

#### O'AHU INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE

# **Monthly Report for March 2013**

## **Field Operations**

Miconia: Crew conducted aerial surveys over 186.8 acres, 330.87 acres of ground surveys and 131 acres of roadside surveys for miconia in 10 watersheds for a total of 649 acres surveyed in March!

Watershed	Acres Surveyed	Mature Controlled	Immature Controlled
Ahuimanu	24.5	0	0
Kaalaea	2.5	0	2
Kalihi	14	0	3
Kaneohe	16.32	0	0
Kawainui	134.45	0	6
Keaahala	18.47	0	0
Makiki	13.73	0	0
Manoa	14.7	0	5
Nuuanu	368.09	0	0
Waihee	42.23	0	0
TOTAL	648.99	0	16



The OISC field crew hunting for and identifying Spiked pepper at Waimea Botanical Garden

• Siam weed: Surveys and treatments for *Chromolaena odorata* conducted during three days in Kahuku.

Acres Surveyed	Mature	Immature	Total
62.32	52	109	161

• Spiked pepper: Surveys and treatments for *Piper aduncum* were conducted in Manoa and Waimea.

Watershed	Acres Surveyed	Mature	Immature	Total	
Manoa	59.4	0	29	29	Total
Waimea	34.67	0	2	2	31

## **Pest Response:**

- Coqui frog monitoring occurred in Waimanalo and 1 frog was detected. *Note: HDOA captured a coqui in Alewa Heights this month.*
- Little fire ant monitoring occurred at several City and County parks: Kailua Beach, Swanzy;
   Community Gardens: Manoa, Makiki; a green waste facility at Pearl Harbor; Sea Life Park; Aloha Stadium

#### Other:

- OISC celebrated the first Hawaii Invasive Species Awareness
  Week by attending events at the State Capitol, leading a
  volunteer trip at Lyon Arboretum and interfacing with the
  Project Noah BioBlitz species identification project! Visit
  http://www.hisaw2013.blogspot.com/ for more information on
  the HISAW events.
- The OISC outreach specialist, pest response technician and the Oahu Early Detection team hosted a booth at the Bishop Museum's Science Alive event
- There were two volunteer trips to Lyon Arboretum this month and each was a great success! One mature A. virens and 2 mature S. tonckat were controlled during these trips.



Lara Reynolds led two volunteer trips to Lyon Arboretum this month that removed 936 invasive plants.

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**OISC Volunteer Trip Control Results** 

Date	Ardisia sieboldii	Ardisia virens	Stromanthe tonckat	Total Plants
03/09	0	331	261	592
03/16	0	193	151	344
	·	·	<b>Total plants controlled</b>	936

• The Oahu Early Detection team conducted botanical garden surveys at Waimea Botanical Garden. They identified over 66 plant specimens collected by partner organizations and the public.

**OED Plant Specimen Identifications** 

Entity	# of ID's
Honolulu Botanical Gardens	12
NARS	1
Master Gardeners	1
Starr Environmental	19
Hank Oppenheimer	10
UH Manoa Grad Student	various
Public	23
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