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Re: Environmental Review – Proposed site for
precast yard, Honolulu High Capacity Transit
Corridor Project

Dear Mr. Hamayasu: *TORU*

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has completed its review of the materials submitted by the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation regarding the proposed site for the precast yard for the Honolulu High Capacity Transit Corridor Project. The proposed site is a 34-acre property within the West Kalaeloa Business Park. The site is located in an industrial area, is zoned for industrial activities, has adequate highway access, and was previously graded to accommodate development.

Under 23 CFR Part 771.130(c), FTA has reviewed supplemental environmental studies to assess the impacts of the use of the proposed site. Based on this review, FTA has determined that the proposed site for the precast yard does not include new significant environmental impacts to planned growth or land use for the area; does not cause the relocation of significant numbers of people; does not have a significant impact on natural, cultural, recreational, historical or other resources; does not have significant impacts on traffic or travel patterns; and does not otherwise, either individually or cumulatively, have any other significant environmental impacts. FTA has determined that no additional environmental review is required at this time.

FTA further finds the proposed site is consistent with the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the project, and that the mitigation proposed for impacts created by the use of the site as planned is adequate and consistent with the mitigation measures identified in the FEIS. Specifically, these mitigation measures identified in the FEIS relate to noise, dust, vehicle exhaust, storm water drainage, and traffic control.

If you have questions about our review, please contact Ted Matley, Community Planner, at (415) 744-2590.

Sincerely,


for Leslie T. Rogers
Regional Administrator