May 19, 2020

The Honorable Elaine Chao  
US Secretary of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington DC 20590

Subject: Poipu Road Safety and Mobility Project; County of Kauai Build Application

Dear Secretary Chao:

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) is pleased to support the County of Kauai’s Build application for the Poipu Road Safety and Mobility Project. This project is in alignment with statewide transportation goals, is listed in the Federal Aid Highways 2035 Kauai Transportation Plan and is consistent with the Hawaii Statewide Freight Plan. It is also listed on Hawaii’s State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

HDOT and the County of Kauai have a positive, collaborative working relationship. As Kauai District Engineer, I am involved with oversight of the County’s federally funded STIP projects, including the County’s TIGER project. The County, HDOT, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Hawaii Division work together to support projects of mutual interest. Based on my previous experience, the County has the technical and financial capacity to administer this project. I look forward to continuing to work with the County of Kauai and FHWA on advancing the transportation goals for the State of Hawaii.

Sincerely,

LARRY DILL, P.E.  
District Engineer