

## Kauai authorizes \$100,000 GMO pesticide health study

The state Department of Agriculture and Kauai County are paying a consultant \$100,000 to examine the possible health and environmental effects of pesticide use on genetically modified crops.

The joint fact-finding process is expected to start in January and be completed within a year.

Honolulu planner and mediator Peter Adler said the overall goals of the joint fact-finding process are to illuminate the factual assumptions behind a controversy, map areas of factual agreement that all parties can respect, put those areas in a proper context, and help inform policy making.

“Sorting out facts — what we know and can say with reasonable confidence, what we don’t know, and what we might reasonably need to know in the future — is challenging, but not impossible,” he said in the release.

**Read full, original article:** [State, Kauai County Plan \\$100K Study of Pesticide Use on GMO Crops](#)