
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT A WORKING GROUP BE CONVENED TO MAKE
RECOMMENDATIONS ON FLOOD MITIGATION AT THE INTERSECTION OF
EAST MANOA ROAD AND OAHU AVENUE.

1 WHEREAS, although numerous communities in Hawaii experience
2 periodic flooding during times of heavy rain, Manoa Valley is
3 particularly susceptible to flooding; and
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5 WHEREAS, the intersection of East Manoa Road and Oahu
6 Avenue frequently floods following a downpour, with water levels
7 rising above the curb; and
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9 WHEREAS, when flooded, the intersection of East Manoa Road
10 and Oahu Avenue becomes nearly impassable to motor vehicles that
11 may stall in the flooded waters, and hazardous to pedestrians
12 who may be unable to see nearby storm drains or curbs; and
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14 WHEREAS, the intersection of East Manoa Road and Oahu
15 Avenue is the primary entrance into, and exit from, Manoa
16 Valley; and
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18 WHEREAS, emergency services, including police, fire, and
19 emergency medical services, must be able to efficiently respond
20 to all emergencies throughout Manoa Valley; and
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22 WHEREAS, flooding at the intersection of East Manoa Road
23 and Oahu Avenue, and the traffic congestion caused by the
24 flooding, may delay the provision of emergency services within
25 Manoa Valley; now, therefore,
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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
28 Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
29 of 2021, the Senate concurring, that a working group be convened



1 to make recommendations on flood mitigation at the intersection
2 of East Manoa Road and Oahu Avenue; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group comprise the
5 following members:

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7 (1) A member of the House of Representatives whose
8 district includes at least a portion of Manoa, who
9 shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of
10 Representatives;

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12 (2) A member of the Senate whose district includes at
13 least a portion of Manoa, who shall be appointed by
14 the Senate President; and

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16 (3) A member of the Honolulu City Council whose district
17 includes at least a portion of Manoa, who shall be
18 appointed by the Chair of the Honolulu City Council;
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested
22 to invite the following persons to join the working group:

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24 (1) An individual currently living near the intersection
25 of East Manoa Road and Oahu Avenue; and

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27 (2) An individual who will benefit from, and is able to
28 provide suggestions for, flood mitigation at the
29 intersection of East Manoa Road and Oahu Avenue; and

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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested
32 to select one of its members to serve as chairperson; and

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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members of the working group
35 shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for
36 travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance
37 of their official duties; and

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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members of the working group
40 who are public officers or employees shall receive no additional
41 compensation for service on the working group beyond their
42 normal compensation; and



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no member of the working group
2 shall be made subject to Chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
3 solely because of that member's participation on the working
4 group; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested
7 to report its findings and recommendations, including any
8 proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty
9 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2022; and
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the working group shall cease to
12 exist on June 30, 2022; and
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
15 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Speaker of
16 the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, Mayor of
17 the City and County of Honolulu, and Chair of the Honolulu City
18 Council.
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OFFERED BY: _____



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