

Mr. Chris E Ostrander
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Pacific Islands Ocean Observing System (PacIOOS)
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Dear Mr. Ostrander,

On behalf of Forever Oceans Corporation, I am writing to express my strong support for the proposal titled, *Enhancing and Sustaining the Pacific Islands Ocean Observing System (PacIOOS)*, under the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS) program. The work PacIOOS proposes will continue to promote a safe, healthy, productive ocean and resilient coastal zone for the State of Hawai'i and the Insular Pacific by addressing the needs of a diverse group of stakeholders in the Pacific, including industry partners such as Forever Oceans.

Launched as a spin-off of the Lockheed Martin aquaculture line of business in 2014, Forever Oceans offers a reliable and sustainable aquaculture alternative, providing complete aquaculture solutions that produce premium fish. Leading technology is combined with advanced biology, a comprehensive training program, and more to offer investors the opportunity to license an end-to-end farm solution. Forever Oceans is not only committed to preserving the environment, but also leading the charge in voluntarily measuring ocean conditions.

The real-time and forecast ocean data and information made available to the public supports planning for future aquaculture operations and day-to-day operations. The effective and efficient manner in which PacIOOS makes quality-controlled data available to the public is something Forever Oceans views as essential for transparent business operations and forwarding the efforts of the aquaculture industry. We look forward to partnering with PacIOOS to serve ocean information collected in concert with the deployment of new off-shore aquaculture cages in the near future. Indeed, Forever Oceans is proud to be a PacIOOS signatory partner by way of the PacIOOS Memorandum of Agreement.

I support the commitment of PacIOOS to address the needs of a diversity of ocean stakeholders, including industry, by collecting and disseminating ocean data and information in a timely fashion and in formats that are easy to access and understand. Therefore, I enthusiastically support and strongly recommend sustained and enhanced funding for PacIOOS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mathew Goldsborough", written in a cursive style.

Mathew Goldsborough
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