



TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

In this section of the research respondents were presented with four potential options regarding what to do about Oahu's traffic problem. The table below highlights the top choice for each respondent.

	Top Choice
A rail option which means building an elevated rail system from Leeward Oahu to Honolulu	45%
An option which focuses on replacing buses, highway construction, boosting efficiency of TheBus system and improving the zipper lane	21%
An option which focuses on expanding TheBus system and building a viaduct for use as a toll road	20%
A "no build" option which focuses on replacing buses and highway construction	5%
Don't know	10%

The top choice among the four options given is the fixed rail system preferred by 45% of the Oahu residents polled. Ranking a distant second is the option of replacing buses, highway construction, boosting efficiency and improving the zipper lane preferred by 21%. Twenty percent would like to build a viaduct for use as a toll road. Just 5% see the "no build" concept as a viable first option.

Rail is the top choice in each of the nine Council Districts.

GET INCREASE

In this section of the research respondents were first asked if they were aware that the General Excise Tax will increase by ½% in January 2007. They were then asked if they were aware that this increase will be used to pay for the rail system.

	OVERALL
Aware of GET increase in January 2007	70%
Aware GET increase will be used to fund rail	62%

A majority (70%) of the Oahu residents polled are aware of the increase in the GET coming in January 2007. Slightly fewer were aware that the increase is there to fund the rail system.