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The Watershed Snapshot project is a status report on ridge-to-reef health. In consultation with the Hawai’i Conservation Alliance, communities across the State identified metrics that would best define the health of their area, including socio-economic and cultural variables. In 2016, available data from researchers and resource management organizations were compiled to inform the selected metrics. Results are housed as a public resource in an online library of all related watershed-related data, and can be found at hca.maps.arcgis.com. The information is compiled as a suite of communication tools to help inform, guide, and garner support for more effective mauka-to-makai management efforts.

Visit www.hawaiiconservation.org/communitysnapshot for more information.

In March 2016, a water quality training with community members resulted in data collection from two sites. Communities received water quality kits and are in the process of developing monitoring plans for on-going data collection.