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Ms. Nami Ohtomo  
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1001 Bishop Street, Suite 2400  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Ms. Ohtomo:

This letter responds to your letter received April 3, 2006, regarding the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Transportation Services (DTS), in cooperation with the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) intent to propose public transit improvements in a 23-mile travel corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa, which may include an extension to Waikiki. You requested information on the species under our jurisdiction that may be affected by the project. We provide the following information under our statutory authorities under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA), as amended (16 U.S.C. §1531 *et seq.*), and the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*). Attached is a complete list of all protected species under NOAA Fisheries' (NMFS) jurisdiction that may occur in waters or shorelines around the project area.

Thank you for working with NMFS to protect our nation's living marine resources. Should you have any other questions regarding this project or the consultation process, please contact Krista Graham on my staff at (808) 944-2238, or at the email address [krista.graham@noaa.gov](mailto:krista.graham@noaa.gov). Please refer to consultation #: I-PI-06-494-CY.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris E. Yates".

Chris E. Yates  
Assistant Regional Administrator  
For Protected Resources



**HAWAII MARINE PROTECTED SPECIES**  
National Marine Fisheries Service, Pacific Islands Regional Office

**MARINE MAMMALS**

All marine mammals are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Those in *ITALICIZED CAPITALS* are also listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act.

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>
<i>HAWAIIAN MONK SEAL</i>	<i>Monachus schauinslandi</i>
<i>HUMPBACK WHALE</i>	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>
<i>SPERM WHALE</i>	<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>
<i>BLUE WHALE</i>	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>
<i>FIN WHALE</i>	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>
Common Dolphin	<i>Delphinus delphis</i>
Northern Elephant Seal	<i>Mirounga angustirostris</i>
Rough-Toothed Dolphin	<i>Steno bredanensis</i>
Risso's Dolphin	<i>Grampus griseus</i>
Bottlenose Dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>
Pantropical Spotted Dolphin	<i>Stenella attenuata</i>
Spinner Dolphin	<i>Stenella longirostris</i>
Striped Dolphin	<i>Stenella coeruleoalba</i>
Melon-Headed Whale	<i>Peponocephala electra</i>
Pygmy Killer Whale	<i>Feresa attenuata</i>
False Killer Whale	<i>Pseudorca crassidens</i>
Killer Whale	<i>Orcinus orca</i>
Short-Finned Pilot Whale	<i>Globicephala macrorhynchus</i>
Blainville's Beaked Whale	<i>Mesoplodon densirostris</i>
Cuvier's Beaked Whale	<i>Ziphius cavirostris</i>
Pygmy Sperm Whale	<i>Kogia breviceps</i>
Dwarf Sperm Whale	<i>Kogia sima</i>
Bryde's Whale	<i>Balaenoptera edeni</i>
Fraser's Dolphin	<i>Lagenodelphis hosei</i>

**SEA TURTLES**

All sea turtles are protected under the Endangered Species Act. Those in *italics* are listed as endangered, while those in normal lettering are listed as threatened.

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>
<i>LEATHERBACK TURTLE</i>	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>
<i>HAWKSBILL TURTLE</i>	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>
GREEN TURTLE	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>
OLIVE RIDLEY TURTLE	<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>
LOGGERHEAD TURTLE	<i>Caretta caretta</i>

*Last updated July 2004*