



Megalagrion nigrohamatum

Photo by Dan Polhemus

Insects like the Damselfly pictured here, *Megalagrion nigrohamatum*, play an important roll in Hawai'i's ecosystems. The featured damselfly is endemic to O'ahu. Development and a reduction in freshwater sources has reduced a great deal of the species' habitat range. Native plants provide important breeding ground for damselflies and other native insects.



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