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The Honorable James Kunane Tokioka, Director  
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism  
No. 1 Capitol District Building  
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Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Determination of Acceptability  
Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement  
Waikīkī Beach Improvement and Maintenance Program

Dear Director Tokioka:

I hereby accept the Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for the Waikīkī Beach Improvement and Maintenance Program, dated October 2024 (the Final EIS), as satisfactory fulfillment of the requirements of Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, and Section 11-200.1-28, Hawai'i Administrative Rules, which establishes three acceptability criteria for EISs: process, content, and responses to comments.

The economic, social, and environmental impacts that will likely occur, should this project be implemented with appropriate best management practices, are adequately described in the statement. The analysis, together with the comments made by reviewers, provide useful information to policy makers and the public.

Mahalo,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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**Action Name**

Waikīkī Beach Improvement and Maintenance Program

**Type of Document/Determination**

Final environmental impact statement (FEIS) acceptance or non-acceptance

**HRS §343-5(a) Trigger(s)**

- (1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds
- (2) Propose any use within any land classified as a conservation district
- (3) Propose any use within a shoreline area
- (5) Propose any use within the Waikīkī area of O‘ahu

**Judicial district**

Honolulu, O‘ahu

**Tax Map Key(s) (TMK(s))**

(1) 2-6-001:003; (1) 2-6-004:007; (1) 2-6-005:001; (1) 2-6-008:029; (1) 2-6-002:026; (1) 2-6-001:019; (1) 2-6-004:012; (1) 2-6-002:017; (1) 2-6-001:013; (1) 2-6-001:012; (1) 2-6-001:002; (1) 2-6-001:015; (1) 2-6-001:008; (1) 2-6-004:006; (1) 2-6-004:005; (1) 2-6-001:017; (1) 2-6-004:008; (1) 2-6-004:009; (1) 2-6-004:010; (1) 2-6-001:018; (1) 2-6-005:006; (1) 2-6-001:004; (1) 2-6-002:006; (1) 2-6-002:005

**Action type**

Agency

**Other required permits and approvals**

Multiple (see Chapter 17 of the FEIS)

**Proposing/determining agency**

Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism

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Yes

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**Action summary**

The Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources proposes beach improvement and maintenance projects in the Fort DeRussy, Halekūlani, Royal Hawaiian, and Kūhiō beach sectors of Waikīkī. Projects would include the construction of new beach stabilization structures, and the recovery of offshore sand and its placement on the shoreline. The objectives of the proposed actions are to restore and improve Waikīkī's public beaches, increase beach stability through improvement and maintenance of shoreline structures, provide safe access to and along the shoreline, and increase resilience to coastal hazards and sea level rise.

**Attached documents (signed agency letter & EA/EIS)**

- [2412045.pdf](#)

#### Action location map

- [SHP-KMZ.zip](#)

#### Authorized individual

Mary Alice Evans

#### Authorization

- The above named authorized individual hereby certifies that he/she has the authority to make this submission.