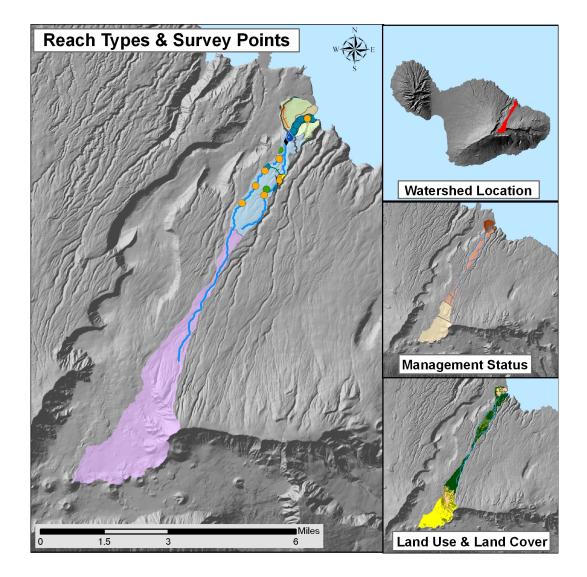
DAR Watershed Code: 64014

## Wailua Nui, Maui



### WATERSHED FEATURES

Wailua Nui watershed occurs on the island of Maui. The Hawaiian meaning of the name is "big Wai-lua". The area of the watershed is 6.6 square mi (17 square km), with maximum elevation of 8858 ft (2700 m). The watershed's DAR cluster code is 2, meaning that the watershed is small, steep in the upper watershed, and with little embayment. The percent of the watershed in the different land use districts is as follows: 7.6% agricultural, 92.4% conservation, 0% rural, and 0% urban.

Land Stewardship: Percentage of the land in the watershed managed or controlled by the corresponding agency or entity. Note that this is not necessarily ownership.

Military	Federal	<u>State</u>	<u>OHA</u>	<u>County</u>	Nature Conservancy	Other Private
0.0	39.8	35.7	0.0	0.0	14.9	9.6

Land Management Status: Percentage of the watershed in the categories of biodiversity protection and management created by the Hawaii GAP program.

Permanent Biodiversity	Managed for Multiple	Protected but	
Protection	Uses	<u>Unmanaged</u>	<u>Unprotected</u>
54.7	35.7	0.0	9.6

Land Use: Areas of the various categories of land use. These data are based on NOAA C-CAP remote sensing project.

	Percent	<u>Square mi</u>	<u>Square km</u>
High Intensity Developed	0.0	0.00	0.00
Low Intensity Developed	0.0	0.00	0.00
Cultivated	0.0	0.00	0.00
Grassland	9.4	0.62	1.61
Scrub/Shrub	17.6	1.16	3.00
Evergreen Forest	38.7	2.54	6.58
Palustrine Forested	0.0	0.00	0.00
Palustrine Scrub/Shrub	0.0	0.00	0.00
Palustrine Emergent	0.0	0.00	0.00
Estuarine Forested	0.0	0.00	0.00
Bare Land	34.2	2.25	5.82
Unconsolidated Shoreline	0.0	0.00	0.00
Water	0.1	0.01	0.02
Unclassified	0.0	0.00	0.00

#### STREAM FEATURES

Wailuanui is a perennial stream. Total stream length is 9.6 mi (15.4 km). The terminal stream order is 2.

# **Reach Type Percentages: The percentage of the stream's channel length in each of the reach type categories.**

<u>Estuary</u>	Lower	Middle	<u>Upper</u>	Headwaters
0.0	5.1	5.7	52.0	37.1

The following stream(s) occur in the watershed: East Wailua Nui Wailua Nui West Wailua Nui

#### **BIOTIC SAMPLING EFFORT**

Biotic samples were gathered in the following year(s):						
1962	1979	1980	1992	2002	2003	2007
2008						

Distribution of Biotic Sampling: The number of survey locations that were sampled in the various reach types.

Survey type	<u>Estuary</u>	Lower	<u>Middle</u>	<u>Upper</u>	Headwaters
DAR General Surveys	0	1	0	0	0
DAR Observation	0	1	0	0	0
DAR Point Quadrat	0	36	24	5	0
DAR Point QuadratDAR Point	0	0	1	0	0
HDFG	0	1	0	7	0
Published Report	0	1	0	2	0

### **BIOTA INFORMATION**

<u>Species List</u> Native Species	2	Native Specie	s
Crustaceans	Atyoida bisulcata Macrobrachium grandimanus	Insects	Anax junius Anax sp.
Fish Snails	Awaous guamensis Eleotris sandwicensis Gobiid sp. Kuhlia sandvicensis Kuhlia xenura Lentipes concolor Sicyopterus stimpsoni Neritina granosa Neritina vespertina		Megalagrion sp. Telmatogeton sp.
Introduced Sp	ecies	Introduced Sp	ecies
Amphibians Crustaceans Snails	Rana rugosa Macrobrachium Iar Procambarus clarkii Lymnaeid sp. Pomacea sp.	Insects	Chironomid larvae

### Species Size Data: Species size (inches) observed in DAR Point Quadrat Surveys.

Scientific Name	<u>Status</u>	<u>Minimum Size</u>	<u>Maximum Size</u>	Average Size
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic	0.25	2	1.1
Macrobrachium grandimanus	Endemic	1.25	1.25	1.3
Macrobrachium lar	Introduced	1	6	2.8
Procambarus clarkii	Introduced	0.5	1	0.8
Eleotris sandwicensis	Endemic	2	3.5	2.8
Kuhlia xenura	Endemic	1	3	2.0
Lentipes concolor	Endemic	0.75	2.5	1.2
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic	0.75	4	1.6
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous	0.75	8	2.5
Gobiid sp.	Indigenous	0.75	1	0.9

Neritina granosa	Endemic	0.5	2	1.1
Lymnaeid sp.	Introduced	0.25	0.25	0.3

# Average Density: The densities (#/square yard) for species observed in DAR Point Quadrat Surveys averaged over all sample dates in each reach type.

Scientific Name	<u>Status</u>	<u>Estuary</u>	Low	Mid	Upper Headwaters
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic				5.48
Eleotris sandwicensis	Endemic		0.48		
Kuhlia xenura	Endemic		0.64		
Lentipes concolor	Endemic		0.16	0.86	
Macrobrachium grandimanus	Endemic		0.16		
Neritina granosa	Endemic		0.8	0.86	
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic		0.32	3.24	
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous		0.48	2.38	
Gobiid sp.	Indigenous		0.32		
Macrobrachium lar	Introduced		1.93	2.16	
Procambarus clarkii	Introduced		0.32		

#### Species Distributions: Presence (P) of species in different stream reaches.

Scientific Name	Status	<u>Estuary</u>	Lower	<u>Middle</u>	Upper Headwaters
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic		Р	Р	Р
Macrobrachium grandimanus	Endemic		Р		
Eleotris sandwicensis	Endemic		Р		
Kuhlia xenura	Endemic		Р		
Lentipes concolor	Endemic		Р	Р	Р
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic		Р	Р	Р
Megalagrion sp.	Endemic				Р
Neritina granosa	Endemic		Р	Р	
Neritina vespertina	Endemic		Р		
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous		Р	Р	
Gobiid sp.	Indigenous		Р		Р
Kuhlia sandvicensis	Indigenous		Р		
Anax junius	Indigenous				Р
Anax sp.	Indigenous				Р
Telmatogeton sp.	Indigenous				Р
Rana rugosa	Introduced		Р		
Macrobrachium lar	Introduced		Р	Р	Р
Procambarus clarkii	Introduced		Р		
Chironomid larvae	Introduced		Р		Р
Lymnaeid sp.	Introduced		Р		
Pomacea sp.	Introduced		Р		

#### **HISTORIC RANKINGS**

Historic Rankings: These are rankings of streams from historical studies. "Yes" means the stream was considered worthy of protection by that method. Some methods include non-biotic data in their determination. See Atlas Key for details.

Multi-Attribute Prioritization of Streams - Potential Heritage Streams (1998): No Hawaii Stream Assessment Rank (1990): Outstanding U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service High Quality Stream (1988): No The Nature Conservancy- Priority Aquatic Sites (1985): No National Park Service - Nationwide Rivers Inventory (1982): No

# Current DAR Decision Rule Status: The following criteria are used by DAR to consider the biotic importance of streams. "Yes" means that watershed has that quality.

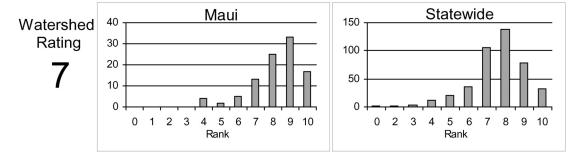
Native Insect Diversity > 19 spp.	Native Macrofauna <u>Diversity &gt; 5 spp.</u>	Absence of Priority 1 Introduced
No	Yes	No
Abundance of Any Native Species	Presence of Candidate Endangered Species	Endangered Newcomb's <u>Snail Habitat</u>
No	No	No

#### **CURRENT WATERSHED AND STREAM RATINGS**

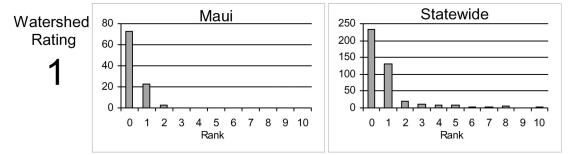
The current watershed and stream ratings are based on the data contained in the DAR Aquatic Surveys Database. The ratings provide the score for the individual watershed or stream, the distribution of ratings for that island, and the distribution of ratings statewide. This allows a better understanding of the meaning of a particular ranking and how it compares to other streams. The ratings are standardized to range from 0 to 10 (0 is lowest and 10 is highest rating) for each variable and the totals are also standardized so that the rating is not the average of each component rating. These ratings are subject to change as more data are entered into the DAR Aquatic Surveys Database and can be automatically recalculated as the data improve. In addition to the ratings, we have also provided an estimate of the confidence level of the ratings. This is called rating strength. The higher the rating strength the more likely the data and rankings represent the actual condition of the watershed, stream, and aquatic biota.

#### WATERSHED RATING: Wailua Nui, Maui

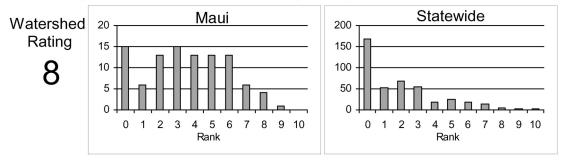
Land Cover Rating: Rating is based on a scoring sytem where in general forested lands score positively and developed lands score negatively.



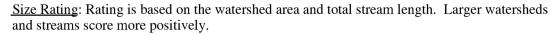
<u>Shallow Waters Rating</u>: Rating is based on a combination of the extent of estuarine and shallow marine areas associated with the watershed and stream.

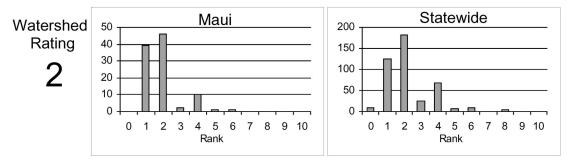


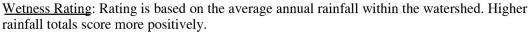
<u>Stewardship Rating</u>: Rating is based on a scoring system where higher levels of land and biodiversity protection within the watershed score positively.

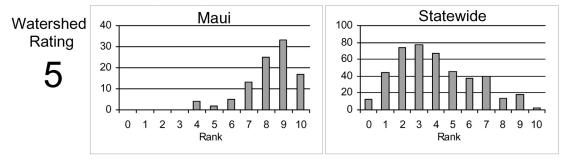


#### WATERSHED RATING (Cont): Wailua Nui, Maui

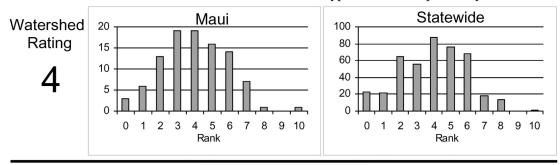




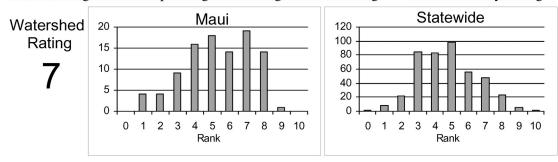




<u>Reach Diversity Rating</u>: Rating is based on the types and amounts of different stream reaches available in the watershed. More area in different reach types score more positively.

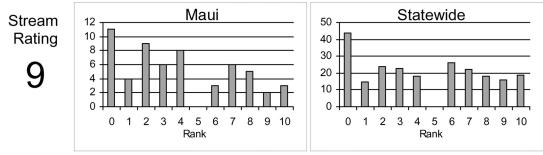


<u>Total Watershed Rating</u>: Rating is based on combination of <u>Land Cover Rating</u>, <u>Shallow</u> <u>Waters Rating</u>, <u>Stewardship Rating</u>, <u>Size Rating</u>, <u>Wetness Rating</u>, and <u>Reach Diversity Rating</u>.

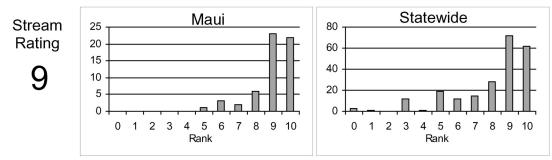


#### **BIOLOGICAL RATING: Wailua Nui, Maui**

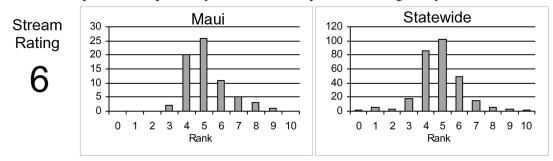
<u>Native Species Rating</u>: Rating is based on the number of native species observed in the watershed.



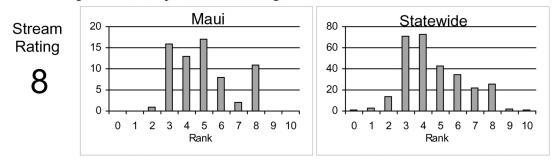
Introduced Genera Rating: Rating is based on the number of introduced genera observed in the watershed.



<u>All Species' Score Rating:</u> Rating is based on the Hawaii Stream Assessment scoring system where native species score positively and introduced species score negatively.

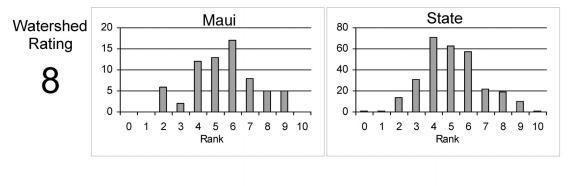


<u>Total Biological Rating</u>: Rating is the combination of the <u>Native Species Rating</u>, <u>Introduced</u> <u>Genera Rating</u>, and the <u>All Species' Score Rating</u>.



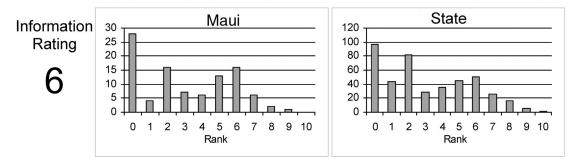
#### **OVERALL RATING: Wailua Nui, Maui**

Overall Rating: Rating is a combination of the <u>Total Watershed Rating</u> and the <u>Total Biological</u> <u>Rating</u>.



#### **RATING STRENGTH: Wailua Nui, Maui**

<u>Rating Strength:</u> Represents an estimate of the overall study effort in the stream and is a combination of the number of studies, number of different reaches surveyed, and the number of different survey types.



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