KAMANANUI VALLEY

1. Kamananui Valley Road (4.0 mi / 6.4 km)

Directions: From Honolulu, head west on Lunalilo Fwy-H1. Near Middle Street keep left on Rte 78. Continue to "Moanalua Valley" Exit 19B. Once off the highway turn right on Ala Aolani Street. Continue on Ala Aolani to the Moanalua Valley Park at the end of the road. Park in the parking lot here. Note: The park is closed and the gate is locked at a certain hour. The time should be posted on the gate.

Route: Once you are at the park proceed up the dirt road to the chain link gate. The gate will have regulation and safety information signs on it. Please read the signs and proceed up the road. This road is an easy hike through the lush forest of Kamananui Valley. Along the way you will see numbered post that are references for a brochure once handed out to the public by the Moanalua Gardens foundation. The Na Ala Hele program will be placing new interpretive signs at these sites. The road is unimproved and is only used by vehicles for management. Permits are not issued for public vehicle use of this road. The road has seven bridges that are accompanied with stream fords. If you follow the fords into the streambed when it is dry, you can see the beautiful stonemasonry work of the bridges. The road is a total of 4 miles from beginning to end, making it 8 miles roundtrip. At roughly 2½ miles up the road on your left is the Kulana'ahane Trail.

2. **Kulana'ahane Trail** (2.75 mi / 4.4 km)

Directions: Same as Kamananui Valley Road.

Route: Once you are at the park proceed up the dirt road to the chain link gate. The gate will have regulation and safety information signs on it. Please read the signs and proceed up the Kamananui Valley Road for 2½ miles until you see the Kulana'ahane trailhead sign on your left. The trail begins by crossing a stream. The trail will cross the stream 28 more times before the last 1/4 mile of trail. It is for this reason that it is NOT recommended to hike this trail in Heavy rains due to flash flooding. After the last stream crossing there is an Unmaintained Trail sign. At this point the trail is no longer maintained by our trail crew. Therefore, the trail becomes steep, narrow and slippery. It is recommended that at this point novice hikers stop and enjoy the small clear pools of the last crossing rather than continue to the end of the trail.

