

HFC Committee

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To: HFC Committee
Subject: FERAL ANIMAL MANAGEMENT ON MAUI (HFC-24)

Aloha County Council,

I am specifically writing to you today about feral cats and their management. There needs to be more support for TNRM (trap, neuter, return, manage).

If these animals are not being cared for with food and sterilization there will be more disease, more cats being born and the amount of cats will increase which is exactly what we do not want.

Banning the people doing this management is going to increase predation on native bird populations.

The people managing these cats want to reduce the feral cat population just as much as those who despise and want to kill off the feral cats.

There is no easy answer. The problem is a big problem.

There needs to be more TNRM. There needs to be more support for the people doing this work.

Everyone is doing the best they can for the cats, for the birds, for the island.

Please help the people managing the feral cats, do not create more problems with laws and fines.

I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,
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