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Testimony of WILLIAM J. AILA, JR. Chairperson

Before the House Committee on FINANCE

Monday, April 1, 2014 2:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 308

In consideration of SENATE BILL 3036, SENATE DRAFT 2, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO BEACH MANAGEMENT FOR THE NORTH SHORE OF OAHU

Senate Bill 3036, Senate Draft 2, House Draft 1 proposes to appropriate funds to the University of Hawaii Sea Grant College Program (UH Sea Grant) to conduct a study and create a beach management plan for the North Shore of Oahu. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this bill provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in our Executive Budget request.**

This legislation endeavors to improve understanding and management of beach resources along the fifteen-mile stretch of coastline from Haleiwa to Kahuku Point, which is of primary importance to state residents and visitors from around the world for its beautiful beaches, worldclass surf breaks, and marine resources.

As you know, part of the Department's mission is to manage coastal areas and ocean resources through the Department's Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands (OCCL). A recent study by University of Hawaii and United States (US) Geological Survey researchers¹ finds the 73% of beaches along the North Shore of Oahu are undergoing a long-term trend of beach erosion (shoreline retreat). The threat of seasonal erosion and inundation during large waves may be an even greater hazard along many north shore beaches. Management and conservation of north shore beaches is further challenged by a legacy of concentrated development too close to hazard-prone shorelines, as well as impacts from intensive public use. Frequency and severity of coastal erosion and coastal flooding events will only increase with increasing rates of sea level rise in the coming decades.

The Department has been especially busy with beach management efforts on the north shore over the last several months with a series of highly publicized coastal erosion events in the Sunset

¹ Fletcher, C.H., *et al.*, 2012, National assessment of shoreline change: Historical shoreline change in the Hawaiian Islands: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 2011–1051, 55 p.

Beach area. The Department is working closely with local residents and county and federal agencies to coordinate and authorize short-term solutions to manage these erosion problems, while also working to protect public beach and marine resources.

The Department, county, and federal agencies that share regulatory oversight of the north shore, as well as the local community and property owners would greatly benefit from improved scientific information on beach processes through a coordinated, community-supported beach management plan guiding future beach management efforts.

The Department has worked closely with UH Sea Grant for over 10 years in support of the OCCL Coastal Lands Program. Collaborative efforts between the Department and UH Sea Grant include development of the Kailua Beach and Dune Management Plan in 2010. UH Sea Grant is ideally suited to develop a north shore beach management plan as a neutral broker and due to the organization's affiliations with UH researchers and expertise in community extension and outreach.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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March 31, 2014

The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair and Members House Committee on Finance State Capitol, Conference Room 308 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Luke and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 3036 HD1, Relating to Beach Management for the North Shore of Oahu

The Department of Design and Construction (DDC) respectfully **supports** Senate Bill No. 3036 HD1, which appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii Sea Grant College program to create a beach management plan for the North Shore of Oahu stretching from the Kawailoa to Waiale'e Ahupua'a. City beach parks comprise a significant portion of the total land area along the specified coastline.

The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) is responsible for operation and maintenance of the City's parks. DDC works with DPR on matters concerning park facilities and infrastructure, including threats to park land and facilities by shoreline erosion. The proposed legislation would provide a comprehensive approach to addressing an ongoing problem that is expected to increase due to climate change and the associated sea level rise projected to occur over the coming decades.

The City has begun to address the problem at our shoreline parks, but has not yet formulated a plan for the area addressed in this bill. The City contracted with Sea Engineering, Incorporated, to prepare an April 2010 report entitled, <u>City Beach Parks Erosion Study, Island</u> <u>Of O'ahu, Hawai'i</u>. This report surveyed the entire island's shoreline with the exception of the Leeward coast. The Leeward shoreline is presently under study by the same firm. The City also has plans to address the protection of City infrastructure and beach resources at Hale'iwa, Punalu'u and Hau'ula Beach Parks. The proposed beach management plan would complement, but would not duplicate, the City's ongoing efforts in this regard.

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The City would welcome the opportunity to participate in the beach management planning process and would have an implementation role for shoreline areas where the City owns and/or controls public park lands.

For these reasons, DDC respectfully supports Senate Bill 3036 HD1.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Very truly yours,

Chris Jahachige

Chris Takashige, P.E., CCM Director



March 31, 2014

Committee Chair & Members of Finance (FIN)

RE: Strong Support for SB 3036, SD2, HD1

Hearing on Tue., 4/1, State Capitol, Conf. Rm. 308, 2:00pm.

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chairs Nishimoto and Johanson, and Committee Members,

My name is Stuart Coleman, and I am the Hawaii Coordinator of the Surfrider Foundation. With more than 5000 activists and supporters across the state, Surfrider strongly SUPPORTS SB 3036, SD2, HD1.

After the near loss of many homes on the North Shore this winter due to big wave events and coastal erosion, this bill will create a desperately needed North Shore Coastal Plan, which could help prevent such losses in the future.

Community groups and local citizens have been clamoring for help with these issues, and the UH Sea Grant Program is well-suited to design this plan and come up with a model for coastal areas across the state. We ask that they involve community and environmental groups like the Surfrider Foundation in the planning process so we can help with education efforts.

Mahalo for hearing the bill and moving it forward. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely, Stuart Coleman Stuart H. Coleman Hawaii Coordinator Name/Title: Rafael Bergstrom, Surfrider Oahu Chapter Administrator; Junior Researcher, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Management, UH Manoa Committee: FIN Date/Time: Tuesday April 1, 2014, 2:00 PM Measure Number: SB 3036

Aloha Committee Members,

I would like to voice my strong support for SB 3036. The North Shore of Oahu from Sunset to Waimea is under considerable threat from the forces of nature. Climate is changing and the seas are most certainly rising as increasing global surface temperatures causes the oceans to expand and the melting of polar ice caps adds large amounts of water to our seas. Major storm surges are already having dramatic effects on our coastlines at Rocky Point and this is only likely to increase as beach erosion on the north shore is accelerated by all the development that was allowed close to the shore in the last 50 years. It's time to begin an action plan now before much more consistent and major events threaten the existence of this island's most famous beaches.

Many options exist for responding to these changing conditions and it is important that a well researched plan for reclaiming the necessary lands and keeping our beaches intact is thought out before the problem worsens. Please consider SB 3036 to be a major effort in this area of coastal zone planning and a strategy that seeks to solve the problem before the consequences are realized to their full extent.

Thank you for reading my testimony and please vote in support of SB 3036.

Cheers,

Rafael Bergstrom

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Hearing on SB3036 SD2 HD1 House Committee on Finance (FIN) Hearing: April 1, 2014, 2:00 pm Conference Room 308

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair Johanson, and Committee Members:

I write in **STRONG SUPORT OF SB3036 SD2 HD1** introduced by Senator Clayton Hee, whose district includes the proposed project area. This bill will support and fund a **North Shore Beach Management Plan** under the leadership of the University of Hawai'i Sea Grant College. The plan will involve public-private partnerships and be community driven as everyone works together toward sustaining our islands' precious coastal resources.

The proposed budget of \$400,000 is supported by the Higher Education Committee: "Your Committee respectfully requests that the Committee on Finance consider appropriating the amount of \$400,000 for the creation of the North Shore Beach Management Plan." HSCR1127-14.

Please note that <u>the community</u> is asking for help from the University. This is not a "rogue" request for funding from within the University but arose due to the community's severe beach erosion problems over this past winter and because Sea Grant is the ideal entity, with its experience and track record on coastal planning to assist the community on this urgent issue. This project is a great example of how the University – which is a land, sea, and space grant institution – can use its expertise to assist communities directly with climate change adaptation planning.

The combination of climate change impacts such as sea level rise and episodic coastal erosion have already been particularly damaging to the "northwest" facing stretch of the North Shore, from the ahupua'a of Kawailoa to Waiale'e. Stretches of Kamehameha Highway near the beach in this area are obviously undermined and experience wash-over in high surf/tides. Several private homes at Ke Nui Road have been hit by high surf events and more heart-breaking impacts on homeowners. The beach itself -- a public trust asset that belongs to everyone – has substantially narrowed in many areas and is not proactively or adequately managed for the long-term.

SB3036's "NSBMP" would ultimately save considerable time and money for the state, city, and community by coordinating and integrating city-state-community planning efforts along this shoreline. Sea Grant has considerable expertise in this area, having completed the Kailua Beach and Dune Management Plan in 2010 and a Maui Beach Management Plan in 2008, and is well positioned to lead this community planning effort, which can become a model for future collaborative efforts in other beach areas statewide. As the attached Star-Advertiser editorial states: It's time to be *proactive* to protect Hawai'i's critical beaches and coastlines. The NSBMP will be a major step forward for all of us.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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"Lawmakers have seized an opportunity to deal with the North Shore erosion problem in a way that makes sense: by pairing the goals of protecting the highway and improving public use of the shoreline. . . . [references to SB3035 omitted]

What matters more than the sequence of events is that there's some kind of coordination here to make the best use of public land and money, addressing the twin issues of erosion and beach access. If that's managed successfully here, the plan can serve as a template for many more coastal areas where these issues arise.

To that point, Hee is also pressing for another piece of legislation to expand the area where comprehensive shoreline management planning can take place. **SB 3036** would allot an unspecified amount of money for the Sea Grant College to create a North Shore beach management plan covering the area from Sunset Beach to Waimea Bay. The focus would be on dealing with erosion and other threats of sea-level rise, but smart planning would produce coastal road adjustments that mesh well with recreation, too.

These bills should pass, sending a clear message that further delay is simply intolerable. Government may drag its heels on a highway project, but erosion won't wait forever. The end result we don't want is for the sea to claim Kamehameha Highway."

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Larry McElheny	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Please support SB 3036. Mahalo Larry McElheny 59-272 Pupukea Road Haleiwa, 96712 (808) 638-8484

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Gil Riviere	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Chair Luke and Representatives, SB3036 will improve planning for coastal areas subject to erosion throughout the state. The two dramatic erosion events that occurred near Sunset Beach this winter remind us that our shoreline is subject to great fluctuation that can quickly destroy both private and state infrastructure. Now is the time to review the science and make a plan for the future. Thank you for your support. Gil Riviere Waialua, HI

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Kevin Kelly	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Chair Luke, Vice-chairs Johanson and Nishimoto, Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN SUPPORT of this important bill. The region of the North Shore where this proposed study will be conducted will not only serve the the interests of local residents but will serve the greater public good by establishing a process whereby 'at-risk' areas across the state can be evaluated. This study and others like it, will serve the citizens of the state by helping to streamline evaluation of coastal erosion in other areas and provide standardized data for the implementation of well informed policy to address health, safety and economic well-being of people in those affected areas. Thank you in advance for your support of this bill.

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Bill Quinlan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Senators, please provide financing for this important Bill. Our shoreline is critical to our tourist industry. We need to develop a plan as soon as possible to deal with the currentr problems and the increase in sea level that we know is coming.

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Marianne Abrigo	Individual	Support	No	

Comments: We need to be pro-active on North Shore Beach Management. We are an island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean and it is the nature of our location to experience beach erosion and sometimes acreation. Thank you for considering the \$400,000.00 to begin the process. Aloha, Marianne Abrigo

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Randolph G. Moore 2445-A Makiki Heights Drive Honolulu Hawaii 96822

March 31, 2014

The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair and members of the Committee on Finance The House of Representatives State Capitol Honolulu, HI

Dear Senator Luke and members of the Committee on Finance:

Subject: SB 3036 SD 2 HD 1 - Relating to Beach Management for the North Shore of Oahu

I encourage your support of SB3036, which would appropriate funds for the University of Hawaii Sea Grant College Program to create a North Shore Beach Management Plan covering Oahu beaches from Kawailoa to Waiale'e.

These beaches, with others on Oahu and other islands, have suffered erosion. Scientists knowledgeable about beach erosion are in agreement that erosion on most of the beaches in the state will accelerate as the effects of climate change – rising sea levels and more intense storms – are increasingly felt.

Full disclosure: I am a beachfront property owner at Sunset Beach, and the beach fronting my house has eroded approximately 25 feet in the 45 years that I have owned it.

The beach management plan that is proposed in this bill will become the basis for other beach management plans with statewide applicability. Absent a management plan, the state and the counties (as significant owners of beachfront property with considerable investment in roads, parks, and other public facilities) and private landowners will react to periodic episodes of beach erosion in a crisis mode in ways (such as constructing sea walls) that will result in the loss of public access to and use of our beaches. A plan to guide public and private responses to the beach erosion we know is coming will minimize the public cost to respond to beach erosion and maximize public use of our beaches

Mahalo for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Randolph G. Moore

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Carol Philips	Individual	Support	No	

Comments: Dear Honorable Committee Members, Please vote yes on this bill as it will help us better prepare as an Island State for the reality of sea level rise. Warmest Aloha, Carol Philips Haleiwa

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Randy Rarick	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a North Shore resident in favor of supporting SB 3036.

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Robert Barreca	Individual	Support	No

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Lucky Cole	Individual	Support	No

Comments: SB 3036 needs to be passed in order to do the science necessary to begin the process of restoring the beach vegetation and sand dunes along this very popular stretch of public beach including multiple beach parks and beach accesses. Protection of the public and private lands from continuous erosion from foot traffic and rain runoff as well as episodic erosion from surf events needs to happen now. 30 years of neglect needs to stop now. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of SB 3036.

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Keely Bruns	Individual	Support	No

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Robert Walker	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair Johanson, and Committee Members: Thank you for the opportunity to voice my strong support for SB3036, which relates to the development of a Beach Management Plan for the North Shore of Oahu. This is a critical bill for the state, and something the North Shore community really needs. Your decision to allocate funding for this important bill will better prepare the North Shore community to face uncertain times of the future, during which beach erosion and beach management issues will only become more dire. I am a licensed professional engineer by the State of Hawaii, and I specialize in beaches and coastal engineering. Erosion events like those experienced on the North Shore this winter are complex and there is a significant need for additional research. The majority of sandy beaches in Hawaii are eroding, and future climate change and rising sea levels are going to exacerbate this problem. The North Shore community needs to be proactive in dealing with coastal erosion. This bill will support the development of a comprehensive plan for managing the precious coastal resources within the study area. The University of Hawaii and Sea Grant College are perfect for taking on this task: they have the scientific expertise to oversee a project such as this and I am confident at their ability to engage the community in each step along the way. There is strong community support for this bill. Living on the North Shore I have experienced first hand the concern for acute and chronic erosion of North Shore beaches and it has become very clear that we cannot postpone our efforts in understanding the complex coastal processes and how they are changing. The state as a whole needs proactive coastal erosion planning to protect our public trust resources -- our public beaches -- for everyone to enjoy. This funding is very important to the North Shore community, and the initial investment will pay for itself in the long run. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support this progressive motion addressing a significant community issue. Thank you, Robert A. Walker, PE Resident of Waialua

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Ken Newfield	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a Paumalu (Sunset Beach) resident of Ke Nui Road, for over 25 years, and fully support SB 3036. Mahalo

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the House Finance Committee Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 2:00 pm By E. Gordon Grau, PhD, Director and Dolan Eversole, Extension Agent Sea Grant College Program University of Hawai'i at Mānoa



SB 3036 SD2 HD1 – RELATING TO BEACH MANAGEMENT FOR THE NORTH SHORE OF OAHU

Chair Luke, Vice Chairs Nishimoto and Johanson, and Members of the Committee:

The UH Sea Grant strongly supports SB 3036 provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities as indicated in the University's Board of Regents Approved Executive Biennium Budget. This legislation endeavors to improve the scientific understanding and sustainable management of beach resources along North Shore of O'ahu from Hale'iwa to Kahuku Point. This heavily used coastal stretch is world renown for its beautiful beaches, world-class surf breaks, and marine resources and warrants a dedicated regional beach and dune management plan to conserve and sustainably manage this unique area.

The North Shore community has expressed strong interest and support for a beach management plan. The development of a regional beach management plan requires the support and participation of the community in order to ensure successful implementation of priority management strategies. In this respect UH Sea Grant also supports and encourages the planned "community conversations" to discuss the objectives of the plan and allow an opportunity for the community to share their comments, ideas and concerns for the management of this community resource.

As I'm sure you're aware, the proposed budget of \$400,000 is supported by the Higher Education Committee, which also requested appropriating this amount to your committee. I am happy to address any questions or comments you may have regarding the scope of work or budget for the proposed North Shore Beach Management Plan.

SB 3036 intends to support the development of a coastal processes study and create a north shore beach management plan, with substantial community and stakeholder input, over a two-year period. The University of Hawai'i is well positioned to carry this out and has successfully developed similar beach and dune management plans in Hawai'i including the Kailua Beach and Dune Management Plan and the Beach Management Plan for Maui.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Roberts Leinau	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support SB 3036 so that this shore line issue can be addressed now. This winter was a warning. Mahalo, Bob Leinau

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