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Well, here's the obvious-it-was-coming message from Cliff Slater regarding ridership forecasts for the No-Build alternative. I'm looking forward even more than before to the analysis of the No-Build forecast and the insights supporting its reasonableness.

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Jim:

I met you a few years ago in Ron Fisher's office and we talked briefly about Honolulu and travel forecasting problems. Honolulu is now in the Alternatives Analysis stage for a \$5.5 billion (PB's number) 28-mile heavy rail line. The City Council is to pick the LPA by the end of this month.

I have submitted our criticism of the ridership forecasting which appears to have the same erroneous assumption that ridership grows with population that we discussed at the time we met. I have attached our comments on the forecasting. I would appreciate your thoughts on it if you are able to do so.

Thanks,

Cliff

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