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\$3M to help protect wildlife on Lanai

A total of \$2.9 million in federal funds will go toward increasing the resilience of endangered wildlife on Lanai, Hawaii U.S. Sen. Ed Case announced Friday.

It's a portion of a combined \$10 million coming from the U.S. Department of Defense to implement four natural resource conservation projects under DOD's Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration Program.

The program will also provide \$3.1 million for the detection of land- and water-based invasive species near military installations on Kauai, Oahu and Hawaii island; \$2.7 million to preserve threatened and endangered species and enhance watersheds on Oahu; and \$1.3 million to mitigate impacts on rare plants on Hawaii island.

The federal funds will be matched with \$18.5 million in private partner contributions, including \$4.8 million for the Lanai resiliency project.

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