

## HI 'Ohana Delegation for COP26



### **Representative Nicole Lowen**

Nicole Lowen is a State Representative for House District 6 (Kailua-Kona, Holualoa, Kalaoa) on Hawai'i Island. She is the Chair of the House Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection and the founder of Hawaii's Environmental Legislative Caucus. She also serves on the Hawai'i Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Commission, the Hawai'i Invasive Species Council, and sit on the Electricity Advisory Committee of the U.S. Department of Energy. Throughout her 9 years in office, Representative Lowen has worked on legislation to address climate change, to further Hawaii's renewable energy goals, to protect natural resources, and to encourage the adoption of clean transportation. She will be attending COP26 as part of the Hawai'i 'Ohana Delegation.

<https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/committeepage.aspx?comm=EEP>



### **Kelly King**

Kelly King is the Councilmember for the Maui County government and Chair of the Climate Action, Resilience, and Environment Committee. She is also the Co-Founder of Pacific Biodiesel, She will be attending COP26 as part of the Hawai'i 'Ohana Delegation.

<http://mauicounty.us/king/>



### **Chip Fletcher**

Charles Fletcher is the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Earth Sciences in the School of Ocean and Earth Sciences and Technology at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. He is also Chairperson of the Honolulu Climate Change Commission. Chip has graduated over 30 graduate students who earned their Masters and Doctorate degrees with him. He and his students have published over 120 peer-reviewed articles on beach processes, the natural history of Hawaiian reefs, and the impacts of sea level rise. He is author of three text books on 1) Earth Systems (3rd Edition), 2) Climate Change (2nd Edition), and 3) Hawaii's Natural History and Hazards. He will be attending COP26 as part of the Hawai'i 'Ohana Delegation.

<https://www.soest.hawaii.edu/soestwp/about/directory/chip-h-fletcher/>



**Colin Lee**

Colin Lee is a Climate Change and Resiliency Policy Analyst at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology working with Dr. Fletcher on the Community Resilience Program. Colin is a recent graduate of the Richardson School of Law where he earned his Juris Doctor and Environmental Law Certificate. Prior to that, Colin grew up on the Windward side of O'ahu and earned his undergraduate degree from the University of California, Santa Barbara in international relations. Colin has focused his professional efforts on coastal protection, renewable energy, and climate change, and has worked for various non-profits including Earthjustice, the Blue Planet Foundation, and the Surfrider Foundation and has worked in state government at the State Judiciary and at the State Legislature. He will be attending COP26 as part of the Hawai'i 'Ohana Delegation.

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**David Forman**

ELP Director David M. Forman plans to attend and participate in events relevant to his service on the State of Hawai'i's Greenhouse Gas Sequestration Task Force, as well as his individual membership in the World Commission on Environmental Law and ELP's status as a voting member of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature. In addition to providing mentorship to and facilitating networking efforts by ELP students attending COP26, he will also explore opportunities to build upon ELP's youth outreach and engagement efforts while also representing his colleagues with the Normandy Chair for Peace.

<https://www.law.hawaii.edu/environmental-law-program-elp>



**Denise Antolini**

Denise Antolini is a Professor of Law at the William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, where she served as the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs from 2011 to 2019. She joined the Law School faculty in 1996 and directed the nationally recognized Environmental Law Program (ELP) for several years.

This is her second COP. At COP26, she will be co-leading the University of Hawai'i delegation and participating in events related to climate law and litigation, including those sponsored by the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law; Hawai'i and Pacific Island climate challenges; and marine ecosystems. In 2018, she attended COP24 in Katowice, Poland as part of the International Union for Conservation of

Nature (IUCN) delegation and co-lead a group of faculty and students from the Richardson Law School.

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**Joe Udell**

Joe Udell is a third-year student in the Environmental Law Program at the William S. Richardson School of Law. He has contributed research in support of the plaintiffs in several landmark youth climate cases and is currently co-authoring a chapter on due diligence under international law for the *Judicial Handbook on Climate Litigation*. He will be attending COP26 as part of the Hawai'i 'Ohana Delegation.

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**Naima Moore**

Naima Te Maile Fifita is a leading and founding member of Our Drowning Voices and President of the Pacific Islander Legal Association at the William S. Richardson School of Law, where she is a JD candidate. Naima is passionate about environmental justice, climate migration policy, and strengthening cross-cultural competencies throughout her legal and non-profit work with institutions like the Institute for Climate and Peace, Blue Ocean Law, and the International Union for Conservation of Nature. Her Pacific Islander and multicultural upbringing and world-embracing views have charged her engagement in numerous areas, particularly legal research, education, and policy transformation. With family residing in Tuvalu, Hawai'i, Aotearoa New Zealand, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands, she is committed to helping coastal communities in the South Pacific combat the effects of climate change with peace and resilience.

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**Diana Lopera**

Diana Lopera is the Climate Change Communications Specialist as part of the Climate Ready Hawai'i VISTA Cohort, which is housed under the Hawai'i Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Commission. She will be attending COP26 as part of the Global YMCA's Youth Delegation and as part of the Hawai'i 'Ohana Delegation.

<https://climate.hawaii.gov/hi-vista/climate-change-communications-specialist/>



**Justice Mike Wilson**

Justice Michael Wilson is a member of the Hawai'i Supreme Court. He is a founding member of the Global Judicial Institute on the Environment and an adjunct faculty member of the Jindal Global University Law School in Sonapat, India. He will be attending COP26 as part of the Hawai'i 'Ohana Delegation.

[https://www.courts.state.hi.us/courts/supreme/justices/justice\\_michael\\_wilson\\_bio](https://www.courts.state.hi.us/courts/supreme/justices/justice_michael_wilson_bio)