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Administrative Director
Governor's office



As the Hawaii Department of Transportation Director Ford Fuchigami leads 15 commercial and general aviation airports, 10 commercial harbors and nearly 2,500 lane miles of state highways. He began his tenure with the Department of Transportation as the Airports Division Deputy Director, appointed by Governor Neil Abercrombie in January of 2011. He was named HDOT Interim Director in May 2014. He oversees Hawaii's airport, harbor and highway systems with the help of a dedicated team of approximately 2,600 employees. His mission, and that of the Department, is the development and improvement of our transportation systems to facilitate safe and efficient travel and commerce statewide.

Among his key responsibilities is oversight of numerous modernization and facility improvement projects representing billions of dollars in construction. These modernization and improvement efforts include an increased focus on sustainability and energy efficiency along state highways, in public airports, and at the state's commercial harbors. Ford recognizes the role of energy efficient initiatives in reducing costs and ensuring a self-sustaining transportation system for all users, while striving to reach the State's goal of eliminating the use of oil and achieving 100 percent clean energy usage by 2045.

As chief executive of the Department, Ford collaborates with major stakeholders and partners, including the Federal Aviation Administration, Transportation Security Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Maritime Administration, Customs & Border Protection, the Congressional delegation, Hawaii Legislature, county partners, and numerous airline, harbor and highway user organizations, among many others, on behalf of the state. Ford has an extensive background in the hospitality industry where he learned the importance of working together to spread the *aloha* spirit. He is a visionary leader and views his employees, the various government agencies, and the public as partners in improving our transportation systems for our future.



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