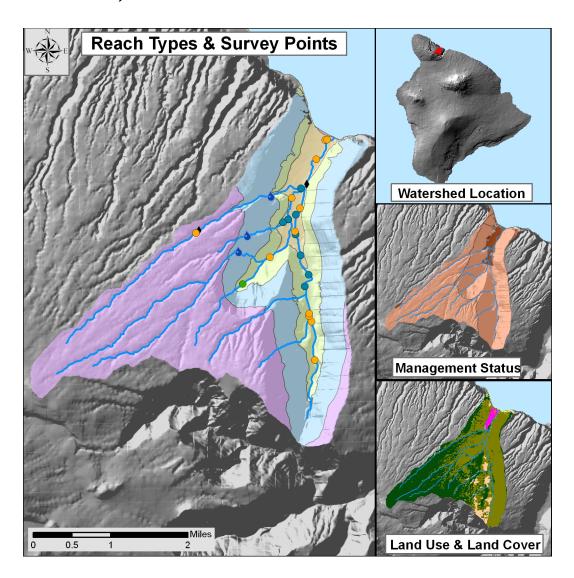
DAR Watershed Code: 81035

Waimanu, Hawai'i



WATERSHED FEATURES

Waimanu watershed occurs on the island of Hawai'i. The Hawaiian meaning of the name is "bird water". The area of the watershed is 8.6 square mi (22.3 square km), with maximum elevation of 4606 ft (1404 m). The watershed's DAR cluster code is 5, meaning that the watershed is medium size, steep in the upper watershed, and with little embayment. The percent of the watershed in the different land use districts is as follows: 0% agricultural, 100% 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.

<u>Military</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>OHA</u>	County	Nature Conservancy	Other Private
0.0	0.0	96.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9

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	
<u>Protection</u>	<u>Uses</u>	<u>Unmanaged</u>	<u>Unprotected</u>
0.0	95.0	1.1	3.9

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

	Percent	Square mi	Square km
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	4.5	0.39	1.01
Scrub/Shrub	47.2	4.06	10.53
Evergreen Forest	46.5	4.00	10.36
Palustrine Forested	0.0	0.00	0.00
Palustrine Scrub/Shrub	0.2	0.02	0.05
Palustrine Emergent	1.4	0.12	0.30
Estuarine Forested	0.0	0.00	0.00
Bare Land	0.2	0.02	0.05
Unconsolidated Shoreline	0.0	0.00	0.00
Water	0.0	0.00	0.00
Unclassified	0.0	0.00	0.00

STREAM FEATURES

Waimanu is a perennial stream. Total stream length is 16.7 mi (26.9 km). The terminal stream order is 3.

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

Estuary	Lower	<u>Middle</u>	<u>Upper</u>	<u>Headwaters</u>
0.0	0.0	22.0	15.7	62.3

The following stream(s) occur in the watershed:

Waihīlau Kakaauki Waiilikahi Waimanu

BIOTIC SAMPLING EFFORT

Biotic samples were gathered in the following year(s):

1968 1969 1976 1990 1991 1998

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>	<u>Headwaters</u>
DAR Point Quadrat	0	54	27	0	0
HDFG	0	6	5	0	1
Published Report	0	0	1	0	0

BIOTA INFORMATION

Native Species

Species List

Native Species

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Crustaceans	Atyoida bisulcata	Insects	Anax strenuus
	Macrobrachium grandimanus		Limonia jacobus
Fish	Awaous guamensis		Limonia sp.
	Eleotris sandwicensis		Limonia stygipennis
	Kuhlia sandvicensis		Megalagrion blackburni
	Kuhlia sp.		Megalagrion hawaiiense
	Kuhlia xenura		Procanacae acuminata
	Lentipes concolor		Procanace constricta
	Mugil cephalus		Scatella cilipes
	Sicyopterus stimpsoni		Scatella femoralis
	Stenogobius hawaiiensis		Scatella hawaiiensis
Snails	Neritina granosa		Scatella sp.
	Neritina vespertina		Scatella warreni
			Sigmataneurum sp.
			Telmatogeton sp.

Introduced Species Introduced Species

Amphibians	Rana catesbiana	Insects	Cheumatopsyche pettiti
	Ranid sp.		Chironomid larvae

Crustaceans Macrobrachium lar
Fish Clarias fuscus
Gambusia affinis

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

Scientific Name	<u>Status</u>	Minimum Size	Maximum Size	Average Size
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic	0.75	1.5	1.3
Macrobrachium lar	Introduced	1	12	3.8
Eleotris sandwicensis	Endemic	3.5	3.5	3.5
Kuhlia xenura	Endemic	6	6	6.0
Lentipes concolor	Endemic	2	2	2.0
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic	1	5	2.0
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous	0.75	8	3.7
Neritina granosa	Endemic	1.5	8	2.3

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>	Estuary	Low	Mid	<u>Upper</u>	<u>Headwaters</u>
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic		0.52	0.12		
Eleotris sandwicensis	Endemic		0.01			
Kuhlia xenura	Endemic		0.04			
Neritina granosa	Endemic		0.35			
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic		2.69	0.25		
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous		1.64	1.48		
Macrobrachium lar	Introduced		3.89	6.93		

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

Scientific Name	<u>Status</u>	<u>Estuary</u>	Lower	<u>Middle</u>	Upper Headwaters
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic		Р	Р	Р
Macrobrachium grandimanus	Endemic		Р		Р
Eleotris sandwicensis	Endemic		Р		
Kuhlia xenura	Endemic		Р		
Lentipes concolor	Endemic			Р	
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic		Р	Р	Р
Stenogobius hawaiiensis	Endemic		Р		
Anax strenuus	Endemic			Р	
Limonia jacobus	Endemic			Р	
Limonia stygipennis	Endemic			Р	
Megalagrion blackburni	Endemic			Р	
Megalagrion hawaiiense	Endemic			Р	
Procanacae acuminata	Endemic			Р	
Procanace constricta	Endemic			Р	
Scatella cilipes	Endemic			Р	
Scatella femoralis	Endemic			Р	
Scatella hawaiiensis	Endemic			Р	
Scatella warreni	Endemic			Р	
Neritina granosa	Endemic		Р	Р	Р
Neritina vespertina	Endemic		Р		
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous		Р	Р	Р
Kuhlia sandvicensis	Indigenous		Р		
Kuhlia sp.	Indigenous		Р		
Mugil cephalus	Indigenous		Р		
Limonia sp.	Indigenous			Р	
Scatella sp.	Indigenous			Р	
Sigmataneurum sp.	Indigenous			Р	
Telmatogeton sp.	Indigenous		Р	Р	
Telmatogeton sp.	Indigenous		Р	Р	

Rana catesbiana	Introduced	Р			
Ranid sp.	Introduced	Р			
Macrobrachium lar	Introduced	Р	Р	Р	
Clarias fuscus	Introduced	Р			
Gambusia affinis	Introduced	Р			
Cheumatopsyche pettiti	Introduced		Р		
Chironomid larvae	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): Yes Hawaii Stream Assessment Rank (1990): Moderate U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service High Quality Stream (1988): Yes 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.

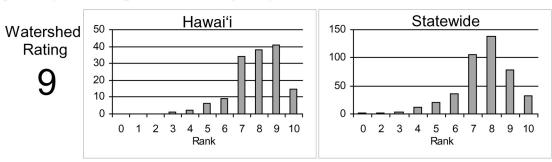
Native Insect Diversity > 19 spp.	Native Macrofauna <u>Diversity > 5 spp.</u>	Absence of Priority 1 Introduced
No	Yes	No
Abundance of Any Native Species	Presence of Candidate Endangered Species	Endangered Newcomb's <u>Snail Habitat</u>
No	No	No

CURRENT WATERSHED AND STREAM RATINGS

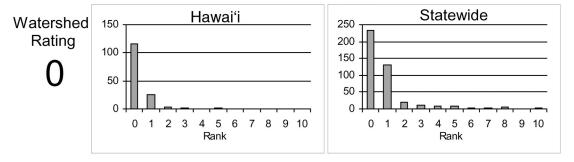
The current watershed and stream ratings are based on the data contained in the DAR Aquatic Surveys Database. The ratings provide the score for the individual watershed or stream, the distribution of ratings for that island, and the distribution of ratings statewide. This allows a better understanding 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: Waimanu, Hawai'i

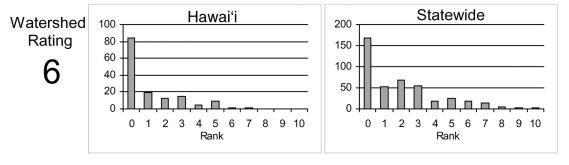
<u>Land Cover Rating</u>: Rating is based on a scoring sytem where in general forested lands score positively and developed lands score negatively.



<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.

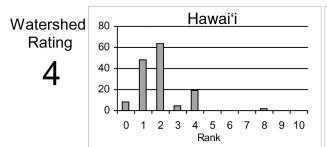


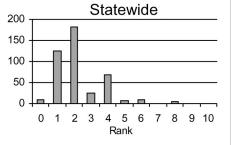
<u>Stewardship Rating</u>: Rating is based on a scoring system where higher levels of land and biodiversity protection within the watershed score positively.



WATERSHED RATING (Cont): Waimanu, Hawai'i

<u>Size Rating</u>: Rating is based on the watershed area and total stream length. Larger watersheds and streams score more positively.

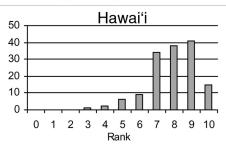


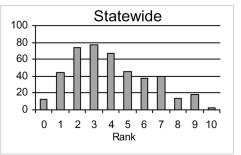


<u>Wetness Rating</u>: Rating is based on the average annual rainfall within the watershed. Higher rainfall totals score more positively.

Watershed Rating

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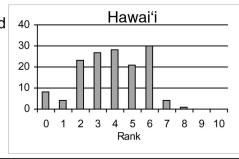


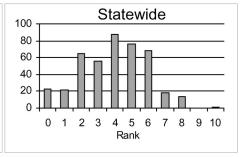


<u>Reach Diversity Rating</u>: Rating is based on the types and amounts of different stream reaches available in the watershed. More area in different reach types score more positively.

Watershed Rating

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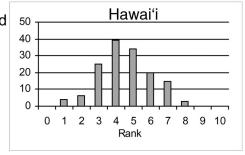


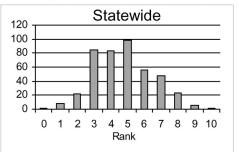


<u>Total Watershed Rating</u>: Rating is based on combination of <u>Land Cover Rating</u>, <u>Shallow</u> <u>Waters Rating</u>, <u>Stewardship Rating</u>, <u>Size Rating</u>, <u>Wetness Rating</u>, and <u>Reach Diversity Rating</u>.

Watershed Rating

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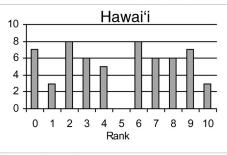


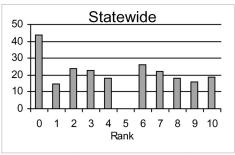
BIOLOGICAL RATING: Waimanu, Hawai'i

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

Stream Rating

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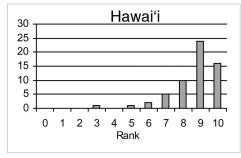


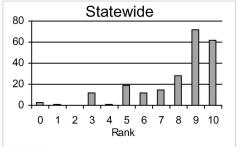


<u>Introduced Genera Rating</u>: Rating is based on the number of introduced genera observed in the watershed.

Stream Rating

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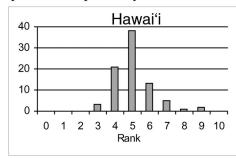


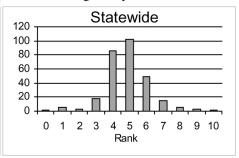


<u>All Species' Score Rating:</u> Rating is based on the Hawaii Stream Assessment scoring system where native species score positively and introduced species score negatively.

Stream Rating

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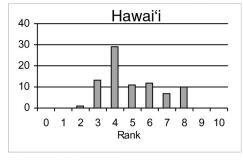


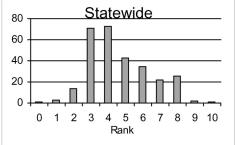


<u>Total Biological Rating</u>: Rating is the combination of the <u>Native Species Rating</u>, <u>Introduced Genera Rating</u>, and the <u>All Species' Score Rating</u>.

Stream Rating

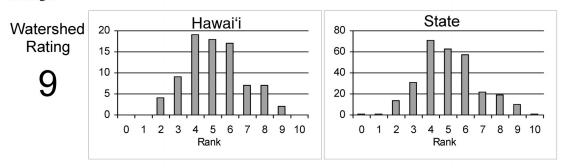
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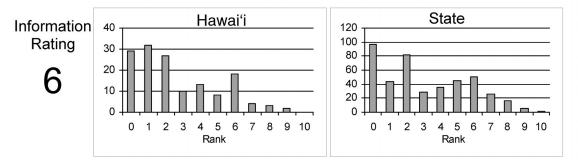
OVERALL RATING: Waimanu, Hawai'i

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



RATING STRENGTH: Waimanu, Hawai'i

<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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