The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with current updates on fruit fly populations instatewide. We hope this information will be useful to you.

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Area Wide Annual Meeting  May 23, 2002  Kona, Hawaii
On April 24, 2002, HAW-FLYPM held its annual area wide (AW) fruit fly integrated pest management (IPM) conference in Kona, Hawaii. Program collaborators from state, federal, university, private industry and cooperators were all represented.

Prior to the daylong AW conference, a field tour was coordinated to demonstrate full implementation of AW fruit fly IPM technologies at the Kamuela implementation site. Field tour activities included parasitoid & sterile insect technology (SIT), facility tour, augmentorium and GF-120 protein bait demonstrations, SIT releases, farm tours, grower interviews, followed by a cooperator sponsored, “Hawaiian Style BBQ-Pauhana.”

The AW annual conference agenda consisted of updates on AW program components, i.e., Research economics, education, regulations, pesticide registrations, site implementation activities, etc. The highlight of the program was HAW-FLYPM cooperators who delivered invaluable testimonials of HAW-FLYPM’s impact in their respective areas.

New Community Educators
Statewide
HAW-FLYPM welcomes Linda Fujitani (Maui) and Nancy Honda (Kamuela) to the HAW-FLYPM team as new community extension educators. The new educators will educate community members and backyard growers about the AW fruit fly IPM program/components and strive to gain community support of area wide implementation activities.