endemic	'Uki	Gahnia aspera subsp. globosa (H.Mann) J.Kern	Cyperaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Mauritius Hemp	Furcraea foetida (L.) Haw.	Asparagaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Chinese Banyan	Ficus microcarpa L.f.	Moraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Albizia	Falcataria moluccana (Miq.) Barneby & J.W.Grimes	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Endemic	'Akoko	Euphorbia celastroides var. celastroides	Euphorbiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Swamp Mahogany	Eucalyptus robusta Sm.	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Manienie Ali'i , Wire Grass	Eleusine indica (L.) Gaertn.	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Tobacco Weed	Elephantopus mollis Kunth	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Blue Marble Tree	Elaeocarpus angustifolius Blume	Elaeocarpaceae	Dicot
	Endemic	'Iwa 'Iwa	Doryopteris decipiens (Hook.) J.Sm.	Pteridaceae	Pteridophyte
	Indigenous	'A'ali'i	Dodonaea viscosa Jacq.	Sapindaceae	Dicot
	Endemic	Lama	Diospyros sandwicensis (A.DC.) Fosberg	Ebenaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous	'Uluhe	Dicranopteris linearis f. linearis	Gleicheniaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Three-Flower Beggarweed	Desmodium triflorum (L.) DC.	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Creeping Beggarweed, Spanish Clover	Desmodium incanum DC.	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Papyrus	Cyperus papyrus L.	Cyperaceae	Monocot
	Endemic	No Common Name	Cyperus hillebrandii var. decipiens (Hillebr.) Kük.	Cyperaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Downy Wood Fern	Cyclosorus dentatus (Forssk.) Ching	Thelypteridaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Little Ironweed	Cyanthillium cinereum (L.) H.Rob.	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Indiahead Ginger	Costus scaber Ruiz & Pav.	Costaceae	Monocot
	Polynesian	Κi, Ti Leaf	Cordyline fruticosa (L.) A.Chev.	Asparagaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Horse Tail, Fleabane, <i>Lani Wela</i>	Conyza sp.	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Polynesian	Kalo , Taro	Colocasia esculenta (L.) Schott	Araceae	Monocot
	Polynesian	<i>Niu</i> , Coconut Palm	Cocos nucifera L.	Arecaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Autograph Tree	Clusia rosea Jacq.	Clusiaceae	Dicot
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Monocot	Poaceae	Heteropogon contortus (L.) P.Beauv. ex Roem. & Schult.	Pili	Indigenous?	
Dicot	Malvaceae	Hibiscus clayi O.Deg. & I.Deg.	Kokio'ula	Endemic	Е
Dicot	Malvaceae	Hibiscus tiliaceus L.	Hau	Indigenous?	
Dicot	Lamiaceae	Hyptis pectinata (L.) Poit.	Comb Bushmint	Naturalized	
Dicot	Acanthaceae	Justicia betonica L.	White Shrimp Plant, Squirrel's Tail	Naturalized	
Dicot	Verbenaceae	Lantana camara L.	Lantana	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Polypodiaceae	Lepisorus thunbergianus (Kaulf.) Ching	'Ekaha	Indigenous	
Dicot	Ericaceae	Leptecophylla tameiameiae (Cham. & Schltdl.)	Pukiawe	Indigenous	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Leucaena leucocephala (Lam.) de Wit	Koa Haole	Naturalized	
Dicot	Onagraceae	Ludwigia octovalvis (Jacq.) P.H.Raven	Primrose Willow	Polynesian?	
Dicot	Euphorbiaceae	Macaranga tanarius (L.) Müll.Arg.	Parasol-Leaf Tree, Heart Leaf	Naturalized	
Dicot	Anacardiaceae	Mangifera indica L.	Common Mango	Naturalized	
Dicot	Meliaceae	Melia azedarach L.	Chinaberry	Naturalized	
Monocot	Poaceae	Melinis minutiflora P.Beauv.	Mollasses Grass	Naturalized	
Monocot	Poaceae	Melinis repens (Willd.) Zizka	Natal Red-Top	Naturalized	
Dicot	Myrtaceae	Metrosideros polymorpha var. glaberrima (H.Lév.) H.St.John	'Ohi'a Lehua	Endemic	
Pteridophyte	Dennstaedtiaceae	Microlepia strigosa var. strigosa	Palapalai	Indigenous	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Mimosa pudica var. unijuga (Duchass. & Walp.) Griseb.	Sensitive Plant	Naturalized	
Dicot	Rubiaceae	Morinda citrifolia L.	Noni	Polynesian	
Dicot	Rutaceae	Murraya paniculata (L.) Jack	Mock Orange	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Lomariopsidaceae	Nephrolepis brownii (Desv.) Hovenkamp & Miyam.	Asian Sword Fern	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Lomariopsidaceae	Nephrolepis exaltata (L.) Schott	<i>Kupukupu,</i> Sword Fern	Indigenous	
Dicot	Ochnaceae	Ochna thomasiana Engl. & Gilg	Mickey Mouse Plant	Naturalized	
Monocot	Poaceae	Oplismenus hirtellus	Wavy-Leaf Basketgrass	Naturalized	
Dicot	Rosaceae	Osteomeles anthyllidifolia (Sm.) Lindl.	'Ulei	Indigenous	
Dicot	Oxalidaceae	Oxalis corniculata L.	' <i>lhi 'ai</i> , Yellow Wood Sorrel	Indigenous?	
Monocot	Pandanaceae	Pandanus tectorius Parkinson ex Z	Hala , Scew Pine	Indigenous?	

	Naturalized	Thimbleberry	Rubus rosifolius Sm.	Rosaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Cuban Royal Palm	Roystonea regia (Kunth) O.F.Cook	Arecaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Downy Rose Myrtle	Rhodomyrtus tomentosa (Aiton) Hassk.	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Endemic	Нао	Rauvolfia sandwicensis A.DC.	Apocynaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Macarthur Palm	Ptychosperma macarthurii (Veitch) H.Wendl. ex Hook.f.	Arecaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Graceful Necklace Fern	Lindsaea ensifolia Sw.	Lindsaeaceae	Pteridophyte
	Endemic	<i>Kilau</i> , Bracken Fern	Pteridium aquilinum subsp. decompositum (Gaudich.) Lamoureux ex J.A.Thomson	Dennstaedtiaceae	Pteridophyte
	Indigenous	<i>Moa</i> , Whiskfern	Psilotum nudum (L.) P.Beauv.	Psilotaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Common Guava	Psidium guajava L.	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Strawberry Guava	Psidium cattleianum Sabine	Myrtaceae	Dicot
E	Endemic I	Loulu	Pritchardia hardyi Rock	Arecaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Purslane	Portulaca oleracea L.	Portulacaceae	Dicot
E	Endemic I	Munroidendron	Polyscias racemosa (C.N.Forbes) Lowry & G.M.Plunkett	Araliaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Root Beer Plant	Polygala paniculata L.	Polygalaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Sourbush	Pluchea carolinensis (Jacq.) G.Don	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Indigenous	Ala Ala Wai Nui	Plectranthus parviflorus Willd.	Lamiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Broadleaf Plantain	Plantago major L.	Plantaginaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	<i>Laua'e</i> , Maile-Scented Fern	Phymatosorus grossus (Langsd. & Fisch.) Brownlie	Polypodiaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Longstalked Phyllanthus	Phyllanthus tenellus Roxb.	Phyllanthaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Niruri	Phyllanthus debilis Klein ex Willd.	Phyllanthaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Rabbit's-Foot Fern, Golden Polypody	Phlebodium aureum (L.) J.Sm.	Polypodiaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Avocado	Persea americana Mill.	Lauraceae	Dicot
	Indigenous	'Ala'alawainui	Peperomia blanda var. floribunda (Miq.) H.Huber	Piperaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Water Lemon, Yellow Granadilla	Passiflora laurifolia L.	Passifloraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Passion Fruit/Flower	Passiflora edulis Sims	Passifloraceae	Dicot
	Indigenous?	Rice Grass	Paspalum scrobiculatum L.	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Hilo Grass	Paspalum conjugatum P.J.Bergius	Poaceae	Monocot
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	Polynesian	'Awapuhi, Shampoo Ginger	Zingiber zerumbet (L.) Sm.	Zingiberaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Elephant Ear	Xanthosoma robustum Schott	Araceae	Monocot
	Indigenous?	'Uhaloa	Waltheria indica L.	Malvaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Guinea Grass, Panic Grass	Urochloa maxima (Jacq.) R.D.Webster	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Sacramento Bur	Triumfetta semitriloba Jacq.	Malvaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Sweet Clockvine	Thunbergia fragrans Roxb.	Acanthaceae	Dicot
	Polynesian	<i>'Ohi'a Ai</i> , Mountain Apple, Malay Apple	Syzygium malaccense (L.) Merr. & L.M.Perry	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Java Plum	Syzygium cumini (L.) Skeels	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Node Weed	Synedrella nodiflora (L.) Gaertn.	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	St. Augustine Grass	Stenotaphrum secundatum (Walter) Kuntze	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Vervain	Stachytarpheta cayennensis (Rich.) Vahl	Verbenaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Smut Grass	Sporobolus indicus (L.) R.Br.	Poaceae	Monocot
	Indigenous	Pala'a	Sphenomeris chinensis (L.) Maxon	Lindsaeaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Wedelia	Sphagneticola trilobata (L.) Pruski	Asteraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Buttonweed	Spermacoce assurgens Ruiz & Pav.	Rubiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Ground Orchid, Spathoglottis	Spathoglottis plicata Blume	Orchidaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	African Tulip	Spathodea campanulata P.Beauv.	Bignoniaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous?	American Nightshade	Solanum americanum Mill.	Solanaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous	'Ilima	Sida fallax Walp.	Malvaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Broom Weed, Southern Sida	Sida acuta subsp. carpinifolia (L.f.) Borss.Waalk.	Malvaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Yellow Foxtail	Setaria parviflora (Poir.) Kerguélen	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Easter Cassia	Senna pendula var. advena (Vogel) H.S.Irwin & Barneby	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Bush Beard Grass	Schizachyrium condensatum (Kunth) Nees	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Brazilian Pepper Tree	Schinus terebinthifolius Raddi	Anacardiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Octopus Tree	Schefflera actinophylla (Endl.) Harms	Araliaceae	Dicot
	Endemic	<i>'Iliahi ,</i> Sandalwood	Santalum pyrularium A.Gray	Santalaceae	Dicot
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Dicot	Malvaceae	Abutilon grandifolium (Willd.) Sweet	Hairy Indian Mallow	Naturalized	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Acacia confusa Merr.	Formosan Koa	Naturalized	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Acacia koaia Hillebr.	Koaia, Koai'e	Endemic	SOC
Dicot	Asteraceae	Ageratum conyzoides L.	Billygoat Weed	Naturalized	
Gymnosperm	Araucariaceae	Araucaria columnaris (G.Forst.) Hook.	Cook Pine	Naturalized	
Monocot	Orchidaceae	Arundina graminifolia (D.Don) Hochr.	Bamboo Orchid	Naturalized	
Dicot	Asteraceae	Bidens sandvicensis subsp. sandvicensis	Ko'oko'olau	Endemic	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Canavalia cathartica Thouars	Maunaloa	Naturalized	
Monocot	Сурегасеае	Carex wahuensis subsp. wahuensis	'Uki	Endemic	
Dicot	Casuarinaceae	Casuarina equisetifolia L.	Ironwood	Naturalized	
Dicot	Apiaceae	Centella asiatica (L.) Urb.	Asiatic Pennywort	Naturalized	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Chamaecrista nictitans subsp. patellaria var. glabrata (Vogel) H.S.Irwin & Barneby	Partridge Pea <i>, Lauki</i>	Naturalized	
Dicot	Sapotaceae	Chrysophyllum oliviforme L.	Satin-Leaf Tree	Naturalized	
Monocot	Poaceae	Chrysopogon aciculatus (Retz.) Trin.	<i>Manienie</i> , Golden Beardgrass	Indigenous?	
Dicot	Lauraceae	Cinnamomum camphora (L.) J.Presl	Camphor	Naturalized	
Dicot	Clusiaceae	Clusia rosea Jacq.	Autograph Tree	Naturalized	
Monocot	Arecaceae	Cocos nucifera L.	Niu, Coconut Palm	Polynesian	
Dicot	Asteraceae	Conyza sp.	Horse Tail, Fleabane, <i>Lani Wela</i>	Naturalized	
Monocot	Asparagaceae	Cordyline fruticosa (L.) A.Chev.	Ki , Ti Leaf	Polynesian	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Crotalaria spectabilis Roth	Showy Rattlebox	Naturalized	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Desmodium incanum DC.	Creeping Beggarweed, Spanish Clover	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Gleicheniaceae	Dicranopteris linearis f. linearis	'Uluhe	Indigenous	
Dicot	Sapindaceae	Dodonaea viscosa Jacq.	'A'ali'i	Indigenous	
Pteridophyte	Pteridaceae	Doryopteris decipiens (Hook.) J.Sm.	'Iwa 'Iwa	Endemic	
Dicot	Asteraceae	Emilia coccinea (Sims) G.Don	Flora's Paintbrush, Tassel Flower	Naturalized	

	Indigenous	'Ulei	Osteomeles anthyllidifolia (Sm.) Lindl.	Rosaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Wavy-Leaf Basketgrass	Oplismenus hirtellus	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Asian Sword Fern	Nephrolepis brownii (Desv.) Hovenkamp & Miyam.	Lomariopsidaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Asian Sword Fern	Nephrolepis brownii (Desv.) Hovenkamp & Miyam.	Lomariopsidaceae	Pteridophyte
	Polynesian	Noni	Morinda citrifolia L.	Rubiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Sensitive Plant	<i>Mimosa pudica</i> var. <i>unijuga</i> (Duchass. & Walp.) Griseb.	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Natal Red-Top	Melinis repens (Willd.) Zizka	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Mollasses Grass	Melinis minutiflora P.Beauv.	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Paper Bark Melaleuca	Melaleuca quinquenervia (Cav.) S.T.Blake	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Common Mango	Mangifera indica L.	Anacardiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Purple Bush-Bean, Siratro	Macroptilium atropurpureum (DC.) Urb.	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Parasol-Leaf Tree, Heart Leaf	Macaranga tanarius (L.) Müll.Arg.	Euphorbiaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Brisbane Box	Lophostemon confertus (R.Br.) Peter G.Wilson & J.T.Waterh.	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Graceful Necklace Fern	Lindsaea ensifolia Sw.	Lindsaeaceae	Pteridophyte
	Naturalized	Коа Наоlе	Leucaena leucocephala (Lam.) de Wit	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Lantana	Lantana camara L.	Verbenaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Air Plant	Kalanchoe pinnata (Lam.) Pers.	Crassulaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Anil, Wild Indigo, 'Iniko, 'Inikoa,	Indigofera suffruticosa Mill.	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous?	Наи	Hibiscus tiliaceus L.	Malvaceae	Dicot
	Indigenous?	Pili	Heteropogon contortus (L.) P.Beauv. ex Roem. & Schult.	Poaceae	Monocot
	Naturalized	Silk Oak	Grevillea robusta A.Cunn. ex R.Br.	Proteaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Chinese Banyan	Ficus microcarpa L.f.	Moraceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Albizia	Falcataria moluccana (Miq.) Barneby & J.W.Grimes	Fabaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Eucalyptus	Eucalyptus sp.	Myrtaceae	Dicot
	Naturalized	Florida Tassel Flower	<i>Emilia fosbergii</i> Nicolson	Asteraceae	Dicot
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Dicot	Passifloraceae	Passiflora laurifolia L.	Water Lemon, Yellow Granadilla	Naturalized	
Dicot	Passifloraceae	Passiflora suberosa L.	Corkystem Passionflower	Naturalized	
Dicot	Piperaceae	Peperomia blanda var. floribunda (Miq.) H.Huber	'Ala'alawainui	Indigenous	
Pteridophyte	Polypodiaceae	Phlebodium aureum (L.) J.Sm.	Rabbit's-Foot Fern, Golden	Naturalized	
Monocot	Arecaceae	Phoenix sp.	Date Palm	Naturalized	
Dicot	Phyllanthaceae	Phyllanthus debilis Klein ex Willd.	Niruri	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Polypodiaceae	Phymatosorus grossus (Langsd. & Fisch.) Brownlie	Laua'e , Maile-Scented Fern	Naturalized	
Gymnosperm	Pinaceae	Pinus spp.	Pine Tree	Naturalized	
Dicot	Pittosporaceae	Pittosporum pentandrum (Blanco) Merr.	Mamalis	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Pteridaceae	Pityrogramma calomelanos (L.) Link	Silver Fern	Naturalized	
Dicot	Lamiaceae	Plectranthus parviflorus Willd.	Ala Ala Wai Nui	Indigenous	
Dicot	Asteraceae	Pluchea carolinensis (Jacq.) G.Don	Sourbush	Naturalized	
Dicot	Polygalaceae	Polygala paniculata L.	Root Beer Plant	Naturalized	
Dicot	Araliaceae	Polyscias racemosa (C.N.Forbes) Lowry & G.M.Plunkett	Munroidendron	Endemic	E
Dicot	Portulacaceae	Portulaca oleracea L.	Purslane	Naturalized	
Dicot	Portulacaceae	Portulaca pilosa L.	Rose-Flowered Purslane	Naturalized	
Dicot	Myrtaceae	Psidium cattleianum Sabine	Strawberry Guava	Naturalized	
Dicot	Myrtaceae	Psidium guajava L.	Common Guava	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Psilotaceae	Psilotum nudum (L.) P.Beauv.	<i>Moa</i> , Whiskfern	Indigenous	
Monocot	Arecaceae	Ptychosperma macarthurii (Veitch) H.Wendl. ex Hook.f.	Macarthur Palm	Naturalized	
Dicot	Fagaceae	Quercus suber L.	Cork Oak	Cultivated	
Dicot	Myrtaceae	Rhodomyrtus tomentosa (Aiton) Hassk.	Downy Rose Myrtle	Naturalized	
Dicot	Santalaceae	Santalum album L.	Indian Sandalwood	Cultivated	
Dicot	Santalaceae	Santalum ellipticum Gaudich.	lliahialoe	Endemic	
Dicot	Goodeniaceae	Scaevola gaudichaudii Hook. & Arn.	Naupaka kuahiwi	Naturalized	

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Dicot	Goodeniaceae	Scaevola taccada (Gaertn.) Roxb.	Naupaka Kahakai	Indigenous	
Dicot	Araliaceae	Schefflera actinophylla (Endl.) Harms	Octopus Tree	Naturalized	
Dicot	Anacardiaceae	Schinus terebinthifolius Raddi	Brazilian Pepper Tree	Naturalized	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Senna surattensis (Burm.f.) H.S.Irwin & Barneby	Scrambled Egg Tree	Naturalized	
Monocot	Poaceae	Setaria parviflora (Poir.) Kerguélen	Yellow Foxtail	Naturalized	
Dicot	Malvaceae	Sida fallax Walp.	'Ilima	Indigenous	
Monocot	Orchidaceae	Spathoglottis plicata Blume	Ground Orchid, Spathoglottis	Naturalized	
Dicot	Rubiaceae	Spermacoce assurgens Ruiz & Pav.	Buttonweed	Naturalized	
Pteridophyte	Lindsaeaceae	Sphenomeris chinensis (L.) Maxon	Pala'a	Indigenous	
Dicot	Verbenaceae	Stachytarpheta cayennensis (Rich.) Vahl	Vervain	Naturalized	
Dicot	Myrtaceae	Syncarpia glomulifera (Sm.) Nied.	Turpentine Tree	Naturalized	
Dicot	Myrtaceae	Syzygium cumini (L.) Skeels	Java Plum	Naturalized	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Tamarindus indica L.	Tamarind	Cultivated	
Dicot	Fabaceae	Tephrosia purpurea var. purpurea	Auhuhu, Ahuhu, 'Auhola, Hola	Polynesian	
Dicot	Acanthaceae	Thunbergia fragrans Roxb.	Sweet Clockvine	Naturalized	
Monocot	Poaceae	Urochloa maxima (Jacq.) R.D.Webster	Guinea Grass, Panic Grass	Naturalized	
Dicot	Malvaceae	Waltheria indica L.	'Uhaloa	Indigenous?	
Dicot	Thymelaeaceae	Wikstroemia uva-ursi var. kauaiensis Skottsb.	Akia	Endemic	