



# OED Activities 2008

- Roadside surveys for 2008 started in Wahiawa, continued south, then headed east, ending in Manoa.
- Roadside finds included:
  - Several naturalizing *Tillandsia* species, including *T. polystachia*, *T. recurvata*, *T. balbisiana*, *T. gardneri*, *T. stricta*, *T. juncea*, *T. bulbosa*, and *T. polystachia*
  - Naturalizing Orchidaceae, including *Vanda tricolor*, *Dendrobium crumenatum*, and *Dendrobium antennatum*
- New records for 2008 were documented in the *Bishop Museum Occasional Papers* - 19 new naturalized records, 8 new state records, and 15 new island records were recorded (in press).
- Hotspot surveys included the Foster Garden Plant Sale, Naval Exchange, Army PEX, Chinatown (Kudzu survey), and Kmart (*Pennisetum villosum* seeds found on tips from Detection Community members).
- Intern Josh Atwood visited from the University of Rhode Island.
  - Assisted us with outreach, including posters *What Not to Plant*, and *Oahu's Worst Invaders*.
  - Also wrote a policy article: *Plant Importation and Noxious Weed Regulation in Hawai'i: Current Policy and Future Directions* by J. P. Atwood, D. Frohlich, A. Lau, and R. Neville. Seeking publication.
- Assisted Big Island Early Detection with developing target list, making voucher specimens, and road survey protocol.
- Two new volunteers, Martha Coleman and Lot Lau joined our team, and assist us with specimen mounting and other collection upkeep.
- Future projects include:
  - Completing roadside surveys
  - Using roadside and hotspot survey data to advise the Oahu Invasive Species Committee on species for eradication or control
  - Surveys of botanical gardens on Oahu

