Restoration Efforts Include

- Controlling invasive species
- Growing native seedlings in nursery
- Outplanting and tending native species
- Maintaining trails / managing deadwood





Before



Waiawi Wood Pile



Top: Clidemia, Middle: Waiawi (strawberry guava) Bottom: Endangered ha'iwale

Keau'ohana Forest Reserve



Located between Pahoa and Kalapana on HWY 130 near Black Sands at the intersection of Upper Puna Rd. (between mile marker 16 and 17)

Keau'ohana Native Rainforest Restoration A project of Hawai'i Environmental Restoration



Keau'ohana State Forest Reserve, in the Puna District of Hawai'i, is Hawai'i's last remaining native lowland rainforest <1,000 ft. It provides the last remaining critical habitat for many rare and endangered native species and is a reservoir of unique plant biodiversity found nowhere else in the world.

Since 2014, Keau'ohana has undergone intensive restoration to control invasive species and to plant native species on 30 acres in the most biodiverse portion of the reserve. Keau'ohana is serving as a living classroom for student and community groups to learn about native species, native forest restoration and lowland issues of invasion.

Native Species:







Kolea





'le 'ie





Waiawi



Clidemia



Kukae Maile

Melastoma

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Hapu'u



Ha'iwale



Thimble Berry Cecropia





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1. Volunteer opportunities

- Join our quarterly work parties
- Volunteer on regular crew days
- Schedule a separate group event
- Offer special outreach skills







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Mahalo Nui Loa!