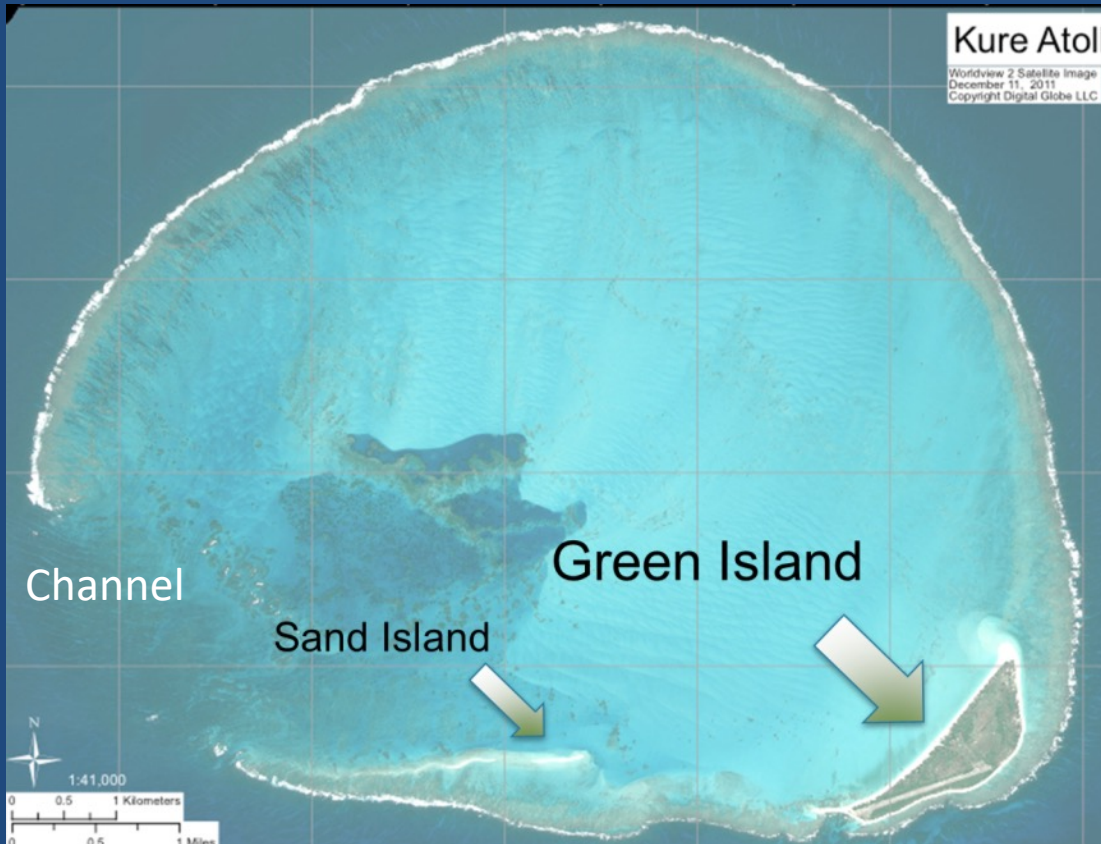


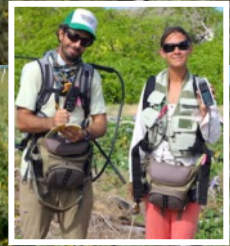
DLNR Kure Atoll Wildlife



Controlled Invasive Species

Verbesina encelioides

2007



Pheidole megacephala



Invasive species Management

- Southern house mosquito (*Culex quinquefasciatus*) **ERADICATED 2021**

Arrived on their own in 2016. Weekly water treatments. All marine debris that holds water should be dumped.

- Black Rat (*Rattus rattus*) **ERADICATED 2016**

One individual introduced and captured Aug 2016 during PCB clean up of the USCG Landfill.

- Polynesian Rat (*Rattus exulans*) **ERADICATED**

Eradicated By DLNR/DOFAW post USCG closure of Loran station in **1994**

Seed bank of *Verbesina* nearly extinguished after 20 years of effort by DOFAW

- 2016 VERENC Total = 200,040
- 2017 VERENC Total = 87,159
- 2018 VERENC Total = 47,928
- 2019 VERENC Total = 40,236
- 2020 VERENC Total = 15,328

Est. < 6,000 *Verbesina* will be removed in 2021

Marine Debris



Joint effort NOAA, PMDP, DOFAW
5 year old female (VH26) saved
Sept 5, 2021 - 16,000 lbs removed



Kure Laysan duck adult population est. 81

10 - 20 Additional individuals planned to be
translocated from Midway to Kure in Fall 2022



Kure Winter 2021 team training on Oahu offshore
Wildlife Sanctuary team Departs Sept 30, 2021
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