
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY AND
COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO CONDUCT AN ASSESSMENT AND PREPARE AND
EXECUTE A PLAN TO MAINTAIN MANOA STREAM.

1 WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu has not regularly
2 performed periodic maintenance activities necessary on Manoa
3 Stream to adequately address flood mitigation through vegetative
4 management, debris removal, and streambed dredging at specific
5 locations; and

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7 WHEREAS, Manoa Stream has a history of flood events, the
8 most recent extensive event being the October 30, 2004, flood
9 that caused over \$80,000,000 in damage to 32 buildings on the
10 University of Hawaii at Manoa campus; and

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12 WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of historical maps, aerial
13 photographs, and government documents along with numerous
14 computers and servers were damaged or destroyed after water, up
15 to eight feet deep, flooded the Hamilton Library ground floor,
16 with floodwaters breaking through walls, toppling bookshelves,
17 and overturning furniture; and

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19 WHEREAS, in the aftermath of this devastating flood,
20 government entities committed to performing dredging activities
21 of Manoa Stream twice per year from upstream of Kahaloa Drive
22 bridge to downstream of Woodlawn Drive Bridge, the area
23 historically most affected by flood events; and

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25 WHEREAS, an assessment of maintenance of the Manoa Stream
26 is needed before preparing and executing a plan to maintain
27 Manoa Stream to prevent flooding in the future; now, therefore,

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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
30 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular



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1 Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
2 Facility Maintenance of the City and County of Honolulu is urged
3 to conduct an assessment and prepare and execute a plan to
4 maintain Manoa Stream; and

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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director and Chief
8 Engineer of the Department of Facility Maintenance of the City
9 and County of Honolulu.

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OFFERED BY:  _____
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