

## **Miconia found in your neighborhood!**

Please study these pictures and inspect your property carefully for anything you might suspect is Miconia.

In order to stop this pest we need to search every possible hiding place in the affected area.

If you think you have found Miconia, Please call us at (808)821-1490.



Miconia Plant

If you or anyone you know has seen this plant, please let us know at:

**Kauai Invasive Species Committee  
808/ 821-1490**

Email us at  
[kisc@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:kisc@hawaiiantel.net)

[www.kauaiisc.org](http://www.kauaiisc.org)

## **PEST Alert!**

### **MICONIA**



*Miconia calvescens*



Tel: 808-821-1490

## How it Spreads



Miconia Seeds

Miconia is a fast growing tree that produces millions of tiny seeds that can easily be spread by birds, water, and soil attached to muddy boots and tires.

## How To Identify



Miconia Plant

Miconia leaves are purple on the bottom and velvety green on top with 3 white veins.

It can grow up to 50 feet and thrives in both the shade and sunlight.

## Miconia on Kauai

Originally brought in as an ornamental plant, Miconia has now spread into the Wailua River State Park, Wailua River Game Management area and the Wailua Homesteads.

In order to eradicate this weed we need to keep records of where plants are found and be able to make follow up visits to remove any sprouting seedlings.

Please inspect your property carefully for anything you might suspect is Miconia. If you need assistance conducting a search, crews are available to help.

If you think you have found Miconia, please call (808) 821-1490.



Found Miconia Plant

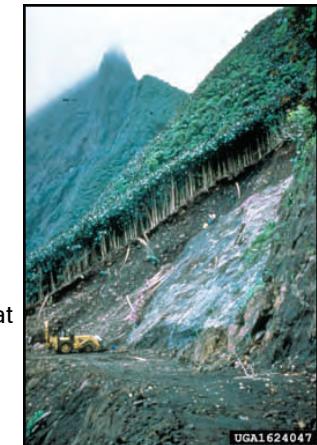
## Why is it a Threat

Miconia causes erosions that can destroy our reefs.

Miconia destroys our watershed.

Miconia kills the understory and habitat for our native birds.

Miconia has taken over 70% of Tahiti's forest. Don't let this happen to Kauai!



Landslide in Tahiti caused by  
Miconia Plant

## How We Control It

If Miconia plants are found, we ask that you permit KISC personnel to destroy this noxious weed by pulling smaller plants or cutting and locally applying herbicidal treatment to larger plants.



Telephone: 808 / 821-1490