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The Wildlife Society (TWS), Hawai'i Chapter is composed of wildlife professionals within the State of Hawai'i. TWS Hawai'i Chapter is dedicated to the conservation and preservation of flora and fauna endemic to the Hawaiian Islands.

TWS Hawai'i Chapter is in strong support of the Proposed Action alternative described in the East Maui Mosquito Suppression Environmental Assessment (EA). Given that this alternative does not appear to have any significant negative impacts, an Environmental Impact Statement is not needed for this project. Due to the grave consequences that no action would have for many of our threatened and endangered native species, swift implementation of the Proposed Action is needed. This is a well described project with valid data and methods. Monitoring will be important as well as a well-focused communication plan with the public- making sure that they understand the positives, that no harm will come to them, native wildlife, or to water or cultural resources, and that cultural practitioners and hunters will still be allowed access.

Again, the TWS Hawai'i Chapter is in support of the Proposed Action and the EA as it is written.

Mahalo for the opportunity to comment on this important EA.