
From: Ryan, James (FTA)
To: Rutter, Jason; Eckmann, Alex (FTA)
Sent: 11/3/2009 9:11:34 AM
Subject: RE: Additional Project Descriptions
Attachments: Honolulu project mapping.pdf

Jason:

Here is the detailed description of the project from the FEIS -- both narrative and very detailed maps with station names and street names.

One note on the narrative: folks in Hawaii don't refer to directions using our conventional north, south, east, and west. They use directions that reflect their island setting. The FEIS narrative uses local terminology; so here's a quick guide to interpretation.

- Mauka always means "towards the mountains" -- usually the center of the island;
- Makai always means "towards the ocean;"

Both Honolulu and the rail corridor extend along the south shore of Oahu; so, in Honolulu, mauka is more-or-less north and makai is more-or-less south.

Also in Honolulu, the major landmark to the east of town is Koko Head -- a large volcanic formation a few miles east of Diamond Head in Waikiki. And the major landmark to the west of town is either the Ewa coastal plain or the Waianae coast. So, east is "Koko Head" and west is usually "Ewa" but sometimes "Waianae."

Now you know how to interpret sentences like:

"The guideway will continue past Aloha Stadium along Kamehameha Highway makai to Nimitz Highway and turn makai onto Aolele Street."

"Koko Head of Middle Street, the guideway will follow Dillingham Boulevard to the vicinity of Ka'aahi Street and then turn Koko Head to connect to Nimitz Highway near Iwilei Road."

As you will see in the text I extracted, there's an appendix to the FEIS that has even more detailed mapping of the project. The file is massive, however, and I suspect that it will not get through as an e-mail attachment. Let me know if you need more detail and we'll see how we can get that appendix to you.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Jim Ryan

From: Rutter, Jason [mailto:jrutter@firstam.com]
Sent: Tue 11/3/2009 1:18 PM
To: Eckmann, Alex (FTA); Ryan, James (FTA)
Subject: RE: Additional Project Descriptions

James,

If you have a map with station names included that would be very helpful, but narrative is great. Narrative describing the alignment, and cross streets of station locations is what we need to place the project in the correct location. If the stations have names in the project description then we would also like to include them on the map so the project map properly represents the project description.

Jason

From: Alex.Eckmann@dot.gov [mailto:Alex.Eckmann@dot.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 12:23 PM
To: Rutter, Jason
Subject: FW: Additional Project Descriptions

Jason, please provide an answer to Jim Ryan's question below on the Honolulu map.

Alex

From: Ryan, James (FTA)
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 12:20 PM
To: Eckmann, Alex (FTA)
Subject: RE: Additional Project Descriptions

Alex:

I'm not sure what your request is. A better map with street names and station names? A narrative describing the alignment? A table of station names?

Have an example or two of what you need for "production" of project maps for the report?

Jim

From: Eckmann, Alex (FTA)
Sent: Tue 11/3/2009 9:56 AM
To: Ryan, James (FTA); Loui, Anthony (FTA)
Cc: 'Rutter, Jason'
Subject: FW: Additional Project Descriptions

Jim and Tony,

Can you provide additional project descriptive material on Honolulu and Draper, respectively, for production of these project's maps for the NS Report. We need more precise locations of the alignments and stations (and station names if available)?

I have included the base maps we have of these two projects for your reference.

Thanks.

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Alex,

Can we get additional project descriptions for the "Draper Corridor LRT" and "Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor

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Project"? The base maps show very general locations, and without additional information it is difficult to place station locations.

Thank you.

Jason

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