



County of Maui Greens Grant Program (Greens Grant)

BACKGROUND

The proposed project will enhance 2.69 acres of a seasonal mixed palustrine emergent and scrub-shrub coastal wetland habitat located in Honokanai‘a and 1.5 acres of wetland habitat in Honukanaenae in the ‘ili of Kealaikahiki on the southwestern end of Kaho‘olawe. The overall mission of this project is to restore wetlands and stabilize sand dunes on the coastline of Kealaikahiki ‘Ili by introducing native vegetation (8,000 native plants), removing invasive alien species, and constructing of waterflow control devices and sediment traps across the 1.75 acres of road. **Grant Life: January 2025-June 2026.**

DELIVERABLES

- Directly enhance 2.69 acres of palustrine emergent and scrub-shrub coastal wetland habitat in Kealaikahiki ‘Ili by removing invasive alien plants, reintroducing native plants in the efforts to reducing siltation within 18 months of the project start date.

AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 284,470

FUNDER: County of Maui: Department of Environmental Management Environmental Protection & Sustainability Division

HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Hire a second ORS II for a one-year period.
- ✓ Plant 8,000 plants and removal of invasive plant species.
- ✓ 2.69 of 2.69 acres have been enhanced through plantings and invasive removal.

Purchase 3 new UTVs
Water catchment construction in Honokanai‘a.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

SPENT
\$135,798.28

BILLED
\$87,235.00

RECEIVED
\$87,235.00



PROJECT UPDATE: Nov '25 – Dec. '25

- Over this reporting period we have planted 1,167 native plants in the project area (13,070 to date, exceeding the 8,000 project requirement). This is a breakdown of what was planted over this 12-month period:

9,830 'Aki'aki
3,100 'Ākulikuli
100 Pōhuehue
40 Kou
- This final planting event completes the coastal restoration portion of the grant project. Remaining obligations are related to the extension request; purchasing of UTVs and the construction of water catchment area in Honokanai'a.
- The solicitation of three UTVs has been completed, a vendor has been selected and the final billing and processing is occurring.