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Name of Project: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project
Applicable Law: HRS Chapter 343 and NEPA
Type of Document: Draft Environmental Impact Statement
Island: O'ahu
District: Honolulu and Ewa
TMK: 1-1-2,3,4,6,7,10,35,64,71; 1-2-3,9,13,17,18,26; 1-5-7,15,20,21,28; 2-1-14,27,30,31,50,52; 2-3-2,4,7,38,39; 9-1-16,17,18; 9-4-8,11,17,19,47,48; 9-6-3,4; 9-7-22,23,24; 9-8-9,14,15; 9-9-1,2,3,48,71,76: various parcels
Status: Draft Environmental Impact Statement
Public Comment Deadline: January 7, 2009
Permits Required: Archaeological Resource Protection Permit
Clean Water Act Section 404
Farmland Conversion Impact Rating
Floodplain Management and Protection Approval
Jurisdictional Determination Clean Water Act Section 401
Section 10
Sole Source Aquifer
Archaeological Inventory Survey Plan
Certificate of Inclusion HDLNR (Division of Forestry and Wildlife)
Coastal Zone Management
Drainage Injection Well
Section 106 Memorandum of Agreement
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (Dewatering)
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (General)
Noise Variance
Road Closure
Stream Channel Alteration

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Project Summary: Summary of the direct, indirect, secondary, and cumulative impacts of the proposed action (less than 200 words).

The Project would address the current and future need to address mobility and travel reliability issues, to support transportation and land use planning policies, and improve transportation equity in the area between Kapolei and the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa on the Island of O‘ahu in the State of Hawai‘i. The Draft EIS considers a No Build and three Build Alternatives that would provide high-capacity transit service in the corridor between East Kapolei and Ala Moana Center. The alternatives range between 19 and 25 miles of elevated guideway and include transit stations, park-and-ride facilities, a maintenance and storage facility, and other ancillary facilities to support the transit system. Transportation effects of the project would include: improved transit access, speed and reliability, improved access to planned development, increased travel options for transit dependent, limited income and aging populations, moderation of future traffic congestion, and loss of parking, turn lanes and bicycle lanes in some locations. Potential consequences on the natural and human environment include: reduced air pollutant emissions; reduced transportation energy use; right-of-way acquisition and displacement in some locations; changes to views associated with an elevated guideway, light, glare, and shadows; noise impacts; pruning, removal, and transplantation of street trees; and adverse effects to historic and cultural resources. During construction, there would be temporary adverse effects on access, noise, and traffic. An indirect effect of the project would concentrate future development in the vicinity of planned transit stations. The project's financial analysis shows that the construction and operation of the proposed transit system can be accomplished with identified funding sources.