

Fire Safety Information Available on the Internet

An on-going compilation of links and information that are relevant to our lava desert environment:

Big Island Wildfire Prevention

County of Hawaii Fire Prevention Bureau

Hawaii Wildfire Management Organization

Hawaii County Fire Department



Emergency Preparedness

Reminder: Make videos of your home, property and valued items

<https://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan>

Fountain Grass

The Big Island Invasive Species Committee is clear that fountain grass presents a **critical fire threat** on the west side, and recommends “Property owners should control it where possible, as it is too widespread for island-wide control by BIISC. It is also recommended that communities maintain “fuel-breaks,” wide areas free of fountain grass, particularly in dry months.”

The State of **Hawaii Invasive Species Council** classifies fountain grass as high risk, particularly to the west side of the Big Island.

Here is a **well-written blog entry** discussing fountain grass on the Big Island.

Aloha to Flammable Fountain Grass: Fuels Management Comes to the Big Island of Hawaii -- this document describes the Pu‘u Anahulu Fuels Management Project to determine the effectiveness of different roadside fuels treatments on fountain grass using a collaborative approach.