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Appendix A

Biological Surveys of the University of Hawaii, Kauai Community College Rana Biological Consulting, Inc. and AECOS Consultants September 30, 2010



Introduction and Background

As part of the University of Hawai'i, Kauai Community College, long range development plan the university is seeking to re-designate it's property to a more suitable land use classification to aid in it's long range development and expansion. The approximately 199arc site is identified as Tax May Reys: 3-4-073, 01, 02, 03, and 06 (Figure 1). This report describes the methods used and the results of the botanical, avian and mammalian surveys conducted on the subject property as part of the environmental disclosure process associated with the schools master development plan.

The primary purpose of the surveys was to determine if there are any botanical, avian or mammalian species currently listed, or proposed for listing under either federal or State of Hawaii endangered species statutes within or adjacent to the study area. We were also asked to evaluate the potential impacts that the development of the project might pose to any sensitive or protected native botanical, avian or mammalian species, and to propose appropriate minimization and or mitigative measures that could be implemented to reduce or eliminate any such impacts. The federal and State of Hawai'l listed species status follows species identified in the following referenced documents, (Department of Land and Matural Resources (DLNR) 1998, U. S. Fish & Wildliff Service (USFWS) 2005a, 2005b, 2010). Fieldwork was conducted on April 10, 11 and 12, 2010.

The avian phylogenetic order and nomenclature used in this report follows the AOU Check-List of North American Birds (American Ornithologists' Union 1998), and the 42nd through the 51st supplements to the Check-List (American Ornithologists' Union 2000; Banks et al. 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010). Mammal scientific names follow (Tomich 1986). Plant names follow (Palmer, 2003) for ferns, (Wagner et al., 1990, 1999) for native and naturalized flowering plants, and (Staples and Herbst, 2005) for crop and ornamental plants. Place names follow (Pukui et al. 1974).

Hawaiian and scientific names are italicized in the text. A glossary of technical terms and acronyms used in the document, which may be unfamiliar to the reader, are included at the end of the narrative text.

General Site Description

The University of Hawai'i, Kauai Community College (KCC) is located in Puhi, on the Island of Kauai'. The approximately 196.826 – acre site is built on lands formerly used for sugar cane cultivation. The property is owned by the State of Hawai', University of Hawai'. The main entrance to KCC is from Kamunali'i Highway, oposite Puhi Road. The access road loops around the main campus and reconnects with Kamunali'i Highway, 0.4-mile east of the main entrance. This eastern access/egrees is shared with Gaylord's Restaurant at Kilohana. Nearly all of the campus buildings and facilities are centrally located within the access road loop. Purana Leo Pre-School and Kawaikiki New Century Public Charter School are located southwest of the KCC main campus and loop road. Adjoernt to the KCC campus to the north is the Island School, which occupies TMK 3-8-02:16. The Island School is

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accessed from the KCC campus via the loop road. Across Kaumuali'i Highway, to the south is the town of Puhi, which is characterized by residential and commercial development. Active and fallow agricultural land and undeveloped land in guillies generally characterizes areas to the north, east and west of the KCC campus.

The property surveyed consists of three distinct types of environments which are based upon land use: 1) the landscaped KCC campus and adjoining agriculture station; 2) abandoned agricultural fields, and 3) a guich and riparian forest. The vegetation found in each environment is distinct, although many species are shared across the other areas. An adjacent property, Island School was also surveyed in August 2010 (see David and Guinther, 2010).

Botanical Survey Methods

The botanical survey was undertaken on August 11-12, 2010. A pedestrian or wandering transect method was used, entailing the botanist covering the survey area on foot and noting plant species as they were encountered. As the survey progressed, notes were made on the relative abundances of each species (e.g., rare, common, abundant, etc.). Photographs were taken, or specimens collected for closer inspection, of plants not readily identified in the field. In a few cases (typically grasses), plants could not be identified due to a lack of flowering or fruiting at the time of the survey. Conditions with respect to the dry season appeared not to be adverse, as this windward are has experienced sufficient rainfail recently to support the natural vegetation on the site. Very light rains were experienced intermittently during the course of the survey.

Botanical Survey Results

A plant checklist (Table 1) was compiled from field observations, with entries arranged alphabetically under plant family names (standard practice). Included in the list are scientific name, common name, and status (whether native or non-native) for each species observed on the property. In addition to identifying the plants present within the study site, qualitative estimates of plant abundance were made. These are coded in the table as explained in the Legend to Table 1 and apply to observations made during the present survey. For some species, a two-level system of abundance is used: the letter-number codes indicating species that have a limited distribution (e.g., found in only one small area of the property), but present there in numbers exceeding just a few individuals. For example, an abundance rating of "k" indicates a plant encountered only once or twice during the entire survey. An "R2" indicates a plant encountered on you cor twice bar plant selfom encountered. An "R3" indicates a plant encountered. An "R3" would be a plant selfom encountered.

The project area supports three basic types of vegetation reflecting land use: 1) landscaped areas on the KCC campus (Figure 2) and adjacent, former agriculture station southwest of the campus, 2) abandoned agricultural fields northwest of the campus, and 3) a broad,

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steep-sided gulch covered in secondary forest along the west side of the abandoned fields and agriculture station. Abundance scale values in Table I are given only for the undeveloped areas, in particular the gulch and low-sloping ground between the gulch and abandoned agricultural fields. The agriculture fields (former sugar cane land) are covered almost exclusively by Guinea grass (*Urochian auxima)*, and an open forest of large albizia (*Faictaria moluccana*) trees (Figure 3). A number of other species are invading these fields, particularly around the margins.

Species observed on the landscaped campus and/or the agriculture area are marked in Table 1 with note <1>. If an abundance value is given for a species indicated as occurring in the landscaped area, it occurred in both developed and undeveloped environments and the relative abundance given is for the undeveloped land only. Species associated only with aquatic areas (Puh) Stream and irrigation ditches and ponds) are indicated in Table 1 by note <2>. For plant status, indigenous (Ind) and endemic (End) indicate native plants; maturalized (Nat), ornamental (Orn), and Polynesian introduced (Pol) indicate non-natives. The latter (so-called 'cance plants'), were introduced to the Hawaiian Islands by Polynesian settlers prior to 1778. A majority of the native species recorded is plants used in landscaping on campus (i.e., ornamentals); thus, 'status' reflects their relationship generally in the Hawaiian Islands and not their use in the present situation. This distinction is important, because a few of the natives are rare, and at least one (Munroidenform racemosum) is a listed species (USFWS, 2010).

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Table 1. Flora for Kauai Community College Expansion Project, Puhi, Kauai Species FUNG AGARICACEAE Leucocoprinus fragillissimus (Ravenel) Pat. R FERNS and FERN ALLIES CVATHEACEAE haeropteru R.M. 1 cooperi (Hook. ex F. Muell) Australian tree fern Nat R DENNSTAEDTIACEAE Microlepia strigosa (Thunh.) C. Presl Pteridium aquilinum var. decompositum (Gaud.) R. M. Tyron NEPHROLEPIDACEAE Nanhoulinin Microlepida palapalai kīlau <1> <2> R1 End Nephrolepis cordifolia (L.) C. Presl Ind <1> POLYPODIACEAE POLYPODIACEAE Philobodium auream (L.) J. Sa. PSILOTACEAE Psiloann maham (L.) P. Beans. PTERDACEAE Adiantum 'Edwinii' Pheris certea L. THELYPTERDACEAE Christella dentata (Formate, Bernaure, & rabbit's-foot fern Nat U1 moa Ind R maidenhair fern Nat Ind R <1> Cretan brake IELYPTERIDACEAE Christella dentata (Forssk.) Brownsey & Jermy Cyclosorus interruptus (Willd.) H. Itö Nat U wood fern neke Ind R <2> CONIFERS and CYCADS ARAUCARIACEAE Araucaria columnaris (G. Forst.) J.D. Hook. Cook-pine CYCADACEAE Orn <1> Orn sago palm <1> Cycas sp. PODOCARPACEAE podocarpus FLOWERING PLANTS DICOTYLEDONE Orn <1> ACANTHACEAE ACANTHACEAE Barleria repens C. Nees Graptophyllum pictum (Lam.) Griff. Justicia betonica L. Thunbergia fragrams Rexb. Thunbergia laurifolia Luad. AMARANTHACEAE Amaranhus spinosys 1 pink-ruellia Orn Orn Nat Nat Nat <1> pink-ruellia caricature plant white shrimp plant sweet clockvine purple allamanda <1> U3 <1> <1> R Amaranthus spinosus L. spiny amaranth Nat R KCC Biological Surveys - 2010 8

ANACARDIACEAE					Casuarina equisetifolia L.	ironwood	Nat	0	<1>
Schinus terebinthifolius Raddi	Christmas berry	Nat		<1>	CLUSIACEAE				
APIACEAE					Calophyllum inophyllum L.	kamani	Pol		<1>
Ciclospermum leptophyllum (Pers.) Sprague	fir-leaved celery	Nat	R		CONVOLVULACEAE				
APOCYNACEAE					Ipomoea obscura (L.) Ker-Gawl.		Nat	R	<1>
Catharanthus roseus (L.) G. Don	periwinkle	Nat		<1>	Ipomoea triloba L. Merremia tuberose (L.) Rendle	little bell wood rose	Nat Nat	R	<1>
Cerbera manghas L.	cerbera	Orn		<1>	CUCURBITACEAE	wood lose	Ivat	к	
Plumeria obtusa L.	Singapore plumeria	Orn		<1>	Momordica charantia L.	wild bitter melon	Nat		<1>
Plumeria rubra L.	graveyard flower	Orn		<1>	ERICACEAE	whice officer meron			~12
Thevetia peruviana (Pers.) K. Schum.	be-still tree	Nat		<1>	Rhododendron sp.	azelia	Orn		<1>
ARALIACEAE					EUPHORBIACEAE				-1-
* Munroidendron racemosum (C. Forbes)	'ohe	End		<1>	Acalypha wilkesiana Müll.	beefsreak plant	Orn	R	
Sherff Polyscias guilfoylei (W. Bull) L.H. Bailey	panax	Om		<1>	Acalypha sp.	acalypha	Orn		<1>
Reynoldsia sandwicensis A. Gray	'ohe makai	End		<1>	Aleurites moluccana (L.) Willd.	kukui	Pol		<1>
Schefflera actinophylla (Endl.) Harms	octopus or umbrella tree	Nat		<1>	Aleurites moluccana 'Remyi'	kukui	Pol		<1>
ASCLEPIADACEAE					Chamaesyce albomarginata (Torr.) & A. Gray) Small	rattlesnake weed	Nat	U1	
Calotropis gigantea	crown flower	Orn		<1>	Chamaesyce hirta (L.) Millsp.	garden spurge	Nat	U2	
Marsdenia floribunda (Brong.) Schlecht. ASTERACEAE (COMPOSITAE)	stephanotis	Orn		<1>	Chamaesyce hypericifolia (L.) Millsp.	graceful spurge	Nat	R	
		N	U	<1>	Chamaesyce prostrata (Aiton) Small	prostrate spurge	Nat		<1>
Ageratum conyzoides L. Bidens pilosa L.	maile hohono ki	Nat Nat	R	-	Jatropha integerrima N. Jacq.	rose-flowered jatropha	Orn		<1>
Calyptocarpus vialis Less.	KI	Nat	R	<1> <1>	Macaranga tanarius (L.) Müll. Arg		Nat	AA	<1>
Conyza sp.	horseweed	Nat	U	<1.4>	Ricinis communis L. FABACEAE	castor bean	Nat	U2	
Conyza sp. Crassocephalum crepidiodes (Benth.) S.	noiseweed	Nat		~1,4~	FABACEAE Acacia confusa Merr.	Formosan koa	Nat	R	
Moore		Ivat	R		Acacia confusa Merr. Acacia koa A. Grav	Formosan <i>koa</i>	End	R	<1> <1>
Elephantopus mollis Kunth	elephant's foot	Nat	U2		Adenanthera pavonina L.	circassian bean	Orn	R	<3>
Erichtites valerianifolia (Wolf) DC	fireweed	Nat	R		Bauhania cf. purpurea L.	bauhania	Orn	ĸ	<1>
Partheniuim hysterophorus L.	false ragweed	Nat	U2		Canavalia cathartica Thours	maunaloa	Nat	С	<1>
Emilia fosbergii Nicolson	Flora's paintbrush	Nat	U	<1>	Canavalia sp.			-	<1>
Pluchea carolinensis (Jacq.) G. Don	sourbush	Nat	U	<1>	Cassia fistula L.	golden shower tree	Orn		<1>
Sigesbeckia orientalis L.	sm. yellow crownbeard wedelia	Nat Nat		<1>	Cassia x nealiae H.S. Irwin & Barneby	rainbow shower tree	Orn		<1>
Sphagneticola triloba (L.) Pruski Svnedrella nodiflora (L.) Gaertn.	nodeweed	Nat	03 U		Chamaecrista nictitans (L.) Moench	partridge pea	Nat	U	<1>
Youngia japonica (L.) Gaerm.	oriental hawksbeard	Nat	R	<1>	Delonix regia (Bojar ex Hook.) Raf.	royal poinciana	Nat		<1>
BIGNONIACEAE	orientar nawksocard	ivat	ĸ	<1>	Desmodium incanum DC	Spanish clover	Nat		<1>
Spathodea campanulata P. Beauv.	African-tulip tree	Nat	U	<1>	Erythrina sandwicensis Degener	wiliwili	End		<1>
BORAGINACEAE			0		Falcataria moluccana (Miq.) Barneby & Grimes	albizia	Nat	А	
Carmona retusa (Vahl) Masamune	Fukien tea	Nat		<1>	Leucaena leucocephala (Lam.) deWit	koa haole	Nat	U2	<1>
Cordia subcordata Lam.	kou	Pol		<1>	Mimosa pudica L.	sensitive plant	Nat	0	
CAMPANULACEAE	and C.D. al. h.h.	N	D		Neonotonia wightii (Wight & Arnott) Lackey	glycine	Nat	U3	
Hippobroma longiflora (L.) G. Don CARICACEAE	star-of-Bethlehem	Nat	R		Samanea saman (Jacq.) Merr.	monkeypod	Nat		<1>
CARICACEAE Carica papaya L.	papaya	Nat		<1>	Senna surattensis (N.L. Burm.) H. Irwin & Barneby	kolomana	Nat		<1>
Carica papaya L. CASUARINACEAE	papaya	indt		<1>	Sophora sp.		Orn		<1>
CASCARINACEAE					uopiora ap.		0		-1-
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indet tree			R			paperbark	Nat		<1
GOODINACEAE					Metrosideros polymorpha Gaud.	'ōhi'a	End		<1
Scaevola taccada (J. Gaert.) Roxb.	naupaka kahakai	Ind		<1>		strawberry guava	Nat	A3	
LAMIACEAE						waiawi	Nat	0	
Leonotis nepetifolia (L.) R.Br.	lion's ear	Nat	R2		Fosberg Rhodomyrtus tomentosa (Aiton) Hassk.	downy myrtle	Nat	U	
LAURACEAE						Java plum	Nat	C	<1
Persea americana Mill. LEEACEAE	avacado	Nat		<1>		rose-apple	Nat	R2	<1
LEEACEAE Leea guineensis G. Don	amamali	Om		<1>		rose-appie mountain apple	Pol		
Leed guineensis G. Don LECYTHIDACEAE	amaman	Om		<1>	Perry	mountain appie	FOI		<1
Barringtonia asiatica (L.) Kurz	barringtonia	Orn		<1>	NANDINACEAE				
LOGANACEAE	oarmgiona	Om		212	Nandina domestica		Orn		<1
Fragraea berteroana Benth.	pua kenikeni	Orn		<1>	NICTAGINACEAE				
LYTHRACEAE	1					bougainvillea	Orn		<1
Cuphea hyssopifolia Kunth	false heather	Nat		<1>	OLEACEAE	~			
Lagerstroemia speciosa (L.) Pers.	giant crepe myrtle	Orn		<1>	Ligustrum sp.	privit	Orn		<1
MALVACEAE						olopua	End		<1
Gossypium tomentosum Nutt. ex Seem.	ma'o	End		<1>	Deg. & L. Johnson				~1
Hibiscus arnottianus A. Gray	koki'o ke'okeo	End		<1>	PASSIFLORACEAE				
Hibiscus kokio Hilleb.	koki'o 'ula'ula	End		<1>		yellow granadilla	Nat	А	
Hibiscus mutabilis L.	changeable rose-mallow	Nat		<1>	PITTOSPORACEAE				
Hibiscus rosa-sinensis L. cultivars	Chinese hibiscus	Orn		<1>	Pittosporum sp.				<1
Malvaviscus penduliflorus A.P. de	Turk's cap	Orn	R1		PLANTAGINACEAE				
Candolle						nrw-lvd plantain	Nat	U	<1
Sida rhombifolia L.	Cuba jute	Nat	R			brd-lvd plantain	Nat	U1	
Sida spinosa L.	prickly sida	Nat	R U		POLYGALACEAE	haddd a constant	N		
Sida sp. Thespesia populnea (L.) Sol. ex Corrêa	milo	Ind	U	<1>	Polygala paniculata L. PROTEACEAE	bubblegum plant	Nat	U	
MELASTOMATACEAE	muo	mu		<1>		silk oak	Nat		<1
MELASTOMATACEAE Melastoma cf. sanguineum Sims	fox-tongued melastome	Nat	R		ROSACEAE	SIIK Oak	INdi		~1
MELIACEAE	iox-iongued inelasionie	1 wat	R.			Yeddo hawthorn	Om		<1
Azadirachta indica Adr. Jussieu	neem	Om		<1>		thimbleberry	Nat	R	~1
MORACEAE	needl	om		~12	RUBIACEAE			ĸ	
Artocarpus altilis (Z) Fosberg	'ulu; breadfruit	Pol		<1>		coffee	Nat	0	
Artocarpus sp. 1		Orn		<1.4>		Tahitian gardenia	Orn	0	<1
Broussonetia papyrifera (L.) Vent.	wauke	Pol		<1>		gardenia	Om		<1
Broussonetia luzonica (Blanco) Bureau	alokón	Orn		<1>		ixora			<1
Ficus cf. dammaropsis	highland breadfruit	Orn		<1.4>		noni	Pol		<1
Ficus microcarpa L. fil.	Chinese banyan	Nat	R	.,		maile pilau	Nat	R2	<1
Ficus sp. 1		Orn		<1>		alahe'e	Ind		<1
MYOPORACEAE					Darwin				
Myoporum sandwicense A. Gray	naio papa	Ind		<1>		buttonweed	Nat	0	<1
MYRTACEAE					RUTACEAE				
Eucalypytus cf. paniculata J.E. Smith	ironbark	Nat	R	<4>		orange, other citrus plants	Orn		<1
Eucalyptus robusta J.E. Smith	swamp-mahagony	Nat	C2		SAPINDACEAE				
Eucalyptus sp.	gum	Orn	-	<1,4>		longan	Orn		<1
-1				<i>,</i>	Dodonaea viscosa Jacq.	ʻaʻaliʻi	Ind		<1

Filicium decipiens (Wight & Arnott) Thwaites ex H. D. Hook.	fern tree	Nat		<1>	Fimbristylis dichotoma (L.) Vahl HELICONIACEAE		Ind		<1>
SAPOTACEAE					Heliconia bihai (L.) L.	Jacquinii heliconia	Orn	R	
Chrysophyllum oliviforme L. STERCULIACEAE	satin leaf	Nat	U2	<1>	Heliconia rostrata Ruiz & Pavón	parrot's-beak heliconia	Orn		<1>
Brachychiton acerifolius (G. Don)	Illawarra flame tree	Orn			IRIDACEAE				
Macarthur	mawarra name ucc	OIII		<1>	Dietes grandiflora N. E. Brown	African iris	Orn		<1>
THYMELAEACEAE					LILIACEAE Hippeastrum sp.	amarvllis	Orn		<1.4>
Wikstroemia uva-ursi A. Gray	'akia	End		<1>	Ophiopogon japonicus (L. fil.) Ker Gawl.	dwarf mondo cult.	Orn		<1>
TURNERACEAE Turnera ulmifolia L.		N	R		Ophipogon cf. jaburan (Sieb.) Loddiges	variagated mondo	Orn		<1>
VERBINACEAE	yellow alder	Nat	R		Ophiopogon planiscapus Nakai	mondo grass	Orn		<1>
Clerodendrum quadriloculare (Blanco)		Orn			MUSACEAE	mondo grass	om		-1-
Merr.		5111		<1>	Musa hybrid	banana	Orn		<1>
Duranta erecta L.	golden dewdrop	Orn		<1>	PANDANACEAE				
Lantana camara L.	lantana	Nat	U	<1>	Pandanus tectorius S. Parkinson ex Z	hala	Ind	0	
Vitex rotundifolia L. fil.	põhinahina	Ind		<1>	POACEAE (GRAMINEAE)				
MONOCOTYLEDONES					Andropogon virginicus L.	broomsedge	Nat		<1>
AGAVACEAE					Bambusa vulgaris J.C. Wendl. 'Vittata'	golden bamboo	Orn		<1>
Dracaena fragrans (L.) Ger-Gawl.	fragrant dracaena	Orn		<1>	Bothriochloa pertusa (L.) A. Camus	pitted beardgrass	Nat		<1>
Dracaena marginata Lam.	money tree	Orn		<1>	Chloris barbata (L.) Sw.	swollen fingergrass	Nat	R1	<1>
Dracaena marginata 'Tricolor'		Orn		<1>	Coix lacryma-jobi L.	Job's tears	Nat	R1	<2>
Dracaena sanderiana M. T. Masters	sanderiana	Orn		<1>	Digitaria ciliaris (Retz.) Koeler Eleusine indica (L.) Gaertn.	Henry's crabgrass wiregrass	Nat Nat	U	<1>
ARACEAE Alocasia cucullata (Lour.) G. Don	<i>C</i> 1. ¹	N	D		Eregrostis pectinacea (Michx.) Nees	Carolina lovegrass	Nat	U1	<1>
Alocasia cucullata (Lour.) G. Don Colocasia esculenta I.	Chinese taro kalo	Nat Pol	R	<2>	Eragrostis tenella (L.) P. Beauv. ex Roem. &	Caronna lovegrass	Nat	01	<1>
Colocasia esculenta L. Dieffenbachia maculata (Lodd.) G. Don	spotted dumb cane	Orn	R	<1,2>	Schult.		INat		~12
Epipremnum pinnatum 'Aureum' J.	pothos	Nat	A		Eragrostis sp.		Nat	U2	
Linden & André	potnos	Ivat	А		Melinus repens (Willd.) Zizka	Natal redtop	Nat	R	<1>
Philodendron bipinnatifidum Endl.	selloum	Orn		<1>	Oplismenus hirtellus (L.) P. Beauv.	basketgrass	Nat	U	
Syngonium sp.	nephthytis	Orn	U		Paspalum conjugatum Bergius	Hilo grass	Nat	С	
ARECACEAE					Paspalum fimbriatum Kunth	fimbriate paspalum	Nat	U	<1>
Cocos nucifera L.	coconut palm	Nat		<1>	Paspalum sp. [crs t-grass]	indet.	Nat		
Dypsis lutescens (H. Wendl.) Beentje &	golden-fruited palm	Orn		<1>	Pennisetum purpureum Schumach.	elephant grass	Nat Pol	U1	<3> <1>
Dransfield	Maria Internation	Orn			Saccharum officinarum L.	sugar cane	Pol	U	<1>
Latania loddigesii Mart. Livistona chinensis (M. Jacq.) Mart.	blue latan palm Chinese fan palm	Nat	R3		Schizostachyum glaucifolium (Rupr.) Munro	one	P01	U	
Pritchardia sp.	chinese ran paliti	ivat	103	<1.4>	Setaria palmifolia (J. König) Stapf	palmgrass	Nat	R	
Ptychosperma macarthurii (Veitch) J. D.	Macarthur palm	Orn		<1>	Sporobolis cf. africanus (Poir.) Robyns &	smutgrass	Nat	С	<1>
Hook.	*				Tournay	a			
Raphis excelsa (Thunb.) Rehder	lady palm	Orn		<1>	Stenotaphrum secundatum (Walter) Kuntz.	St. Augustine grass	Nat		<1>
Roystonia cf. regia (Kunth) O.F. Cook	royal palm	Orn		<1>	Urochloa maxima (Jacq.) Webster	Guinea grass	Nat	AA	<1>
indet. palm		Orn		<1>	STRELITZIACEAE Ravenala madagascariensis Sonn.	traveller's tree	Orn		<1>
BROMELIACEAE					ZYNGIBERACEAE	uavener succ	Om		~1~
Neoregelia carolinae L.B. Smith	blushing bromeliad	Orn		<1>	Zingiber zerumbet (L.) Sm.	'awapuhi	Pol		<1>
CYPERACEAE Cyperus polystachyos Rottb.		Ind		<1>	9				
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		Legend to Table 1
us = distr	ibutional status	-
Endn	 endemic: native to 	Hawai'i and found naturally nowhere else.
Indn	 indigenous; native 	to Hawai'i, but not unique to the Hawaiian Islands.
Nat		plant introduced to the Hawaiian Islands since the arrival of Cook Expectablished outside of cultivation.
Om.	 exotic, ornamental cultivation, at least 	or cultivated crop; plant not naturalized (not well-established outside of at this location).
Pol =	Polynesian introdu	ction; brought to the Hawaiian Islands before 1778.
indance =	occurrence ratings for pla	nts on property in August 2010
	R – Rare -	only one or two plants seen.
	U - Uncommon -	several to a dozen plants observed.
	O - Occasional -	found regularly, but not abundant anywhere.
	C - Common -	considered an important part of the vegetation and observed numerous
	A - Abundant -	found in large numbers; may be locally dominant.

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In all, one mushroom, 10 ferns, three gymnosperms, and 203 taxa of flowering plants were recorded in the KCC survey area (Table 1). Another, approximately seven plants could not be identified and are not included in the table because of incomplete information: either a ritical identifying characteristic was missing, an indecipherable field note was recorded, a bad photograph was taken, and/or a collected specimen was lost or was in such poor condition as to not be identifiable in the lab. Further, vegetable garden areas and other enclosed growing areas were not entered and plants in these areas (presumably all cultured vegetables and weeds) are not listed. Many small, ruderal and lawn weeds were not the day before (David and Guinther, 2010), and their absence on the campus and surrounding KCC property may be real or an oversight based upon focusing on the many ornamental and unusual specimen plants present. Considering only those flowering plants, gymnosperms, and ferns found outside the landscaped areas (88 species), only five are arouvering along the margin of the guich. One early Polynesian introduction was recorded (ohe, bamboo, or Schizostachyum glaucijolium) here as well.

The planted or landscaping vegetation on the campus (and in the agriculture station includes a number of native and Polynesian introduced species. In all, 12 Polyn "cance" plants; 14 species of vascular plants indigenous to the Hawaiian Islands, a species of vascular plants endemic to these islands are recorded in Table 1. station area) s, and 11

As noted above, the vegetation in the abandoned agriculture fields north of the developed campus was dominated by Guinea grass growing so thick as to preclude surveying these areas except along old farm roads. Large abitzat trees are also present. Other species are seen invading the margins of the fields, and are listed as found on "undeveloped" land.

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Similar abandoned field areas on the adjacent Island School property were described thusly:

"The vegetation found in the undeveloped parts of the property consists of mixed The vegetation found in the undeveloped parts of the property consists of mixed areas of moderately open to closed forest, stributiond, and grassland. Forest tends to predominate, with mostly mature macaranga (Macaranga tunarius) and albiaia (Felacitaria moluccana) prese. Other species conspicuous but generally nor numerous, are Christmas berry (Schinus terebinthfolius), octopus (Schefflera actionphylla), and Java plum (Syzyguian cumini). Ground cover and understory shrubs and vines varied considerably from place to place." (David and Guinther 2010) 2010)

The greatest diversity of plants on undeveloped land was found in the gulch formed by Puhi Stream. Presumably, this area has not been disturbed for a while, and a mature secondary forest occupies the gulch bottom and the low sloping ground of the northern margin. This forest is mostly *Macaronga* tanarria, albizia and Java plam, becoming more diverse at the upper end with at least two species of euclyptus present. Other conspicuous plants, note upper end with at least two species of eucalyptus present. Other conspicuous plants, none particularly common, include rose apple (Szyagium (ambos), avocado (Persea americano), coffee (Coffea arabica), hala (Pandanus tectorius), and hamboo (Bambusa vulgaris and Schizostachyum glaucifolium); strawberry guava (Psidium cattleianum) forms thickets in some areas, although within much of the gulch, the forest floor is open due to heavy shading. Pothos (Epipremnum pinnatum 'Aureum') and yellow granadilla (Passiflora laur/folia) vines are abundant at the margin of the forest. An unidentified vine or liana was noted in the riparian area just west of the agriculture station. Stems were just extending as forma more the annihoted near on other batten usen formal. Thereme Bunia weighted and the station of the station station and the station and the station is a station batten and station and stations and the station and the station. Stems were just extending as the station of the station and t noted in the riparian area just west of the agriculture station. Stems were just extending as if from recently gerninated seeks on adult plants were found. Stream flow is variable and coming mostly from an old agricultural irrigation ditch. The guich floor is relatively flat and broad, forming muddy areas much rooted in by feral pig, but supporting some plants adapted to wetland conditions (e.g., Pteridium aquilinum and Cyclosorus interruptus). Other wet ground associated plants were observed along an irrigation ditch that crosses the agriculture planting area.

Avian Survey Metho

Twelve avian count stations spaced approximately equidistant from each other were sited within the campus, both within currently developed areas as well as in parts of the site, which are still undeveloped. Eight-minute point counts were made at each station. Stations were each counted once. Field observations were made with the aid of Leica 10 X 42 binoculars and by listening for vocalizations. Counts were concentrated in the early morning hours, the peak of daily bird activity. Time not spent counting stations was used to search the rest of the site for species and habitats not detected during count sessions.

Avian Survey Results

A total of 526 individual birds of 18 species, representing 15 separate families, were recorded during station counts (Table 2). An additional three species, Hawaiian Goose, or

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	, Common Moorhen (Galinula chloropus sand		
	vcticorax nycticorax hoactli), were recorded ing the site between count stations. Both the		
	dangered species under both Federal and S		
	es. The Black-crowned Night-Heron is an indi		
	ecies recorded during station counts, Pacific		
luvialis fulva), is an indig	enous migratory shorebird species. The remain	ning 17	species
orded are all considered	to be alien to the Hawaiian Islands.		
vian divarcity and dancitie	es were in keeping with the habitat present on	the cite	and it's
	the Island of Kaua'i. Four species, Common My		
	lia striata), Japaense White-eye (Zosterops jap		
	accounted 57.4 percent of all birds recorded		
ounts. The most common	ly recorded species was Common Myna, whic	h accou	nted for
	nt of the total number of individual birds recor	ded. An	average
f 44 birds were detected pe	er station count.		
Table 2	2 - Avian Species Detected – KCC Campus		
Common Name	Scientific Name	ST	RA
	ANSERIFORMES		
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	Anserinae - Geese & Swans		
awaiian Goose (Nēnē)	Branta sandvicensis	EE	I-5
uwunun uoose (nene)	branca sanavicensis		15
	GALLIFORMES		
	PHASIANIDAE - Pheasants & Partridges		
	Phasianinae - Pheasants & Allies		
ted Junglefowl	Gallus gallus	Α	4.75
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	CICONIIFORMES		
	ARDEIDAE - Herons, Bitterns & Allies		
attle Egret	Bubulcus ibis		1.67
lack-crowned Night-Heror	n Nycticorax nycticorax hoactli	IR	I-1
	GRIJIFORMES		
	GRUIFORMES RALLIDAE - Rails & Allies		
ommon Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus sandvicensis	EE	I-1
minor Moornen	Guinnaia emoropus sanavicensis	33	1.1
	CHARADRIIFORMES		
	CHARADRIIDAE - Lapwings & Plovers		
	Charadriinae - Plovers		
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Α	Alien species – introduced to Hawai'i by humans, and have become established in the wild
IM	Indigenous Migratory species -
RA	Relative Abundance: Number of birds detected divided by the number of count stations (12)

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 Incidental Observation – a species recorded while transiting the site, and not recorded during station counts followed by the number recorded

Mammalian Survey Methods

With the exception of the endangered Hawaiian hoary bat (Lasiurus cinereus semotus), or '*üpe ape'a* as it is known locally, all terrestrial mammals currently found on the Island of Kaua'i are alien species, and most are ubiquitous. The survey of mammals was limited to visual and auditory detection, coupled with visual observation of scat, tracks, and other animal sign. A running tally was kept of all vertebrate species observed and heard within the project area.

Mammalian Survey Results

Six mammalian species were detected during the course of this survey (Table 3). We saw several dogs (*Canis f Jamiliaris*) on leashes being walked by their owners, additionally; dog tracks and sign were encountered in numerous locations within the site. We saw three cats (*Felis c. catus*) within the study area. Numerous domestic cattle (*Bos Tauns*) were seen grazing pastures to the northwest of the developed site. One pig (*Sus s. scrofq*) was encountered caught in a pig snare at the edge of the guich to the west of the diversified agricultural facility, additionally pig tracks, sign, and scat were encountered within the site, sepscially within the thicky vegetated guich located to the west of the main camus. Scat and sign of goats (*Capra h. hircus*) and horse (*Equus c. cabhalus*) were encountered in one location along the unpaved road leading to the County of Kaua'i water tank on the west edge of the site. of the site.

No mammalian species protected or proposed for protection under either the Federal or State of Hawai'i endangered species programs were detected during the course of this survey (DLNR 1998, USFWS 2005a, 2005b, 2010).

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Discussion BCiNmSNInRasCurSasn n

The surveJ area within the MCC campus and the partlJ developed and undeveloped The surve) area within the MC campus and the part] developed and undeveloped surrounding lands lacks botanical resources that would merit special concern, with some eEceptions. In the undeveloped areas, the species present are common to lowland windward Mua& and are nearlj all non-native species (an eEception is the one or two xoa trees), and not requiring or disserving oUpreservation on this propert]. Within the Barmer agriculture station, a number oUunusual trees (including native species) have been planted agriculture station, a number oblumusial trees (including native species) have been planted over a long period oblime and how constitute a botanical resource work preserving. These trees should be worked into the landscaping oUkture development plans lør this particular area (southwest corner oUthe campus). Landscaping aller completion oUpro&et building plans would hold more promise for reanting valuable botanical resources than the present weed] growth in the undeveloped and lørmer sugar cane land.

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The Undings of the avian survej are consistent with the location of the propertj, and the habitat present on the site. Additionally, the Undings are consistent with at least one other recent avian survej conducted on the Island School campus, which is located immediately ad acent to the MLC site (David and Guinther 2010).

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Four of the 21 avian species detected during the course of this survey, Hawaiian Goose, or Něně, Common Moorhen, Pacific Golden-Plover and Black-crowned Night-Heron are native species. Něně, and Common Moorhen are listed as endangered species under both the state and federal endangered species statutes. We recorded a total of five separate Něně, and one Common Moorhen on the site. The Něně population on Kauaï is increasing at a fairly rapid pace, and is likely that if this increase continues that human - Něně interactions will continue to rise on the Island over time. Common Moorhen are relatively abundant and udde arexed on the Island of Varai. Thes can be found if Aravi. Thes can be found if Aravi. Thes can be found of Kauaï. The second be found of Kauaï. Thes can be found of Kauaï. wide spread on the Island of Kaua'i. They can be found in association with just about any kind of standing or running water no matter how ephemeral in nature. We also recorded 15 Pacific Golden-Plover during station counts, this species is an indigenous migratory shorebird species that nests in the high Arctic during the late spring and summer months, returning to Hawai'i and the Tropical Pacific to spend the fall and winter months each year They usually leave Hawai'i for their trip back to the Arctic in late April or the very early par of May each year. The remaining 17 avian species detected during this survey are all considered to be alien to the Hawaiian Islands (Table 2).

Although not detected during this survey, it is probable that the Hawaiian endemic sub-species of the Short-eared Owl, or Pueo (*Asio flammeus sandwichensis*) use resources in the general project area, as the yar regularly seen foraging over open fields in the low-to-mid elevation areas on the Island (David 2010).

Two other species not detected during this survey, Hawaiian Petrel (*Pterodroma* sandwichensis), and the threatened endemic sub-species of the Newell's Shearwater (*Puffinus auricularis newell*) have been recorded over-flying the project site between April and the end of November each year (David 1995, Morgan et al., 2003, 2004, David and Planning Solutions 2008). Additionally, the Save Our Shearwaters Program has recovered both species from the general project area on an annual basis over the past three decades: Moneycot et al. 2009, 2000. Devid end Diversion Schulter 2000 0000000 (Morgan et al., 2003, 2004, David and Planning Solutions 2008, Save our Shearwater Program 2009).

The petrel is listed as endangered, and the shearwater as threatened under both Federal The petrel is listed as endangered, and the shearwater as threatened under both Federal and State of Hawa'i endangered species statutes. The primary cause of mortality in both Hawaiian Petrels and Newell's Shearwaters is thought to be predation by alien mammalian species at the nesting colonies (USFWS 1983, Simons and Hodges 1998, Alniey *et al.*, 2001). Collision with mam-made structures is considered to be the second most significant cause of mortality of these seabird species in Hawai'i. Nocturnally flying seabirds, especially fedgilangs on their way to sea in the summer and fall, can become disoriented by exterior lighting. When disoriented, seabirds often collide with mammade structures, and if they are not killed outright, the dazed or injured birds are easy targets of opportunity for feral mammals (Hadely 1961, Telfer 1979, Sincock 1981, Reed *et al.*, 1985, Telfer *et al.*, 1987, Cooper and Day 1994, Podolsky *et al.*, 1998, Ainley *et al.*, 2001).

There are no nesting colonies nor appropriate nesting habitat for either of these listed seabird species within or close to the school site. The closest currently active Newell's Shearwater colony is located above Kaläheo, which is located approximately 9.5-kilometers

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southwest of the site (David et al., 2002). The closest known Hawaiian Petrel nesting colonies are located at the back of Limahuli, Wainiha, Lumaha'i, and probably Hanalei Valleys (David et al., 2002, DOFAW 2009).

alian Resources

The findings of the mammalian survey are consistent with the location of the property and The findings of the mammalian survey are consistent with the location of the property and the habitat currently present on the site. All of the six mammalian species detected during the course of this survey are alien to the Hawaiian Islands (Table 3). Although no Hawaiian hoary bats were detected during the course of this survey, bats have been recorded foraging for insects over the site in the past (David 1995), and within the general project area, on a regular basis (David 2010). Hawaiian hoary bats are widely distributed in the lowland areas on the Island of Kauzi, and have been documented in and around almost all areas that still have some dense vegetation (Tomich 1986, USFWS 1998, David 2010).

Although no rodents were detected during the course of this survey, it is likely that the four established allen *muridae* fund on Kaua'l, roof rat (*Rattus r. rattus*), Norway rat (*Rattus norweijcus*), European house mouse (*Mus musculus domesticus*) and possibly Polynesian rats (*Rattus edunos havalinsios*) use various resources found within the general project area. All of these introduced rodents are deleterious to native ecosystems and the native found to the survey of the surv faunal species dependant on them.

Potential Impacts to Protected Species

Botanical Resources

Botanical Resources No plant species currently listed as endangered, threatened, or proposed for listing under either the federal or the State of Hawai''s endangered species programs were recorded as growing naturally on the KCC property. One listed species was observed as an ornamental in a Hawaian native plant garden. Therefore, it is not expected that proposed expansion of the campus will result in deleterious impacts to any plant species currently listed as endangered, threatened, or proposed for listing under either federal or State of Hawai'i endangered species statutes (DLNR 1998, USFWS 2005, 2010).

Nēnē

The principal potential impacts that the additional development of the site poses to Nēnē is The pinicipal potential impacts that the autonoma development of the sine poses to reme is during the construction phase of the project, and following build-out by the increased number of humans and associated school activities. Although Něné on Kaua' tend to show a remarkable disregard of human activity, fatalities have occurred on construction sites, along roads, and numerous nests have failed due to human disturbance and as a direct result of predators taking eggs and goslings (David 2009a, Ebbin Moser + Skaggs, and Rana Biological Consulting, Inc. 2010).

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Hawaiian Petrel and Newell's Shearwater

Invaluant retrie and newes shearwater The principal potential impact that the development of the site poses to Hawaiian Petrels and Newell's Shearwaters is the increased threat that birds will be downed after becoming disoriented by outdoor lighting associated with possible night-time construction activity, and following build-out with exterior lighting associated with whatever structures and appurtenances that are built on the property.

Hawaiian Hoarv Bat

Hawaiian Hoary Bat The principal potential impact that the further development of the site poses to Hawaiian hoary bats is during the clearing and grubbing phases of the project. Areas that currently have dense vegetation are likely used to some degree by roosting bats, normally it is not thought that the availability of roosting habitat is a limiting factor in this species survival (Bonaccorso 2009). The principal threat that clearing potential roosting habitat poses to this species is between May and July when female bats may be carrying pups and potential may not be able to flee vegetation clearing activity quickly enough to avoid harm (Bonaccorso 2005, 2007, 2009) (Bonaccorso 2005, 2007, 2009).

Following build-out of the project lighting associated with the school, and landscaping vegetation will likely attract volant insects to the site, which in turn will provide bats with additional foraging opportunities.

There is no federally delineated Critical Habitat present on the school site or adjacent to the property. Thus the further development of the school will not result in impacts to federally designated Critical Habitat. There is no equivalent statute under State law.

Recommendation

- Since it is likely that endangered Něně will use resources on the site, and both Newell's Shearwaters and Hawaiian Petrels may fallout onto the site during the construction phase of the project, we recommend that an endangered species awareness program be developed which includes general information on the endangered species act and protected species, specific restrictions that will be in force on the job site to project endangered species, and a set of protocols on who, force on the job site to project endangered species, and a set of protocols on who, and how job site personnel will respond to any downed or injured endangered species that may occur on the site. All construction personnel should required to be familiar with the program, it's guidelines, restrictions and protocols that will need to be followed. Similar programs have been developed and are being used at several construction project sites, and resorts on the Island of Kaua'i.
- If construction activity is planned to occur during the Něně nesting season, which typically runs from October through March on Kaua'i, the project site should be

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surveyed by a qualified biologist before the onset of the construction, to determine if any active Nene nesting activity is occurring on the site

- · If active Nënë nesting does occur while construction is ongoing it may be advisable to have a Nene monitor on site during such activity to ensure that no harm befalls the birds.
- · If nighttime work will be required in conjunction with the development of the In ingratine work win be required in conjunction with the development of a project, it is recommended that lights be shielded to reduce the potential fc interactions of nocturnally flying Hawaiian Petrels and Newell'S Shearwaters wit external lights and man-made structures (Reed et al. 1985, Telfer *et al.* 1987).
- It is also recommended that all exterior lighting associated with the operation of the proposed facility be shielded so as to reduce the potential for interactions of nocturnally flying Hawaiian Petrels and Newell's Shearvaters with external lights and man-made structures (Reed et al. 1985, Telfer et al. 1987).
- It is recommended that if heavy vegetation on the periphery of the existing developed school facilities needs to be cleared, that clearing not occur between May 15 and July 15, when bats may be carrying young and potentially could be placed at risk by such clearing.
- Plantings of Munroidendron racemosum need to be protected (moved out of harm's way) if plans for future development include area(s) where these plants occur.

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