Kuhialoko Background Information

Site Name: Kuhialoko

Ahupua'a: Waiawa

For more information on Waiawa, please visit https://www.ksbe.edu/assets/site/special_section/ regions/ewa/Halau_o_Puuloa_Waiawa.pdf

Cultural-Historical Summary of the 'Ewa Moku

(From the 'Ewa 'Āina Inventory): https://www.ksbe.edu/assets/site/special_section/ regions/ewa/Halau_o_Puuloa_Cultural-Historical-Summary.pdf

Landowner: Kamehameha Schools

'Āina Site Stewards: Ali'i Miner & 'Ohana

Steward Contact email: meahaurockdahale@yahoo.com

Website: N/A

Site Physical Address: 96-121 Waiawa Road, Pearl City, Hawai'i, 96782

Site Mana'o

Shared by the site steward to EAEI participants in 2020

Kuhialoko, located at Waiawa Kai, Oʻahu, educates and works to restore the land and the species connected to its health while bringing families together to strengthen their relationships with each other, their community, and the surrounding environment. Through the Waiawa Kai Native & Cultural Wetland Revitalization Project, the hui sees this shift in mindset to a more open and interconnected relationship with 'āina and 'ohana as the first step in restoring abundance and a sense of community ownership and kuleana to Pu'uloa, an area riddled by a long history of military occupation and displacement. (Information from hawaiipeoplesfund.org)

Restoration Work

- Kuhialoko has several fishponds on their site; they are currently working on expanding in the back towards the water.
- Along with restoring the fishponds on their property, Kuhialoko works hard to provide and protect wetland habitats for native seabirds.
- Specific programs and activities offered include native ecosystem restoration, land restoration, natural habitat, removal of invasive species, loko i'a, loko kalo, māla 'ai, ola kino.

Site Features

- Loko i'a/fishpond with native fish such as 'o'opu and `anae (mullet)
- Many freshwater springs on the property; showing the abundance of wai in this area
- Lots of native birds/wetland birds





Video Resources:

'Ewa 'Āina Education Initiative Virtual Training, an introduction to Kuhialoko
 This video clip was a recorded presentation by the Paty-Miner brothers; during an `Ewa `Āina
 Education Initiative Virtual Training Session and is available via the following URL:
 <u>https://vimeo.com/466974882</u> (From start - 14:50)

