



## Aloha 'Āina

### **Kēkēmapa/Ianuali 2012 Cultural Resources Management Program Status Update**

#### **Ala Polohiwa a Kanaloa**

On December 19-22, Culture Program staff and **former** intern Natashja Tong made observations for the Ala Polohiwa a Kanaloa at sites Kāneloa, Pu'u Mōiwi, Moa'ulaiki, and Piko oWākea. Majority of the **morning** observations **were** done at Kāneloa for **documentation regarding** the proposed stabilization plan. An update of **this** documentation was shared with Executive Director Mike **Nāho'opi'i**. Pili bales were taken to the site to alleviate some of the top surface erosion occurring near the pōhaku.



#### **Conservation Action Planning**

On January 24-26, Culture Program staff participated in the final Conservation Action Planning workshop sponsored by The Nature Conservancy.

#### **A Hui Hou**

Aloha e Commissioners,

I would like to take the time to mahalo all the Staff and Commissioners of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission. Although this has been the most challenging professional position that I have ever held, I am grateful for all that I have learned and gained in this experience, as I am sure it will remain with me in whatever path I choose to take in life. I have been passionate about Kaho'olawe since the first time I set foot in Hakioawa 10 years ago, and **it** has helped to shape almost every facet of growth in my life.

I would also like to mahalo the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana for helping to establish a foundation of Aloha 'Āina and Mālama 'Āina, and all the countless hours of volunteer work that they provide to the island and its visitors. All the work that has been accomplished in the KIRC Culture Program over the last two and half years can be credited to the collaborative work done with committed individuals in the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana.

Good luck and best wishes to all who give to Kanaloa-Kaho'olawe.

Kūkulu Ke Ea A Kanaloa!  
Kahale Saito