

Perspectives on a changing coastal ecosystem in Ewa Beach, Oahu: How can restorative aquaculture contribute to community-based ecosystem healing?



Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Noon – 12:30 p.m.

Via Zoom or in the NELHA Hale Iako Open Ocean Conference Room

<https://hawaii.zoom.us/j/99035470023?pwd=YjFybFVWQ2k1UW83MVM2eXBaQTcyZz09>

Uncle Wally Ito remembers, “I grew up eating limu” and going to Ewa Beach to collect limu manaua (Gracilaria coronopifolia). Once abundant on Hawai‘i’s shorelines and an important part of the traditional Hawaiian diet and indicator of healthy ahupua‘a, limu has experienced continuous decline over the past several decades. The main reasons for the decrease in limu are urbanization, improper harvesting, and shifting ocean conditions related to climate change. Native limu are also crowded out by the ubiquitous invasive “gorilla ogo” (Gracilaria sailcornia), which has taken over many reefs throughout the islands.

Join us on June 14 @ noon via Zoom to discuss the importance of limu and how and why it is being cultivated at the Anuenue Fisheries Research Center. What can be learned from its research, outplanting efforts, and its role in building community?

A Technology & Research Brown Bag in partnership with NELHA & the Hawai‘i Aquaculture Collaborative. Have an aquaculture topic to discuss and a problem to solve? Contact Kai at bradleyf@hawaii.edu.



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