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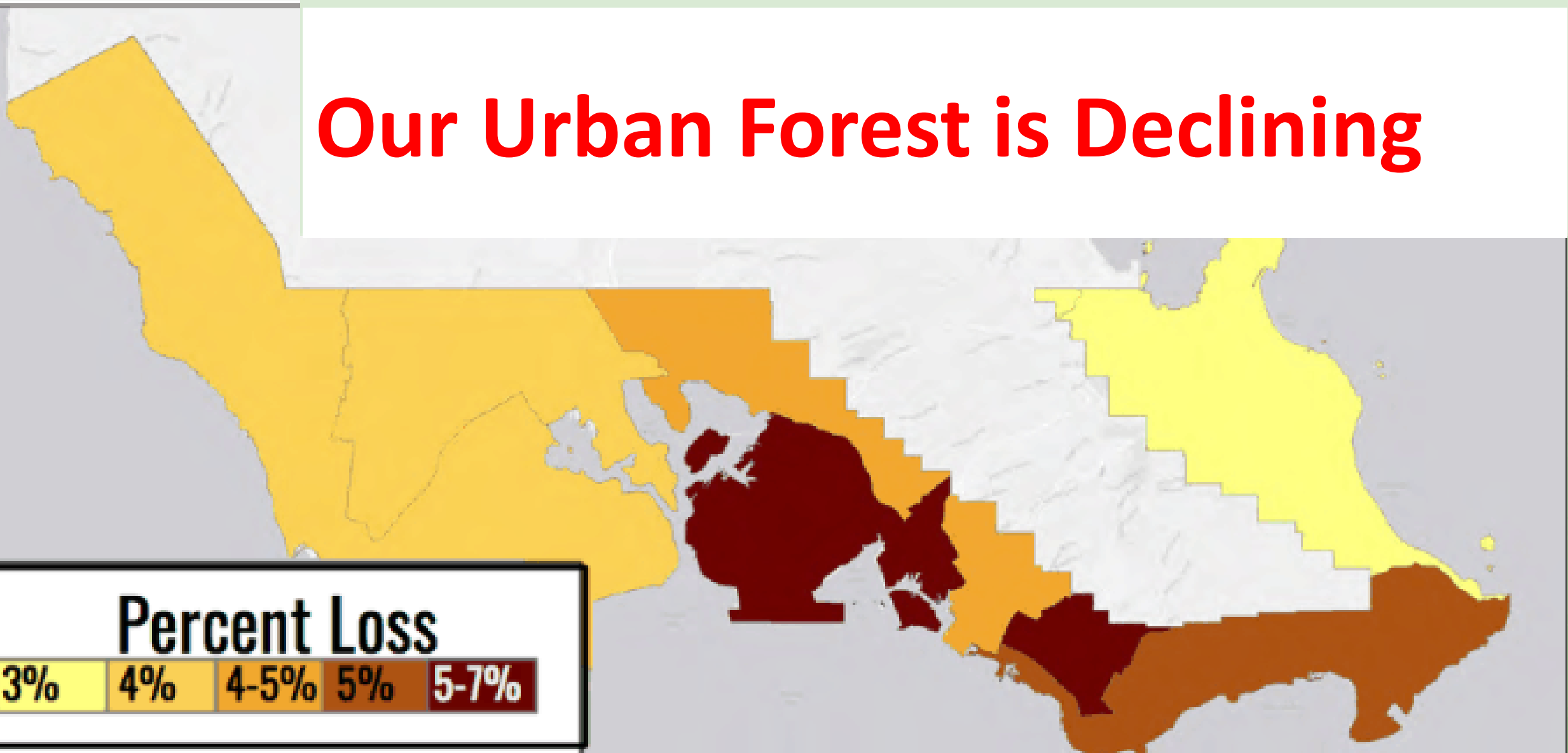
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Honolulu is Hot  
Trees are Cool



# Percent Losses of Oahu Urban Tree Canopy

**Our Urban Forest is Declining**



# Tree Canopy

0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60%

Scranton Metro Area, PA

Fairfax County, VA

Charlotte, NC

Pittsburg, PA

Washington, DC

Indianapolis, IN

South Burlington, VT

Chicago, IL

Baltimore, MD

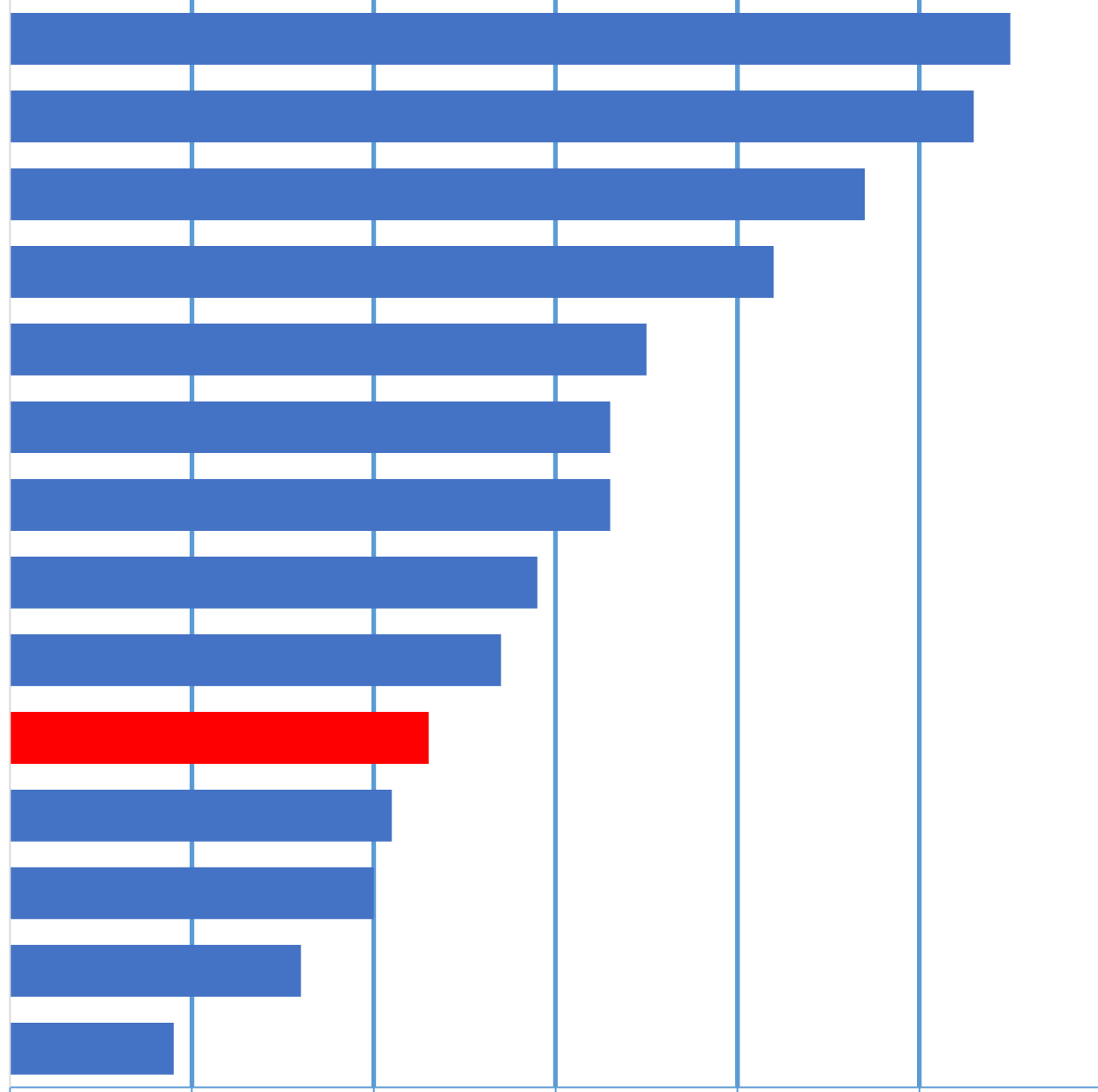
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Philadelphia, PA

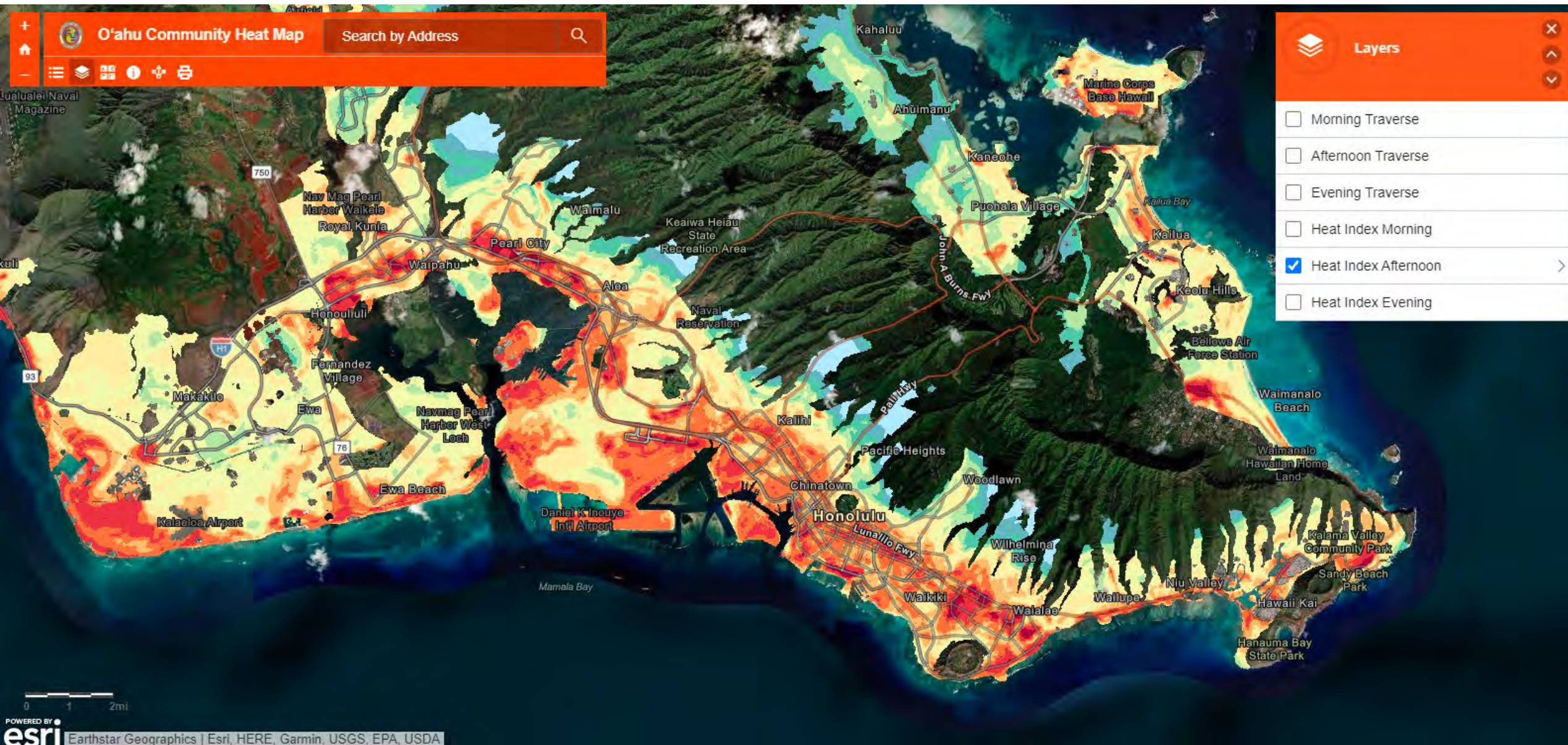
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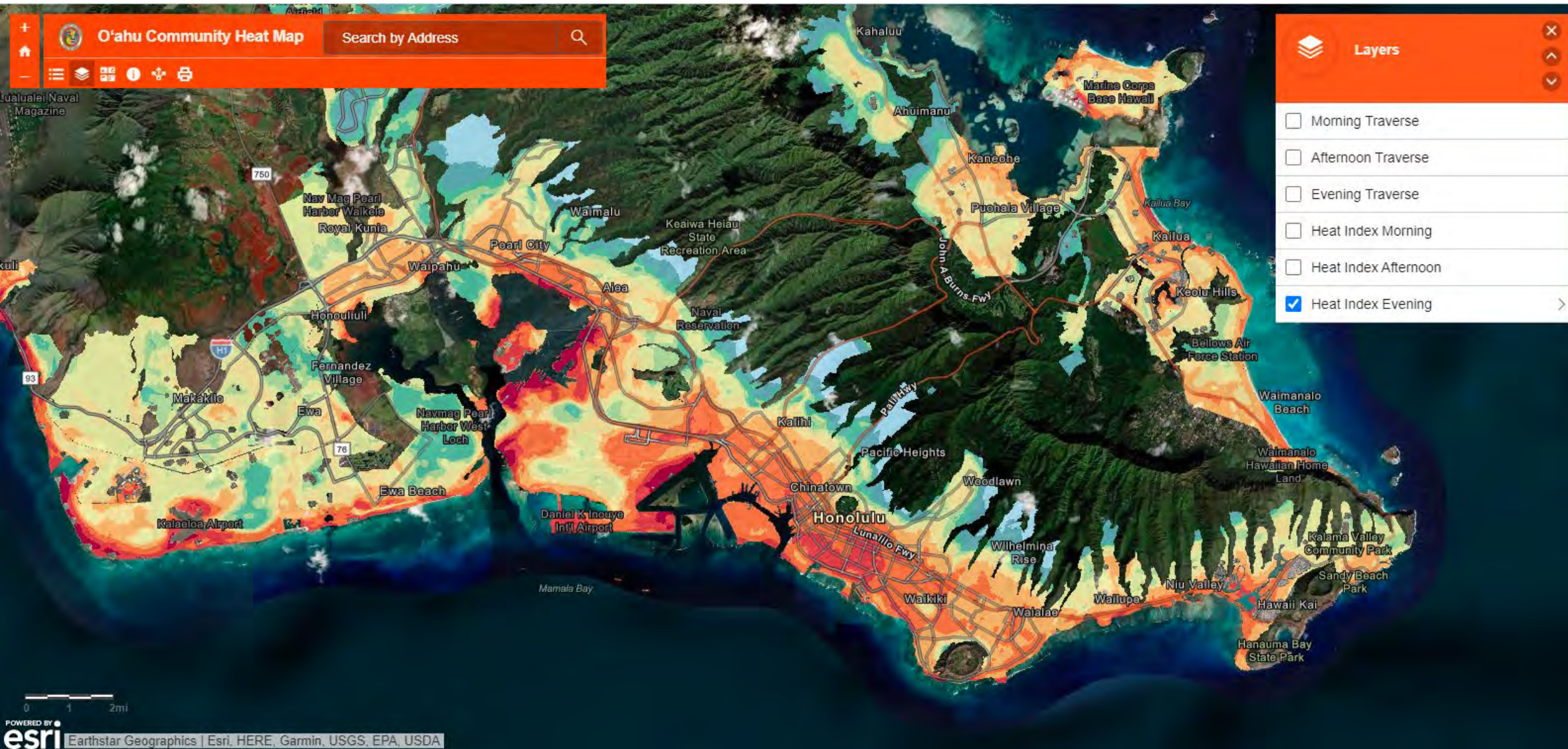


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## Urban Forests as Local Government Infrastructure

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"Green Infrastructure" — What is it? Who is responsible for it? How do you pay for it?

Difficult questions and ones that many including our staff at the at the [Environmental Finance Center](#) are seeking answers to.

There appears to be a growing trend in some communities to recognize and support infrastructure investments that are able to provide long term community and economic benefits without relying on massive amounts of



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What We Do ▾

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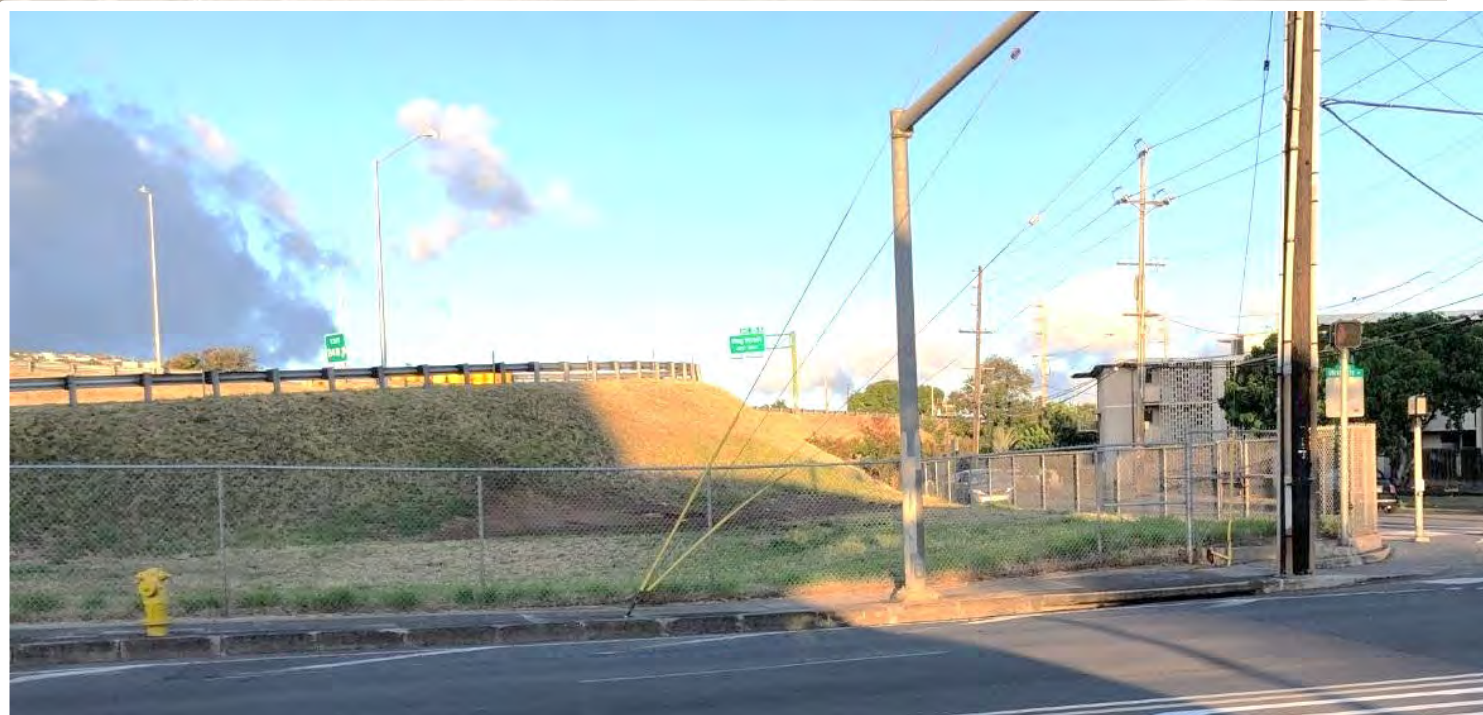
Events

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Donate

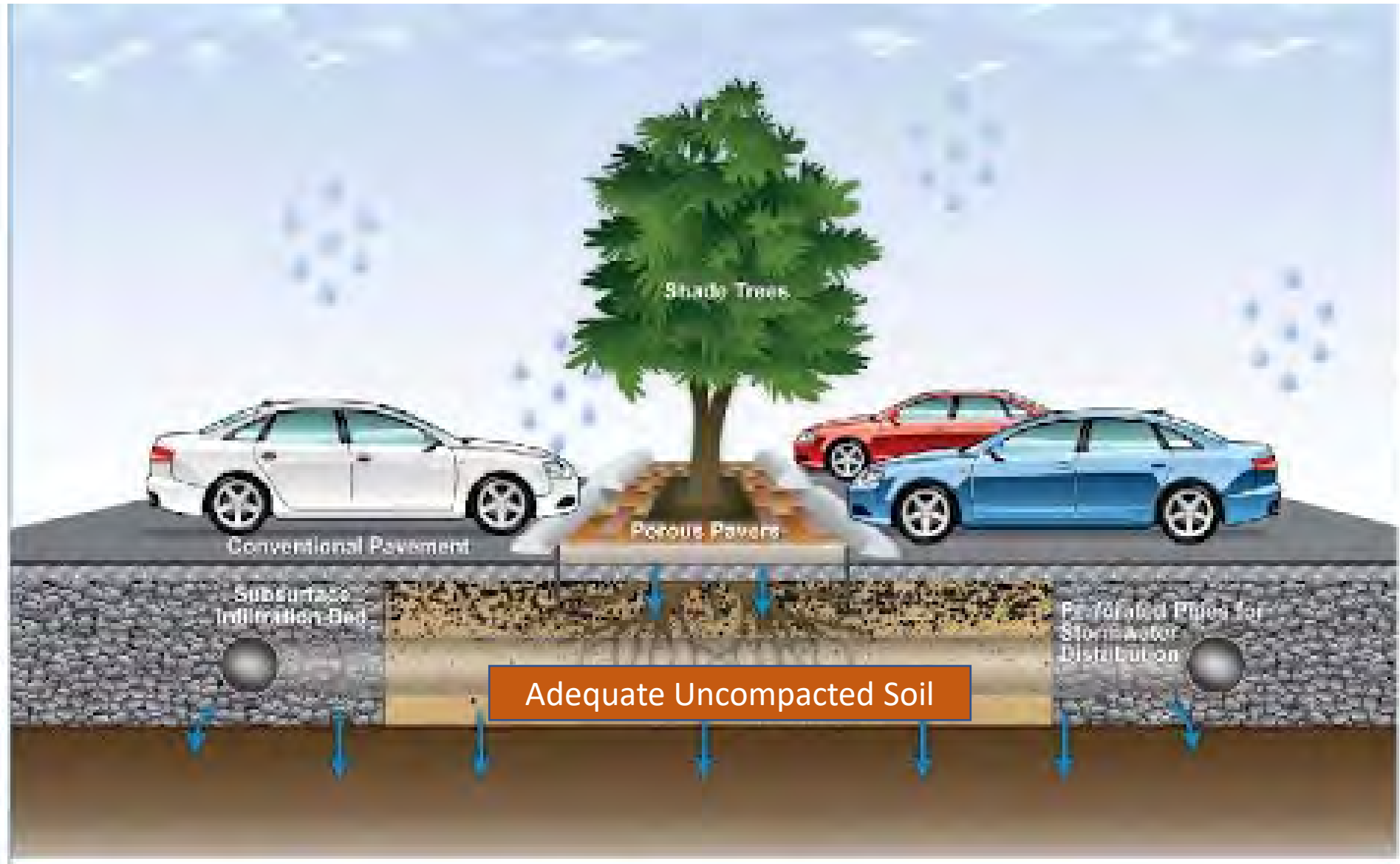








# Nature Makes the Rules





**Manoa Marketplace  
Safeway**

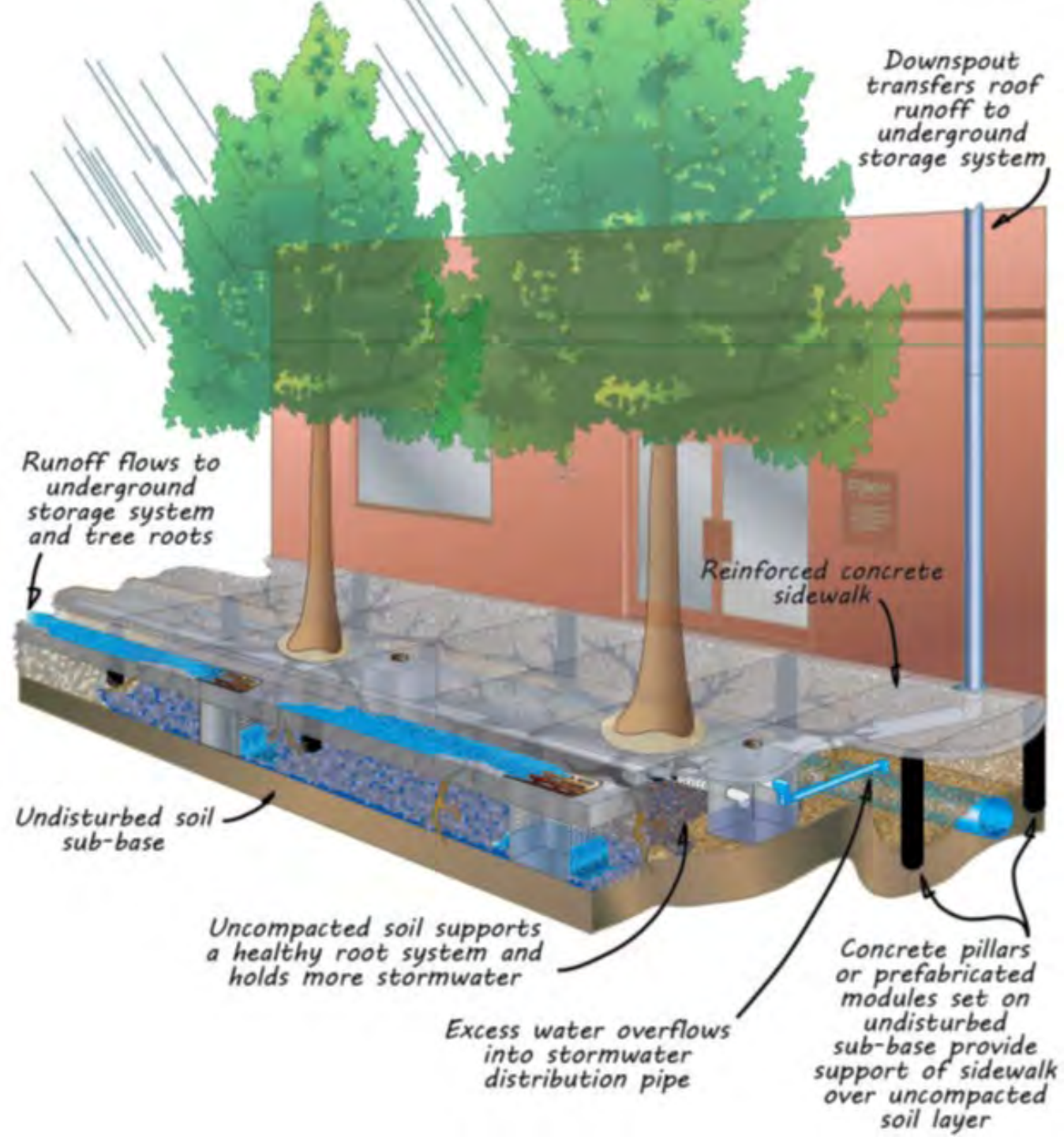
**Manoa Marketplace  
Longs**

**UH Institute  
of Astronomy**

**Woodlawn Avenue**









# Waipahu Transit Center (Hikimoe Street)







# Green Infrastructure is a Capital Investment

- Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB): “Infrastructure” as assets that have *"long lives and are usually stationary. Examples are roads, bridges, tunnels, sewer systems, and lighting systems."*
- Mayor Caldwell July 2020 Directive: “Authorize and recognize the utilization and expenditure of short-term capital funds for the design, installation, establishment, and early tree care period of new tree plantings”



