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Hello all –

I had a conversation with Faith Miyamoto this afternoon and received an update on a few items. Below is a quick update.

Programmatic Agreement

- The Navy will be sending a letter to Leslie Rogers requesting to be a signatory on the programmatic agreement.
 - When this happens, the ACHP requested that we send an email notifying the consulting parties that the Navy will be a signatory
 - We may need to draft a letter response accepting their request to be a signatory. ?
- Before our last call on September 10, 2010, we received a letter from the ACHP with their comments on the PA. The letter supported the resolution of some of the concerns raised by the SHPO.
- During our last call with the signatories on the PA, we discussed language we proposed by the SHPO, ACHP, and NPS, accepted most of their proposed changes, and made a number tweaks to the PA. One outstanding issue remains regarding concern over potential indirect and cumulative adverse effects to historic properties. Carl and Chris developed language that is similar to an example PA shared by the ACHP to address specific indirect and cumulative effects when they are identified by signatories during construction or during the 10 year term on the PA. This language needs to be reconciled with language the City prepared as “Appendix A” to the PA. I am working on that.
- All the latest PA materials are saved on the S drive under the Honolulu folder.

PreCast Yard

- The City is drafting information to send to FTA on the precast yard. I got the impression that the information will not be the site specific information we requested, but a justification of why the precast yard should be handled at a later date.

Idiot EIS

- Ted received an email from Hawaii’s Thousand Friends about new articles related to the City’s contract with consultants specifying the preparation of an “idiot EIS.” Faith is sending us information on the City’s response to that press. The contract was a poor choice of wording to describe the DVD reader’s guide for the EIS. The information from Faith can help us respond to Hawaii’s Thousand Friends.

Response to Comments and Draft ROD

- The City will be sending their draft matrix at the end of this week. They would like to have a discussion on the responses and how to incorporate them into the ROD next week or sometime soon.

Preliminary Engineer Activities

- Faith had questions on environmental documentation for allowable PE activities.

Information Section 7 Consultation

- I have not heard whether we have received a response from USFWS.

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