

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor

JOSH GREEN
Lt. Governor



PHYLLIS SHIMABUKURO-GEISER
Chairperson, Board of Agriculture

State of Hawaii
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
1428 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-2512
Phone: (808) 973-9600 FAX: (808) 973-9613

June 28, 2019

Kenneth Y. Kaneshiro, Ph.D.
Director, Center for Conservation Research & Training
University of Hawaii at Manoa
3050 Maile Way, Gilmore 406
Honolulu, HI 96822

Dear Dr. Kaneshiro:

I would like to express my support for the "Genki Ala Wai Project" which seeks to revitalize the waters and the environment of the Ala Wai canal in seven years using Effective Microorganisms (EM) Technology.

EM Technology is used in many countries in agriculture, aquaculture, animal husbandry and waste-water treatment. Beneficial microorganisms are important tools in supporting Hawaii's agricultural industry and the environment. This project will seek to remediate the Ala Wai with an innovative technology that will suppress harmful microbes, decompose harmful chemicals, prevent oxidation and eliminate foul odors.

The Department supports this project's use of EM technology to benefit such an iconic Hawaii waterway.

Should you have any questions, please call my office at 973-9550.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Phyllis Shimabukuro-Geiser".

Phyllis Shimabukuro-Geiser, Chairperson
Board of Agriculture

