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SUBJECT: Honolulu High Capacity Transit Corridor Project

Dear Mr. Hamayasu,

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the Honolulu High Capacity Transit Corridor Project. The DOT-Airports believes that it is important that the airport and the rail project be integrated as a transportation system to the extent practical and reasonable. These facilities could become ~~and an~~ integral part of the transportation system for many people, especially for one-day travelers departing and arriving at HNL.

Therefore, we prefer the alignment with the transit guideway through the Honolulu International Airport along Aolele Street with one station near the overseas parking garage and the other at the intersection of Aolele Street and Lagoon Drive. Obviously our second pick would be the alignment that runs makai of Nimitz Highway.

In the Kapolei area, we prefer the alignment that runs closest or into Kalaeloa General Aviation Reliever Airport.

With that said, we would like to work with your engineers to determine the preferable alignment and station locations to meet our current and future requirements at Honolulu International Airport. We are currently embarking on a Master Plan and redevelopment plan for Honolulu International Airport, and the preliminary alignment may conflict or duplicate certain facilities.

In addition, please be aware of height restrictions, especially at the area near lagoon Drive which is the runway approach area for Runway 4R and 4L. In addition, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will require a FAA form 7460 be submitted.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on this project and if you have any questions, please contact Mr. Steve Takashima of my staff at 838-8810.