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**SIERRA CLUB, MAUI GROUP**  
**JANUARY TO MARCH, 2009 NEWSLETTER**

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**Sierra Club members are invited to attend our monthly meetings.**  
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**where and when the next meeting is and to add an agenda item you want to discuss.**

**CHAIR'S REPORT**  
**VOTE BY MAIL**  
**By Lance Holter**

All of Hawaii experienced a dismal voter turnout for the 2008 primary election. On Maui it was a pathetic 25% of eligible voters and statewide it was 37%. We need a big idea to change the participation for the next round of elections in 2010 because among other important races, we will be electing our next Hawaii Governor.

One way to increase voter participation would be to have Hawaii go to a direct mail in ballot system like the state of Oregon did in 1997. When the State shifted to that system, turnout increased and Oregon had the third highest turnout in the Country for the 2004 election at 71%. Further, voting by mail has reduced election costs from \$4.33 per vote down to \$1.24 per vote according to the State of Oregon, as well as, widespread voter satisfaction, as demonstrated from several surveys.

In the study: "Five years later: A re-assessment of Oregon's Vote By Mail Electoral Process," by Priscilla L. Southwell, University of Oregon (2003), the voting process is described and voter satisfaction detailed. The study and survey found that almost 90% of voters over 65 years of age and those under 25 preferred voting by mail as opposed to voting at a precinct polling place. "One third of the respondents to the survey stated they vote more often with the vote by mail - particularly women, the disabled, homemakers and those aged 26-38 years old."

I wanted to get a first hand report on the Oregon experience so I called the former Hawaii Campaign Spending Executive Director, for 11 years, Bob Watada, now retired and living in Oregon. As I called he was harvesting Fill Burt nuts on his small farm attempting to salvage some from the squirrels and blue jays that were competing for the nuts with Bob and his wife Rosa. I asked Bob what the process was like... "very, very easy," he said. I asked how do you get registered and he said at "...most banks, the Post Office,

Drivers License bureaus and libraries" to name some locations. "The cut off is October 14<sup>th</sup> before the November 4<sup>th</sup> election and it is well advertised on the radio and in the newspapers. You receive a confirmation card in the mail and the ballot is mailed three weeks before the election. If you don't get a ballot in the mail or you register to close to the election or you don't mail your ballot in by four days before the election there is walk-in voting available and you can always just choose to vote at a polling place."

I was concerned, like many I suppose, about voter fraud in Oregon and when I asked Bob about this he said he hadn't heard or read of any instances, he also said if you spoil a ballot you just call for another. In fact he felt vote by mail was better because there is a paper trail after you vote. I asked Bob to fax me a copy of the "Oregon voter registration Card" just to see what it looked like compared to our Hawaii registration document. It required a valid driver's license number, or the last four digits of your social security number. You could also provide one of the following: a valid photo ID, a paycheck stub, a utility bill, a bank statement or a government document. Very, very, easy.

Considering Hart Inter Civic wants to charge Hawaii 43 Million Dollars for their voter services and machines, I think Hawaii must seriously consider vote by mail and have it in place for the next election.

### **GROUP ACTIVITIES**

On September 7th we had our traditional election year Red, White and Blue Picnic. All candidates were invited to come and speak and meet the voters. Fun was had by all. Candidates had outrigger canoe races, food was served and there was even a silent auction.

### **UPDATES ON MAUI CONSERVATION ISSUES**

**By Lucienne de Naie**

**North Shore Heritage Park:** The Draft Maui Island Plan (MIP) under discussion has language supporting a North Shore park from Baby Beach to the lime kiln site, but very little land on the mauka side of Hana Highway. Citizens need to keep pushing for the coastal and mauka sections of the park, the expansion of Ho'okipa Park and the addition of a greenway corridor (mauka of Hana Hwy) connecting Baldwin and Ho'okipa. For more information, go to [www.mauicounty.gov](http://www.mauicounty.gov) and click on planning department, then click on Long Range Planning and then click on General Plan 2030. Keep up your support for the Park through the Maui Island Plan (MIP) review process which will be completed in Jan -Feb, 2009. To receive alerts sign up at [www.mauisierclub.org](http://www.mauisierclub.org). Also, please see [www.northshorepark.org](http://www.northshorepark.org).

**Pali to Puamana Parkway:** The concept of an 8 mile parkway makai of any realigned Honoapiilani Hwy route is supported in the 2030 MIP. Several private developments are being proposed along the route that would place a number of houses and a partial park between the proposed bypass and the existing coastal road. A new highway "realignment" route is under discussion. Contact public interest rep on the advisory committee, Lucienne de Naie \_\_\_\_\_.

**East Maui Streams:** The State Water Commission settled a 7 year old citizen petition to amend (increase) stream flows in 27 East Maui streams in September. Sierra Club submitted comments supporting restored stream flows. Stream diversions are being altered in 8 East Maui streams to release several million gallons of water back into streams that communities depend upon.

**'Iao & Waihe'e Stream Restoration:** Plans for a proposed water treatment plant (a partnership between A&B and Maui County) using Iao & Waihee stream waters, have been put on hold until the water commission settles legal challenges filed by Hui o Na Wai Eha and Maui Tomorrow on the amount of water that should be returned to the streams. Decision expected in first half of 2009.

**Sustainable Energy:** Maui Group Chair Lance Holter organized a very informative presentation on a proposed solar thermal facility that could be built on Maui. Check our Sierra Club's Sea Change Hawaii campaign to boost energy efficiency and reduce carbon emissions at [www.seachangehawaii.org](http://www.seachangehawaii.org). Sierra Club activists continue to monitor all plans to help shape a viable local renewable energy future for Maui. For more information: [www.HawaiiBioFuel.org](http://www.HawaiiBioFuel.org).

**Plastic Bag Ban:** A ban on plastic bag use in Maui County will go into effect in 2011. Thanks to Council Member Molina and his staff and all who worked hard to pass the bill.

**Superferry Update:** The superferry Draft EIS is still not complete and the advisory group appointed by the Governor to monitor the vessel's activities will disband soon. Concerns about Maui sealife being shipped to O'ahu continue. December 18th the State Supreme Court will hear arguments from Maui Tomorrow and Save Kahului Harbor Coalition's appeal challenging the constitutionality of the legislature passing a special law to exempt superferry from environmental review. For updates go to [www.SaveKahuluiharbor.com](http://www.SaveKahuluiharbor.com).

**Haleakala Solar Telescope (ATST):** Members of Kilakila o Haleakala, a citizen's group urging an alternative site for the 14 story energy hog telescope have been joined by native Hawaiian environmental alliance Kahea and several other groups in questioning the

benefits of the telescope plan. Some federal agencies have questions as well. The project's EIS is on line and comments are still being taken. Haleakala was recently recognized internationally as one of Earth's sacred sites. Telescope issues include use of ceded lands, huge size and energy uses of the project and lack of appropriate respect for an internationally recognized sacred site. For more info, go to [www.kilakilahaleakala.org](http://www.kilakilahaleakala.org).

**Honolua Bay development:** Maui Land and Pine has proposed granting a conservation easement on the lands of Lipoa Point, Honolua Bay and valley in exchange for the right to add a 60 room hotel and TVR use to around 600 luxury units in the adjoining Kapalua Mauka development. Kapalua Mauka was specifically granted approval with no TVR's permitted to ease traffic concerns on the two lane Honoapiilani Hwy. A resolution is being heard in county council to accept the offer of an easement, but the council is asking to modify the TVR part of the agreement. For more updates, go to [www.savehonolua.org](http://www.savehonolua.org).

**Wailea 670:** The 1400 unit Wailea 670 development had its approval process challenged by 5 citizens. On November 17, Judge Cardoza ruled that their concerns were not a breach of the sunshine law. It is unknown if an appeal will be made. A new EIS is being prepared for the project, which is now acknowledged to have an endangered species of native moth and a number of rare plants. A possible habitat preserve area of 100 acres is being discussed. Maui Group supports preservation for the whole southern 200 acres of Wailea 670.

**Makena Resort Rezoning:** This large (1,000 condo units) ultra-luxury project has used the economic downturn to press its case for immediate rezoning with council members being bullied into accepting 33%, not 50% affordable housing dedication. Club members are concerned about an outdated EIS, massive grading that will impact reefs and water quality and lack of water and other infrastructure. It's also possible that this "members only" style gated community with private golf course and beach club will further commercialize the entire Makena area, even the state park. Six Council members who received campaign donations from Dowling Co. appear to support this rezone request. Council members Mateo, Anderson and Johnson have concerns and voted NO at first reading. Final vote is expected in December, but the public comment process will continue with Special Management Area Review in 2009. For updates on hearings and actions on either project, go to [www.savemakena.org](http://www.savemakena.org).

**Food Security:** Sustainable life styles, home and community gardens, energy updates, a local economy and lots more are being discussed on a lively new action-oriented blog hosted by Sierra Club board member Rob Parsons. Check it out: [www.mauifoodsecurity.com](http://www.mauifoodsecurity.com).

**Maui Island 2030 Plan:** Public meetings and discussions will resume in January and February as final decisions on the MIP and its urban growth boundary maps are made. Club ally, Maui Tomorrow, has created several "Preferred Future" maps to offer a "Plan B" for Maui's future growth. Check out: [www.maui-tomorrow.org](http://www.maui-tomorrow.org).

### **THE SUPERFERRY CHRONICLES**

**By Karen Chun**

The Superferry Chronicles is a riveting tale of intrigue and corruption—and an inspiring popular uprising against rampant commercialization. Impeccably researched, The Chronicles exposes hidden connections to defense industries preparing for Pacific conflicts, and an ambitious governor pandering to powerful military investors. Her administration gives the mammoth catamaran—bigger than a football field—a free pass to blaze its way at forty miles per hour through protected whale breeding grounds and transport dangerous invasive species to fragile ecosystems—despite stringent environmental laws and a unanimous Supreme Court stop-order. More information can be found at [www.SuperferryChronicles.com](http://www.SuperferryChronicles.com).

Kaua'i author, Koohan Paik, speaks eloquently on the local cultural context while Jerry Mander brings his experience in investigative writing to bear on the back story of corporate maneuverings, U.S. Defense Department global strategy, and political ambition.

### **MAKENA RESORT REZONING PASSES LAND USE COMMITTEE**

**By Karen Chun**

In this time of economic downturn, the magic word, "Jobs" seems to clear away all obstacles for developers including general plan provisions, zoning, lack of water and lack of infrastructure. The County Council Land Use committee agreed to rezone the Makena Resort property to allow:

- 1,077 high-density luxury condo units.
- Maui Prince Hotel torn down and replaced by condos.
- 28 acre site south of present Prince Hotel built as multi-story TVR condos (89 units?).
- 10 acre shopping center behind Kalani heiau.

- 8 acre shopping center next to an ancient Hawaiian farming village.
- Expanded sewage treatment plant.
- Water de-sal plant & brine injection wells?
- Affordable housing? None on site.
- Public parks: Makena Resort will be in charge of planning the future of Makena State Park. Makena Resort will "run" Makena landing.

Opponents speculate that since Makena Resort's financial backer, Morgan Stanley, has financial challenges, the resort may not be built in the near future and those hoping for jobs will be disappointed as the zoning change serves only to make the project more valuable to yet another buyer. The rezoning goes to the full council (the same folks who were on the Land Use Committee) in early December. More information is available at [www.SaveMakena.org](http://www.SaveMakena.org).



### CONTINUOUS SPECIAL SERVICE EVENTS

**Maui Coastal Land Trust Waihe'e Coastal Dunes and Wetlands Restoration:** Be a part of restoring an ancient fish pond and other sites which have a major cultural significance and participate in a remarkable learning experience. Every Friday, 8 am to noon. No need to register, just show up. Go to Waihe'e and turn toward the ocean on Halewau Road. Turn left onto the dirt road marked "Maui Coastal Land Trust" and park at the parking lot overlooking the ocean. This area is called "Roundtable." For more information, please call Scott Fisher at the Maui Coastal Land Trust at 808 244-5263 and/or go to: [www.mauicoastallandtrust.org](http://www.mauicoastallandtrust.org) and click on Waihe'e Coastal Dunes and Wetlands. MCLT also offers a free guided walk of the Waihe'e Coastal Dunes and Wetlands on the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 am. Call 244-5263 for more information and to make a reservation. Spots fill up quickly, so call early. The MCLT is a 501c3 charitable organization. This is not a Sierra Club activity.

**Project Malama Honokowai:** This is a service trip and you will be helping in an archaeological stabilization, reforestation and education project known as Project Malama Honokowai. Every Saturday from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. A very special experience! Simply meet at 9:00 am at the intersection of Honoapiilani Highway (between mile marker 25 and 26) and Pu'ukoli'i Road at the "Sugar Cane Train" station parking lot in Ka'anapali. You don't have to register - just show up. In the mountain valley above is a three mile long valley with significant archaeological ruins where an estimated 600 ancient Hawaiian families once lived. For more information and to confirm the date, please call Ed Lindsey at 808 572-8085. This is not a Sierra Club activity.

**Project Malama Hanaula:** Help reforest the area around and above the Kaheawa Wind Farm above Ma'alaea. Meet every Sunday from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. Park in the public parking lot near Carl's Jr. Restaurant at Ma'alaea. Carl's Jr. is located next to the gas station at the stop light. Then carpool 2,000' up to the wind farm where the view is incredible. Help remove alien species and re-plant endemic plants and learn about the area and the wind farm. The wind farm currently consists of 20 1.5 MW turbines and provides 9% of the electricity for Maui and 18 more turbines are planned. Bring your camera, lunch, water and suntan lotion. For more information and to confirm the date, please call Ed Lindsey at 808 572-8085. Also, please go to [www.kaheawa.com](http://www.kaheawa.com). No registration is necessary - just show up. This is not a Sierra Club activity.

**Malama Makena:** First Saturday of each month, Save Makena [www.savemakena.org](http://www.savemakena.org) sponsors a cleanup effort in or around Makena State Park. Call Angie Hoffman at 357- 3134 for details on meeting time and place. This is not a Sierra Club activity.

**Community Work Day Cleanups:** If you know places that need to be cleaned up and would like to organize it with friends or an organization you belong to, you can call Community Work Day at 877-2524 and they will provide you with trash bags, advertise your location in the newspaper to get more volunteers to help you, and coordinate having a truck come out and pick up all the trash you bag and leave along the roadside. Community Work Day is a 501c3 charitable organization and organizes these clean ups state-wide five times a year. They are truly a wonderful organization!! For more information please go to [www.cwdhawaii.org](http://www.cwdhawaii.org). This is not a Sierra Club activity.

### **MAUI GROUP HIKES AND ACTIVITIES**

Please be prepared for outings. Bring lunch, water, rain gear, sunscreen and sturdy footwear. Hiking boots are recommended and please trim your toenails. No kidding! Hiking can cause "tennis toe." A donation of \$5 (\$3 for Sierra Club members) is requested of hikers over age 14. Please register early. Pre-registration is required for some hikes. Call the hike leader number shown below. Also, please check our web site, [www.mauisierraclub.org](http://www.mauisierraclub.org), and click on Hikes and Activities for additional hikes and outings and/or changes which we have added after this newsletter was published. Mahalo!

### **DECEMBER HIKES AND EVENTS**

**Sunday, December 21:** From La Perouse Bay, hike south on the Kings Highway to one of the most remote and beautiful areas on Maui. Visit anchialine ponds (unusual shallow ponds with tiny red shrimp) and archeological sites along the way. We have lunch and swim on a beautiful sandy beach. Bring swimsuit, lunch, water, hat and sunscreen. 6 mile roundtrip all day hike. Meet at Kihei Community Center (Lipoa Street & Piilani Highway) at 8:30 am to carpool. Leader: Bob Babson. Limit 18. Call Bob at 874-1166 to register.

### **JANUARY HIKES AND EVENTS**

**Saturday, January 10:** Pali Trail Hike. Hike to the top of the Pali. Spectacular views of whales, ocean, mountains and the Kaheawa wind farm. This is the same trail ancient Hawaiians walked to get from Lahaina to Wailuku. It rises from sea level to 1,500 feet and is 6 miles round trip. Bring lunch, water, sunscreen and camera. Meet 8:30 am at Pali trailhead (Lahaina side of tunnel just as the highway comes down to sea level – approx. mile marker 10.8). Limit 18. Hike leader: Bob Babson. Please call Bob at 874-1166 to register.

**Saturday, January 17, 8:30 am to noon:** Community Work Day: Aloha Aina Cleanup! To volunteer, please call CWD at 877-2524 for the cleanup nearest you. This is not a Sierra Club activity.

**Tuesday, January 20:** Maui Sierra Club Board of Directors meeting 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Flatbread Company upstairs in the Board Room, 89 Hana Highway, Paia. Sierra Club members are invited to attend and share their ideas. Please email Karen Chun at \_\_\_\_\_ to confirm meeting time and place and to discuss any agenda item you would like to discuss.

**Thursday, January 22:** Visit Kahanu National Botanical Garden in Hana and see the largest heiau in Hawaii, beautiful plants and trees, and sweeping ocean views. \$10/person entrance fee. Then, visit beautiful Hamoa Beach where we will swim and eat lunch. Meet 8:30 am at the Haiku Community Center and carpool to Hana. Bring bathing suits and lunch. Limit 18. Hike leader: Bob Babson. Call Bob at 874-1166 to register.

### **FEBRUARY HIKES AND EVENTS**

**Saturday, February 7:** Sierra Club Annual Membership Meeting. 11am-3pm, Kaunoa Senior Center, Spreckelsville. Members and general public welcome. Awards, updates and panel discussion at noon. Potluck picnic to follow (main dish and beverages provided). Please check for updates at: [www.mauisierraclub/maui](http://www.mauisierraclub/maui). Sierra Club t-shirts (Great new colors) and other items will be for sale. Please come and talk story! Free!

**Sunday, February 15:** Kanaio Stupa Tibetan Monastery - Hike 1.5 miles up steep grade to this beautiful monument/shrine built in 1982. Meet 9:00 am across from Grandma's Coffee House to carpool. Bring lunch, camera and rain gear just in case. Limit 18. Hike leader: Bob Babson. Call Bob at 874-1166 to register.

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**Saturday, February 21:** Maui's Whale Day Celebration sponsored by the Pacific Whale Foundation. 10 am to 5 pm at Kalama Park on South Kihei Road (by the big whale statue). The Sierra Club will have an information booth in "Eco-Alley." Come enjoy and

talk story. Free admission.

**Saturday, February 28:** Explore Makamakaole Stream. This is a beautiful hike up a valley loaded with ancient taro "loi's." Bring bathing suit, lunch and water. Water tabs recommended for stream crossings. Three miles round trip. We will pick out a nice pool to swim in and have lunch. Meet 8:30 am at Waihee Grammar School where we will carpool. Leader: Bob Babson. Limit 18. Call Bob at 874-1166 to register.

### MARCH HIKES AND EVENTS

**Saturday, March 7:** Maui Coastal Land Trust's famous "Buy Back the Beach" Lu'au and Auction at the Old Lahaina Lu'au. The Maui Coastal Land Trust is a non-political, non-profit organization that works with private landowners, neighborhoods, community groups and government agencies to protect significant environmental and cultural resources in perpetuity. The protected resources are site specific and may include shoreline access and recreation, endangered species habitat, agricultural lands or culturally significant sites. Call 244-5263 for more information and to buy tickets. This is not a Sierra Club Activity.

**Sunday, March 8:** Hike spectacular Skyline Trail above the timberline with vistas of the Big Island 100 miles away on a clear day. Witness numerous cinder cones from Haleakala's most recent eruptions. See feral goats grazing in the distance. Strenuous four mile hike round trip at high elevation (10,000') begins and ends at Skyline trailhead parking lot near Science City at the top of Haleakala. Meet 8:30 am at Pukalani Terrace Shopping Center (Bank of Hawaii). Carpool to top. \$10/car entrance fee to Haleakala National Park. Bring camera, water, lunch, hiking boots and warm layers of clothing. Limit 18. Leader: Bob Babson. Call Bob at 874-1166 to register.

**Saturday, March 14:** Haiku Ho'olaulea and Flower Festival. Free admission! Music, food, contests, auction, farmer's market, historical display & family fun!! Check out the Maui Group PLANT SALE booth in the Farmer's Market! 9 am-3:30 pm, Haiku Community Center on Hana Hwy. Plant sale help needed. We need donated plants as well as volunteers to work at the event. Start your keiki plants now! Please go to [www.mauisierraclub.org](http://www.mauisierraclub.org) for updates and who to call to volunteer and donate plants.

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### INFORMATIVE WEB SITES

To contact your Federal officials, go to [www.usa.gov](http://www.usa.gov).

To contact your State officials, go to [www.hawaii.gov](http://www.hawaii.gov)

To contact ALL State Senators with one email, go to [sens@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:sens@capitol.hawaii.gov)

To contact ALL State Representatives with one email, go to [reps@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:reps@capitol.hawaii.gov)

To contact your County officials, go to [www.mauicounty.gov](http://www.mauicounty.gov)

All sites are very educational and contain lots of email addresses. Let them know your thoughts on the issues! They really do read their email and you can make a difference!!

\*Note: At the Maui County website: [www.mauicounty.gov](http://www.mauicounty.gov), click on "Email Notifications" in the left column. You can then sign up for all council and committee meeting agendas and other information such as civil defense, road closures, high wind notifications, high surf warnings, flood alerts, press releases, etc. They will all be emailed to you for free. After you read the council and committee agendas emailed to you, you can email your testimony to the council chair or committee chair shown on the agenda and it will be made available to all council or committee members to read. You don't even have to leave home to testify! It will also become a permanent part of the meeting records and interested citizens can review your testimony by going to the "Council Services" office and asking for all testimony on a specific proposed ordinance. Make sure to reference the agenda item by number you are testifying about so it gets filed correctly by Council Services.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

If you would like to join the national Sierra Club or renew your membership, please go to [www.sierraclub.org](http://www.sierraclub.org) and click on "Join or Give." When you join the national Sierra Club, you automatically also join both the Hawaii State Chapter and the Maui Group and receive the national Sierra Club magazine, the Hawaii Chapter newsletter "Malama" (to take care of) and the Maui Group newsletter. The national Sierra Club now has over 1,300,000 members nationwide and is a leading organization in the fight to preserve the environment and stop global warming for future generations to enjoy. Think what America would be like today if environmentalists had not fought to preserve it 20, 40 and 60+ years ago. Did you know that "Big Beach" almost became a hotel? But because of environmentalists in the early 1970's, it was bought by the state for future generations to enjoy forever!! Please tell your friends to join!! Anyone can join for as little as \$25.00 per year.

Also, whether you are a member or not, everyone is welcome to surf our national home page at [www.sierraclub.org](http://www.sierraclub.org). It is highly informative of all the projects we are working on nationwide. Anyone can sign up for email alerts of environmental actions the national Sierra Club is taking and how you can help by emailing your elected Senators and Representative asking them to vote for vital legislation that will preserve our environment. Please also surf our Hawaii Chapter home page for State of Hawaii environmental news at [www.hi.sierraclub.org](http://www.hi.sierraclub.org), and our Maui Group home page at [www.mauisierraclub.org](http://www.mauisierraclub.org) for Maui County environmental news.

## **DONATIONS**

If you would like to make a donation to the "Sierra Club, Maui Group" which is not tax deductible but which will help us pay for our direct lobbying of government officials here on Maui to protect the environment, please make your check out to "Sierra Club, Maui Group" and mail it to POB 791180, Paia, HI 96779-1180. Mahalo! For more information about what we are doing, please go to [www.mauisierraclub.org](http://www.mauisierraclub.org).

If you would like to make a TAX DEDUCTIBLE donation to the Sierra Club Foundation, please make your check out to the "Sierra Club Foundation, Maui Group Account," and mail it to 85 Second Street, Suite 750, San Francisco, CA 94105. Your donation will be used here on Maui to protect the environment for future generations. The Sierra Club Foundation is a 501c3 organization and is active in environmental education and the enforcement of environmental laws to protect our environment. Its federal tax ID # is 94-6069890 for your tax records. The Sierra Club Foundation will send you a letter meeting all IRS donation requirements for your tax records. If you would like to mention us in your will, your IRA and/or your 401k, just say: "Sierra Club Foundation, Maui Group Account" and include the Federal ID # above. For more information, please go to [www.tscf.org](http://www.tscf.org).

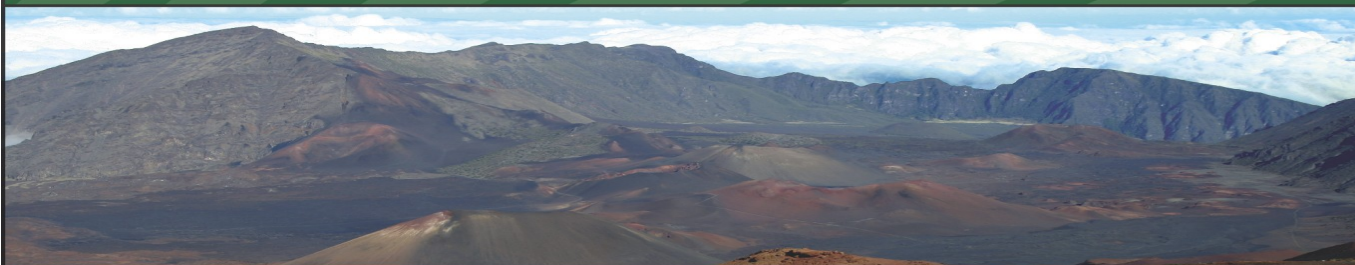
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**Who Will Defend Our Environment?**



**THE SIERRA CLUB WILL!**

**And you can too, become a member now!**

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