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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
WATER & LAND**

**Tuesday, March 22, 2022
9:30 AM**

State Capitol, Conference Room 430, Via Videoconference

**In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 82/HOUSE RESOLUTION 73
URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO
EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF EXPANDING THE MOUNT KA'ALA NATURAL
AREA RESERVE TO INCLUDE THE SLOPES OF MOUNT KA'ALA,
PARTICULARLY IN THE WAIALUA DIRECTION**

House Concurrent Resolution 82/House Resolution 73 urge the Department of Land and Natural Resources to explore the possibility of expanding the Mount Ka'ala Natural Area Reserve to include the slopes of Mount Ka'ala, particularly in the Waialua direction. **the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports these measures.**

The Department is willing to explore the option to expand the Mount Ka'ala Natural Area Reserve to further protect native ecosystems. A map is attached which shows the Reserve, and the adjacent Mokulē'ia Forest Reserve which is also managed by the Department's Division of Forestry and Wildlife for native ecosystem, watershed, and other resources. Below (north) of those Reserves is private land.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these measures.

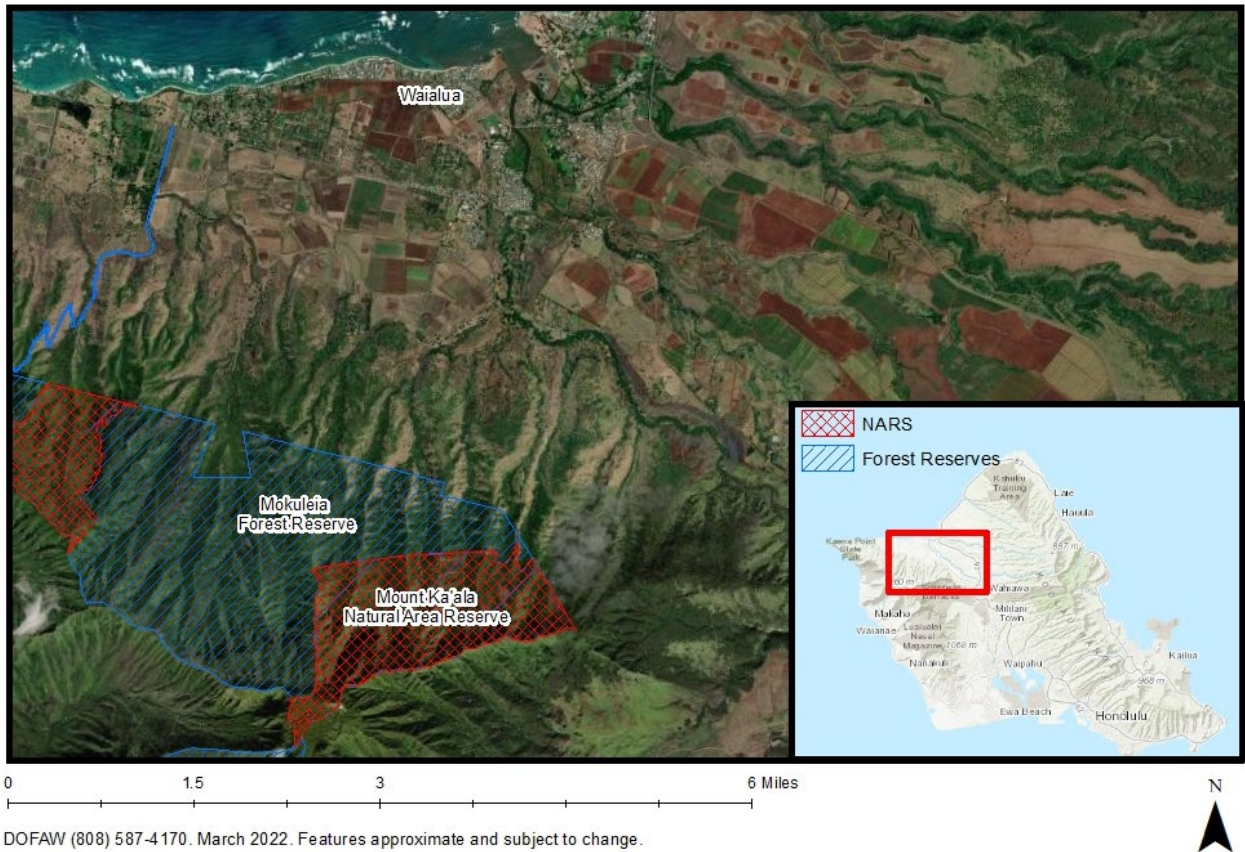
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Mt. Ka'ala Natural Area Reserve



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