

Hakipu'u Stream Restoration

Since 2012, Hui o Ko'olaupoko has worked to restore 700 feet of riparian habitat on 1.8 acres of land surrounding the head-water spring area of upper Hakipu'u Stream. Invasive plant species were removed and the area is currently being reforested with native vegetation. Native plants help to reduce the amount of sediment entering into Hakipu'u Stream and ultimately Kāne'ohe Bay. Additionally, enclosure fencing was installed to protect against domestic cattle and wild pigs destroying the native vegetation and eroding the stream banks.

Project accomplishments include:

- ✓ **700 feet of stream restored**
- ✓ **Over 3,500 volunteers and 6,000 volunteer hours**
- ✓ **10,000 native plants installed**

Project partners and funders include National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Hawai'i Community Foundation, Harold K.L. Castle Foundation, Kualoa Ranch, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Hawai'i Fish Habitat Partnership.

