ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) to manage our facilities and programs in a manner that protects the environment, the safety of our employees, and the public health, while fulfilling our mission to deliver and operate a safe and effective statewide multi-modal transportation system.

To implement this Policy, the administrators, supervisors, and employees of HDOT, shall follow these principles:

Continual improvement – Work continuously to improve the effectiveness of our environmental programs by establishing appropriate objectives, performance indicators and monitoring to guide those efforts and measure progress.

Obey laws – Comply with all applicable environmental federal, state, and local statutes, regulations, enforceable agreements and permits. HDOT will employ training and communication tools to provide our employees awareness of this Policy, current applicable regulations and how it applies to everyday work.

Prevent pollution – HDOT shall make efforts to reduce waste generation, minimize the use of hazardous chemicals, use recycled material when feasible, reduce resource consumption, and promptly respond to unplanned releases of pollutants (or contaminants) to minimize impact to the environment.

To help maintain these principles, HDOT shall implement an environmental management system.

This Policy and the environmental management system shall be reviewed to evaluate objectives and targets, and to identify areas for improvement. To ensure maximum effort, the best practices with the resources available will be used to minimize and prevent pollution.

Highways, Airports and Harbors Divisions, through established protocols, will inform tenants, contractors and all persons working on behalf of the HDOT of this Policy and applicable environmental programs.

This Policy shall take effect upon the date below:

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