Please Report Mongoose Sightings Immediately



Kaua'i Invasive Species Committee

Call KISC (808) 821-1490

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The Small Indian Mongoose is up to 26 inches long with a long brownish body and short legs. The bushy tail is as long as the body. They have small rounded ears and a pointed nose. Mongoose are active during the day and sleep at night. They prey on the eggs and hatchlings of native ground nesting birds and endangered sea turtles. These pests can sneak onto Kaua'i through cargo shipments. KISC captured the first live mongoose on Kaua'i on May 23, 2012 and another on June 29, 2012. There have been multiple credible sights reported since the captures. It is important to report mongoose sightings immediately!

What can you do?

We are currently working on verifying if there are reproducing populations of mongooses on Kaua'i, so it is important to report sightings immediately. If you believe that you have seen this pest, record its location and call KISC at 808/821-1490. KISC is currently working on trapping mongoose on Kaua'i.