

HFC Committee

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Subject: Feral Animal Management

Aloha,

I strongly support a ban on feeding feral cats. By nature cats are predators and there is no amount of food or even spay/neuter that will take the hunt drive out of them. I work in our native forests and watersheds across Maui Nui and it is embarrassing that we have NATIVE, ENDANGERED forest birds and ground nesting seabirds that continue to be depredated by cats. We are fighting to keep them from going extinct. You could argue that it is inhumane to the birds and native wildlife!

I also have had to fence my garden and am woken up nightly by cats outside my window because I have a colony near my home that some neighbors feed.

Cats belong indoors as pets.

Thank you for your time,

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