



Maui Wildfire Recovery

Steps to Safely Removing Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Batteries

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Maui gives so much to the world. As guests we are honor to give our support back.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the County of Maui are locating hybrid and electric vehicles in the burn zone. If you own a hybrid or electric vehicle, please call EPA's hotline at: **808-539-0555** or the County of Maui Abandoned Vehicle and Metals Office at: **808-270-6102**.

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1. EPA will complete an inspection of the hybrid or electric vehicle batteries and battery casing.

2. EPA will carefully remove batteries which may include cutting parts of the vehicle frame, flipping it over, and/or moving it to a safer location. Batteries will be safely transported to EPA's staging area.

3. The batteries will be inspected and may be de-energized in a salt solution for 4-7 days.

4. Once made safe, the batteries will be crushed using heavy equipment.

5. The remaining material will be safely packaged and shipped to an appropriate off-island recycling facility.

6. Remaining vehicle debris will be removed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during debris removal (Phase 2).

To watch a video of EPA's battery removal process, scan this QR code or go to link: <https://youtu.be/BbJHNYIfhU4>



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