South Kohala Coastal Partnership Vision:

A restored, healthy, abundant, resilient South Kohala coastal system, cared for and cherished by an island community guided by the values and traditions of Kohala.

The partnership includes representatives from over 30 organizations, agencies, schools, resorts and community groups that are committed to achieving this vision.

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Projects

The State’s Hawaii Coral Reef Strategy identifies coral reef ecosystems along the South Kohala district coastline as a priority management site. The South Kohala Conservation Action Plan (SKCAP) identifies the priority threats, conservation targets and strategies. The SKCAP is the guiding document for the partnership.

The area of focus includes the marine and coastal habitats along 24 - miles from the north boundary of Kawaihae ahupua‘a to the south end of Anaeho‘omalu Bay.

Projects include mauka (mountain) to makai (ocean) management strategies to help reduce the priority threats.

South Kohala Conservation Action Plan

Conservation targets:
- Coastal and Marine Food Resources
- Coastal Wetlands
- Community Kinship and Stewardship
- Coral Reef Ecosystems
- Native Reef Herbivores
- Native Reef Predators

Priority threats:
- Unsustainable Fishing Practices
- Land Based Sources of Pollution
- Invasive Species

Conservation Strategies:
- Community Partnerships
- Community Co-managed Areas
- Fisheries Management
- Sediment Reduction
- Invasive Species Removal & Prevention
- Additional threat analysis

Understanding the Consequences of Land Based Pollutants on Coral Health in South Kohala
The Nature Conservancy

Coral Settlement and Environmental Conditions
University of Hawaii Manoa, Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology

Community Based Fishing Moon Calendar
University of Hawaii Manoa, Fisheries Ecology Research Lab

Ungulate Exclusion and Sediment Reduction
Kailapa Community Association

Stream Corridor Assessment
Sustainable Resources Group Intr’l Inc.

Coastal Water Monitoring Tool Kit (C-Water Kit)
University of Hawaii Sea Grant

Implementation of Best Management Practices to Reduce Nonpoint Pollution and Storm Water Runoff in the Wai‘ula‘ula Watershed
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