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August 10, 2020

Senate Special Committee on COVID-19
Hawaii State Capitol Room 208
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senators:

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 6, 2020 concerning our discussion during the Senate Special Committee on COVID-19. Please see my responses below:

- To clarify the status of the CARES funds, please be advised that we have not received or used any of the CARES funds for any purchases or projects. Today, we will submit to the Governor a **Request for Use of Coronavirus Relief Funds**. (Please see the attached AIR-ER 20.0192)
- Due to the ACT 9 language of: **(3) On December 28, 2020, any unexpended funds shall be transferred to the unemployment compensation trust fund established under section 383-121, Hawaii Revised Statutes**, we determined that we could not spend the entire \$90M in the given timeline. The State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, Airports Division (HDOTA) will ask the Legislature for an emergency appropriation for the remaining \$20M from the General Fund.
- The attached **Request for Use of Coronavirus Relief Funds** will provide the committee with information concerning the different projects. For more details on:
 - Contract for Professional Services and Equipment for Swab Testing, please reference **Solicitation No. CS1121-91, Section 1: General Information, 1.2 Scope of Work**. Solicitation Released: August 3, 2020.
 - Medical Trailers for Swab Testing and Clinical Evaluation of Passengers, please reference **State Project No. AS1033-01. Part II Project Requirements, Section A – General Requirements, Scope of Work**. Solicitation Released: August 3, 2020.

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The swabbing at the airports is done by American Medical Response Hawaii (AMR) or Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Firefighters. Both entities have been trained by the Department of Health (DOH). All lab testing and capacity is determined by the DOH. Any further information on this item needs to be directed to the DOH.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ross M. Higashi".

ROSS M. HIGASHI
Deputy Director - Airports

Attachment: AIR-ER 20.0192

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR



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August 10, 2020

**TO: THE HONORABLE DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR OF HAWAII**

**FROM: JADE T. BUTAY
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION**

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR USE OF CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS

Consistent with the requirements of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), the Department of Transportation, Airports Division (DOT-A) requests a \$70,000,000 sub-award from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF).

This request qualifies as an allowable use of the CRF because the funds will be used for allowable Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)-related expenditures, as indicated on the attached "Attestation of Qualifying Coronavirus Relief Fund Expenditures" (Form CRF-2). The DOT-A understands that construction must be expended by December 28, 2020, based on the lapse date of the respective appropriation, with payment for such work made within 90 days thereafter, and any unexpended funds may be required to be transferred to the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund, pursuant to the authorizing legislation.

This request is for the purchase and installation of thermal scanners with facial imaging, including monitoring equipment, at the five major airports: Daniel K. Inouye International Airport, Kahului Airport, Ellison Onizuka Kona International Airport at Keahole, Hilo International Airport, and Lihue Airport. Phase I and Phase II will install the thermal cameras at all gates to scan passengers as they deplane the aircraft for body temperature of 100.4 degrees and higher. Phase III will install facial imaging tracing cameras throughout the terminals, where personnel in control rooms will be able to trace the movement of passengers until they are retained.

Mobile airport medical facilities (one at each airport) will be procured where further secondary medical screening will be conducted on retained passengers. Professional clinical services will also be obtained to include, but not limited to, the purchase of equipment and testing services to increase Hawaii's testing capability beyond the current 3,000 tests per day.

A web-based digital Travel and Health application will be developed, including the procurement of processing equipment, to assist the Department of Health and Counties with real time information on all arriving passengers into and within the State of Hawaii.

In addition, verification rooms will be constructed to screen all arriving passengers at our five major airports. These rooms will be supported with contract screeners.

The intent is to mitigate the further spread of COVID-19 so that residents, businesses and the tourism industry can resume a sense of normalcy. It is estimated that \$50,000,000 will be necessary for equipment purchase and installation, and facility construction, and an additional \$20,000,000 will be necessary for services.

We will comply with the CARES Act reporting requirements as issued by the federal government.

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVAL DISAPPROVAL

Robert Yu
Authorized State Official

DATE

APPROVED DISAPPROVED

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawaii

DATE

Attachment (Form CRF-2)

c: Craig K. Hirai, Director
Curt T. Otaguro, Comptroller

ATTESTATION OF QUALIFYING CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND EXPENDITURES

I understand and certify to the following:

I understand the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) may only be used to cover expenditures that:

1. Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).
2. Were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 28, 2020.
3. Were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020, the date of enactment of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), for the State or government.

This request qualifies as an eligible use of the CRF because the funds will be used for:

- Medical expenses.
- Public health expenses.
- Payroll expenses for public safety, public health, health care, human services, and similar employees whose services are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- Actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19-related public health measures.
- Expenses associated with the provision of economic support in connection with COVID-19.
- Other COVID-19-related expenses reasonably necessary to the function of government.

Note: Please reference the latest U.S. Treasury guidance for the CARES Act CRF at <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments> and the CRF Frequently Asked Questions updated as of July 8, 2020.

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I further certify that the expenditures are reasonably necessary for its intended use in my judgement as the official responsible for expenditure of CRF funds.

Jade T. Butay
Director
Department of Transportation

Date