

 **It's your 'Ohana's health, don't Risk it!**

Register to vote by Monday Oct 6th

Register at County bldg. by 4pm or download form (hawaii.gov/elections) and postmark by Oct. 6th.

Elections are November 4th

Early Voting is Recommended, starting Oct 21st at 200 South High Street, Room 708, Wailuku from 8am-4pm Monday through Saturday.

Proposed Amendment by Voter Initiative to the Maui County Code

The full text of this amendment is available for review. Ask an Election Official.

MAUI: Voter Initiative: Genetically Engineered Organisms

Should the proposed initiative prohibiting the cultivation or reproduction of genetically engineered organisms within the County of Maui, which may be amended or repealed as to a specific person or entity when required environmental and public health impact studies, public hearings, a two thirds vote and a determination by the County Council that such operation or practice meets certain standards, and which establishes civil and criminal penalties, be adopted for Maui County?

YES
 NO

Don't be Fooled by Monsanto!

This is not a "Farming Ban". All those deceptive commercials and mailings are designed to fool you into voting against your own best interests.

Monsanto and Mycogen (Dow Chemical) paid for those ads through the "Citizens Against the Maui County Farming Ban" which was started by Mycogen's Project Manager on Molokai.

The ads protect the interests of only 1% of all farming operations in Maui County. Only Monsanto and Mycogen grow GMO seed crops commercially and conduct open field GMO and pesticide experiments.

No one has to lose their job. Both companies also grow conventional Non-GMO seed crops, which are not affected by this law.

No small farmers will be fined or go to jail and no gardens will be confiscated. GMO Taro and Coffee are already outlawed and GMO Carrots, Broccoli, Tomatoes and other common produce don't exist.

The only GMO crops currently available are BT Feed Corn, Soy Beans, Cotton, Canola, Sugar Beets, Alfalfa, BT Sweet Corn, Yellow Squash, Zucchini, and "Rainbow" papaya. The Maui farmers we talked to avoid GMO "Rainbow" papaya because people won't buy it.

Any GMO plants currently in the ground can stay. Any new plantings will have to be the Non-GMO kind.

This is not a pesticide law and does not restrict a local farmer's right to choose which pesticides to use.

Monsanto has sued over 1200 farmers for millions of dollars, putting many out of business. Many families have lost their farms because they went broke fighting Monsanto's deep pockets.

Many nations don't consider GMOs safe. More than 60 nations including China, Japan, Russia, Australia, and the entire European Union have significant restrictions or outright bans on GMOs.

Chemical companies are not farmers. Monsanto produced Agent Orange, DDT, PCB's and now GMOs, claiming them all to be safe.

Why Vote Yes

GMO INITIATIVE

Suspend Genetically Engineered Crops Until Proven Safe



Join the over 19,000 Maui Residents who Signed the GMO Voter Petition for a Moratorium to Temporarily Suspend Open-air GMO and Pesticide Experiments and Genetically Engineered Commercial Seed Production until Health and Safety Studies Show No Harm to our Keiki and the 'Aina

A YES Vote means...

YOU are part of over 19,000 citizens who care for and protect the land, the water, and the people just as the ancestors did, just as it is written in to the Hawai'ian Constitution.

YOU are part of a new generation that cares about the health and well being of Hawai'i Nei.

You can look directly into the eyes of our children and tell them that **YOU** did everything **YOU** could to guarantee their world is safe!



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SHAKAMovement.org

Sustainable Hawai'ian Agriculture
for the Keiki and the 'Āina.

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Ua Mau ke Ea o ka 'Āina i ka Pono

The people of Maui County are not fooled by Monsanto's commercials and mailers. We are learning the facts, spreading the truth and voting to protect Hawai'i Nei.

- **Small Farmers will be helped, not hurt.** They will be protected from genetic contamination and pesticide drift.
- **GMOS have lead to an increase in chemical use** and an emergence of pesticide resistant super weeds and super bugs that require ever more powerful chemicals. Our GMO Moratorium protects our delicate eco system and small farmers from this vicious cycle.
- **On the Big Island over 80% of the Non-GMO papaya has been cross-contaminated** by the GMO rainbow papaya and this problem is virtually irreversible. The international export market has crashed for all Big Island papayas as many countries now ban GMO produce.
- **The sensationalized ads claim 600 jobs lost** when in fact Monsanto and Mycogen have never stated to the press they would lay off all their employees, only that there "might" be "some" jobs lost.
- **These two Chemical Corporations can always switch back to Non-GMO seed crops** during the moratorium. In fact, it was recently announced at a "Hawai'i Farm Bureau" meeting that a large percentage of GMO Crops have already begun to be replaced with Non-GMO crops.
- **The State of Hawai'i has no laws or regulations** on genetically engineered crops and growing practices.
- **Over 80 chemicals are sprayed on GMO fields**, which can create billions of possible combinations which spread into our neighborhoods, ocean, reefs, ground water, drinking water, food supply and our bodies.
- **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) admits** that these chemical combinations are completely untested, and not regulated. No one knows if we are safe.
- **Glyphosate, the active ingredient in "Roundup,"** has been found in mother's milk, in urine samples of Maui residents, and in the water supply in Kihei. Research has linked Glyphosate to autism, cancer, liver and kidney failure and gastro-intestinal problems.
- **The Hawaii Department of Health tested the surface water** in a number of places around the islands last year and pesticides were found in 100% of samples.
- **GMO lobbyists tried twice** to get the Hawaii State Legislature to strip away our County's rights to pass local agricultural regulations that protect us. You can be sure they will try it again, so this opportunity to pass a County voters initiative may be our last.