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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. A. Tabar
2415 Ala Wai Boulevard, #1801
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Tabar:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. A. Talat
1002 Prospect Street, A1
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Talat:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

Energy needs and sources will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Alternative energy sources will be considered during project design if they can be implemented economically.

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Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

The primary local funding source will be through a 0.5% excise tax increase, which also will be paid by all visitors on goods and services they purchase while on Oahu.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Conceptual station designs are being evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Detailed designs will be completed at a later phase of the project.

Small-scale people movers have been eliminated for consideration because of their limited speed and capacity.

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Adrian Franke
2650 Gardenia St
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Dear Adrian:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Information was posted to the website shortly after the scoping meetings. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

The purpose of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is to provide improved mobility consistent with existing and planned development patterns. While the project may result in accelerated development along the

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corridor, it would not change development patterns already established in island-wide plans.

The project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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Mr. Alan Gano
92-730 Nohona
Makakilo, Hawaii 96707

Dear Mr. Gano:

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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

The project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments.

While express tracks could allow for some trains to increase their average speed, it would also require doubling the width and substantially increase the cost of the proposed facility. Initial evaluation shows that a two-track system can meet long-range capacity and speed goals.

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Mr. Albert K. Fukushima, Chair
Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21
1841 Palamoi Street
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782

Dear Mr. Fukushima:

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Ms. Alexandra Lake
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Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Ms. Lake:

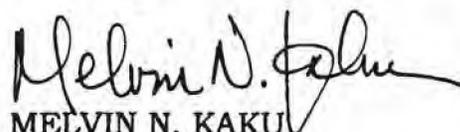
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Mr. Alvin Keali'i Chock, Vice President
The Arbors AOA
91-1064 La'Aulu Street, #E
Ewa, Hawaii 96706-3866

Dear Mr. Chock:

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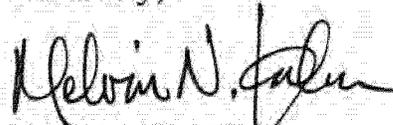
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Ms. Amy Kimura
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Ms. Amy Kimura

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Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

Sincerely,

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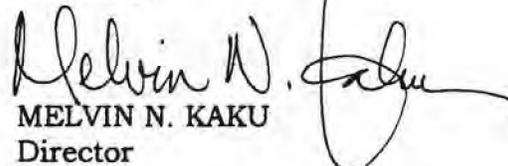
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Mr. Andrew Jackson
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2480 Aapi Place
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782

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Mr. Andrew Jackson

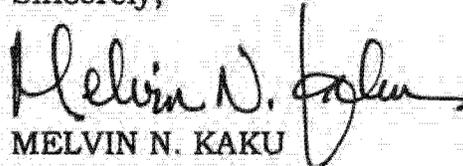
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Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

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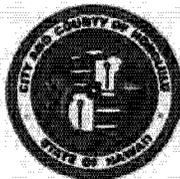

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Mr. Andrew Speese
1105 Lunaanela Street
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

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Ms. Anita Mueller
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Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

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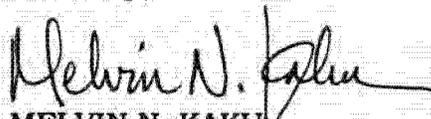
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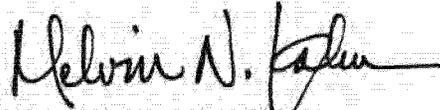
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The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Sincerely,



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Ms. Ann Ruby
55 South Kukui Street, D703
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Dear Ms. Ruby:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Ms. Ann Ruby

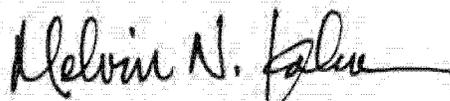
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The No-build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

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Ms. Annie Stevens
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Dear Ms. Stevens:

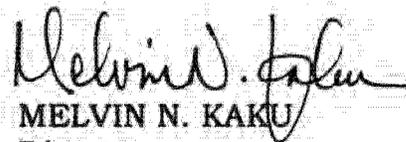
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Separate hearings were held prior to the City Council's enactment of the tax. The City Council plans to hold hearings and select a locally preferred alternative prior to the tax going into effect.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Anthony Ho
99-060 Kauhale Street, #605
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Dear Mr. Ho:

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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

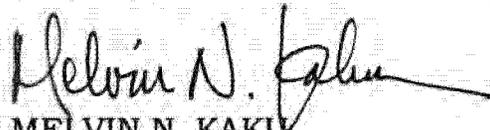
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Air pollution impacts will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,


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Ms. April Cadiz
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Dear Ms. Cadiz:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvin N. Kaku", is written over a horizontal line.

MELVIN N. KAKU
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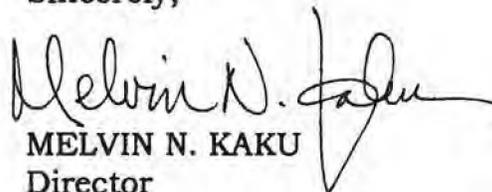
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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

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Ms. Arleen Hama
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Dear Ms. Hama:

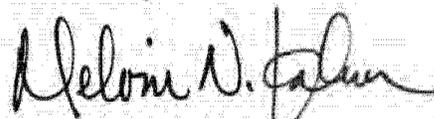
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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process. Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Arza Patterson
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Dear Mr. Patterson:

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Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

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Ms. Betty Wood
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Dear Ms. Wood:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

Ms. Betty Wood
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The project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments.

Sincerely,



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Ms. Beverly Yow
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Dear Ms. Yow:

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

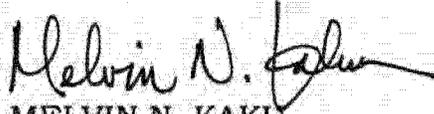
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Energy needs and sources will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Alternative energy sources will be considered during project design if they can be implemented economically.

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Mr. Bill Plum
P.O. Box 3503
Honolulu, Hawaii 96811-3503

Dear Mr. Plum:

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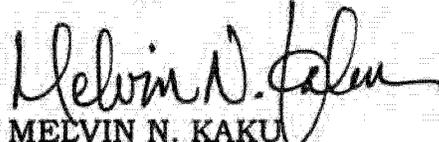
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Mr. Bob Loy
The Outdoor Circle
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Dear Mr. Loy:

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process. Advertising will be consistent with state and local laws.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Mr. Bob Loy
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Impacts on trees will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and receive further detailed review in the draft Environmental Impact Statement.

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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed too minimize negative visual effects of the project.

The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

Mr. Bob Loy
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

The range of alternatives will be evaluated in-depth in the Alternatives Analysis.

Advertising will be consistent with state and local laws.

Impacts on trees will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and receive further detailed review in the draft Environmental Impact Statement.

The draft Environmental Impact Statement will discuss consistency with local plans and regulations, including any laws that would have to be changed to implement the project.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The project team will continue to coordinate with your organization over the course of the project.

Sincerely,



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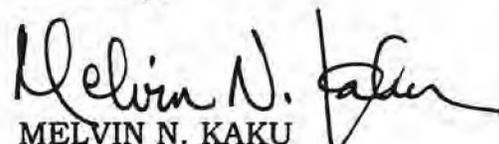
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The range of alternatives will be evaluated in-depth in the Alternatives Analysis. The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate traffic operations for each of the alternatives.

Sincerely,


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Mr. Bob Thompson
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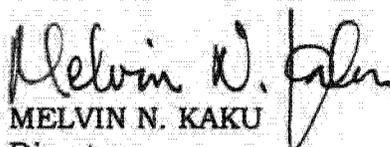
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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. Brett Kurashige
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Dear Mr. Kurashige:

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii State Legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

Mr. Brett Kurashige

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

The Honorable Brian Kanno
The Senate
State of Hawaii
State Capitol, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Kanno:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

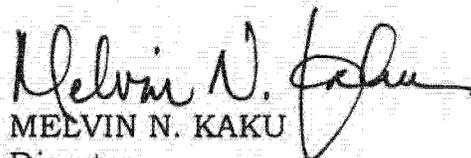
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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

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Mr. Brian Kawabe
98-478 Kilipohe Street
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Dear Mr. Kawabe:

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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Mr. Brian Kawabe

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The managed lanes alternative accommodates toll-paying vehicles along with buses and HOVs.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Brian Shiro
91-1031 Kaimalie Street, #4R3
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Shiro:

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Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they

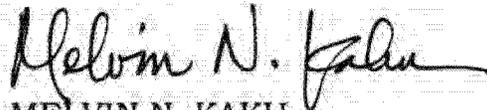
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demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii State Legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Brian Taylor
University of Hawaii
361 Kawaihae Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Mr. Taylor:

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact

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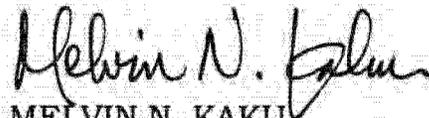
Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

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Mr. Byron Ogata
P.O. Box 1375
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782

Dear Mr. Ogata:

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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

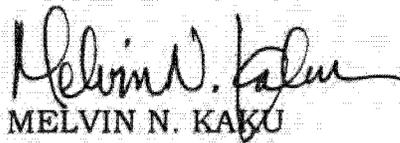
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June 20, 2006

C.C. Curry
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Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear C.C. Curry:

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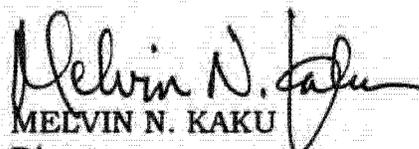
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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

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June 20, 2006

The Honorable Carol Fukunaga
The Senate
State Capitol, Room 216
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Dear Senator Fukunaga:

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Impacts to businesses, including displacements and access changes will be considered in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement.

The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate the numbers of properties that would need to be acquired for each of the alternatives. The project team is attempting to minimize the number of displacements that would occur as a result of the project.

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The Honorable Carol Fukunaga

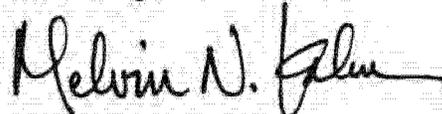
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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Carol Mae Takahashi
c/o Hawaii's Plantation Village
94-1012 Lahe Street
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Ms. Takahashi:

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Ms. Carol Philips
P.O. Box 8
Haleiwa, Hawaii 96712

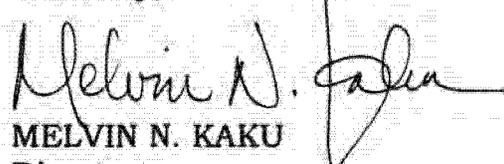
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Ms. Carolyn Crandall
255 River Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Ms. Crandall:

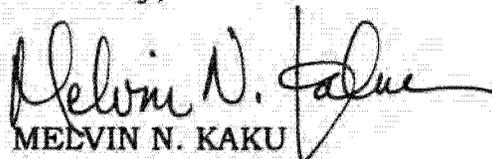
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The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

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Ms. Cassie Lee
1176 Lunahaneli Place
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Ms. Lee:

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Ms. Catharine Lo
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Haleiwa, Hawaii 96712

Dear Ms. Lo:

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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

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Ms. Catherine Baker
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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Ms. Catherine Baker

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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

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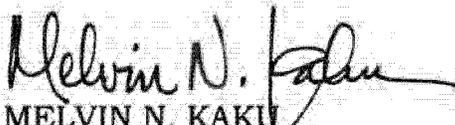
The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Details on the localized effects of each alternative are still under development and will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis.

Either rail or bus alternatives would be eligible for Federal Transit Administration funding.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Chad Taniguchi
Hawaii Bicycling League
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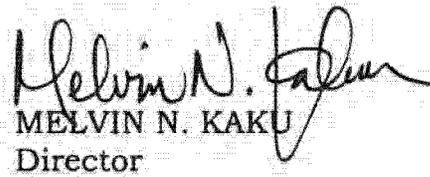
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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives. Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Charlene Tarr
94-221 Ohe'ala Place
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Ms. Tarr:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

Mahalo for submitting comments during the scoping process for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Your comments, along with over 500 others, were reviewed and considered during the development of the final purpose and need, alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis, and scope of environmental analysis for the project. The outcome of the scoping process is summarized in the scoping report which is available for review at the project website www.honolulutransit.org. All of the comments received during the scoping process are included in the appendices to the report, and also may be downloaded.

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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Charles Carole
1310 Heulu Street, #1002
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Carole:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The No-build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

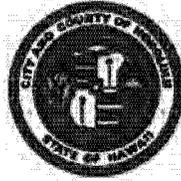
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Mr. Charles Carter
2432 Cleghorn St., #205
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Carter:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Charles Ferrell
700 Richards Street, #2103
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Ferrell:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Mr. Charles Ferrell

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Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Charles Scott
566 Ahina Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Dear Mr. Scott:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Chris Dacus
440 Seaside Avenue, #303
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Dacus:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis. Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Christine Olah
1655 Makaloa Street, #1910
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Ms. Olah:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus. Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service. Buses would continue to provide a substantial portion of the transit service on Oahu.

Impacts to businesses, including displacements and access changes will be considered in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement.

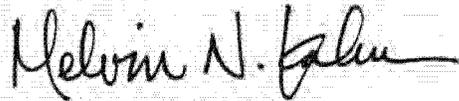
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Many details about system amenities and operations are still under development. Any transit planning for other islands would be conducted by the local government on the neighboring island.

Sincerely,



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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Clara Bantolina
91-206 Hookaulana Place
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Ms. Bantolina:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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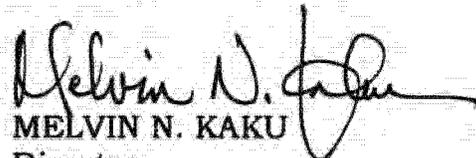
Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Ms. Clara Bantolina
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Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

The Honorable Clarence Nishihara
The Senate
State of Hawaii
State Capitol, Room 208
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Nishihara:

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Cliff Slater
Honolulutraffic.com
PO Box 15502
Honolulu, Hawaii 96830

Dear Mr. Slater:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor. A two-lane reversible option for the managed lane alternative, matching what you have proposed, has been added to the range of alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process. Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis. Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

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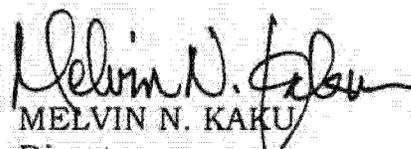
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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process. The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Clifford Kanda
1101 Kokea Street, #J203
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Mr. Kanda:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

The Alternatives Analysis will consider alternatives that both serve and do not serve Waikiki.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM,

Mr. Clifford Kanda
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managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Either rail or bus alternatives would be eligible for Federal Transit Administration funding.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Clyde Kobatake
1200 Kamehame Drive
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Mr. Kobatake:

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU

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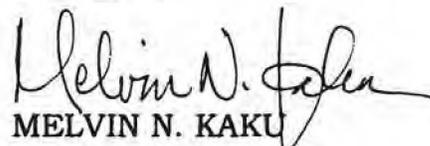
Dear Mr. Namuo:

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Sincerely,


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Ms. Colleen Neely
91-1105 Welowelo Street
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Ms. Neely:

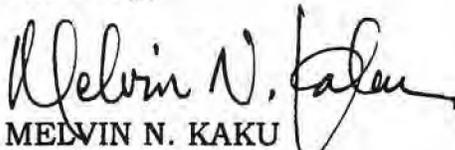
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Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Conrad W Blankensee
P.O Box 4226
Laguna Beach, California 92651

Dear Mr. Blankensee:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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Mr. Craig Kobayashi
Hawaiian Airlines
98-641 Aloalii Street
Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. Kobayashi:

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Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis.

Mr. Craig Kobayashi

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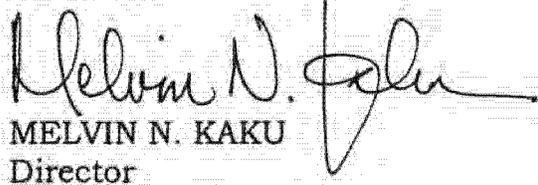
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Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii State Legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Craig Meyers
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Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. Meyers:

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Comments

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Curtis Harada
45-821 Kupohu Street
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Mr. Harada:

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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed too minimize negative visual effects of the project

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis.

Mr. Curtis Harada
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Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Curtis Takano
94-401 Nui St.
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. Takano:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis.

The purpose of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is to provide improved mobility consistent with existing and planned development patterns. While the project may result in accelerated development along the corridor, it would not change development patterns already established in island-wide plans.

Mr. Curtis Takano

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The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all State and Federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

The range of alternatives will be evaluated in-depth in the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. D. J. Henderson
University of Hawaii
366 Awakea Road
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Mr. Henderson:

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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

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Mr. D.J. Henderson

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Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,



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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Ms. Dale Evans
Charley's Taxi
680 Ala Moana Boulevard, #303
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Evans:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The project is consistent with long-range land use planning on Oahu.

Ms. Dale Evans
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The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Dan Mita
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Dear Mr. Mita:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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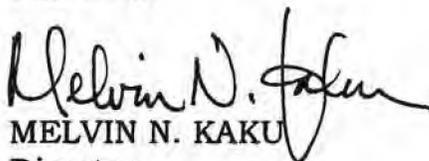
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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Ms. Dana Jones
87-126 Helelua Street, #P-302
Waianae, Hawaii 96792

Dear Ms. Jones:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Dane Gonsalves
1279 South King Street, #2
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Mr. Gonsalves:

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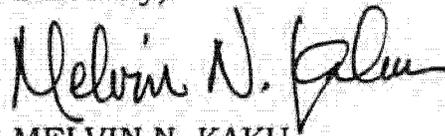
Mr. Dane Gonsalves

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Public understanding and involvement is important to the success of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Information and outreach will continue for the duration of the project, with a goal of reaching out to a broad spectrum of interested people.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Dane Robertson
47-261 Hui Iwa Street, #C
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

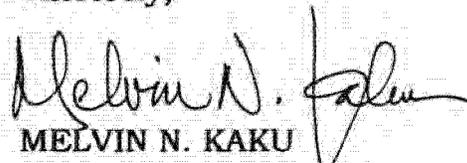
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Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Danell Avila
Post Office Box 75065
Honolulu, Hawaii 96836

Dear Mr. Avila:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

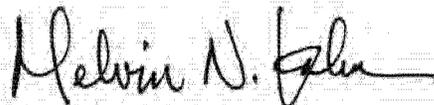
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Mr. Danell Avila
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The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Daniel Mueller
91-573 Pupū Street
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Mueller:

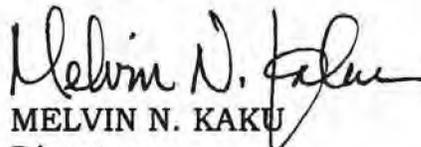
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Darci Evans
680 Ala Moana Boulevard, #303
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Evans:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process. State law places project decision-making authority with the Honolulu City Council.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Buses would continue to provide a substantial portion of the transit service on Oahu.

Ms. Darci Evans
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Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Darice Young
Federal Aviation Administration
U. S. Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 50109
Honolulu, Hawaii 96850

Dear Ms. Young:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The project team will continue to coordinate with your agency over the course of the project.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Darin Mijo
44-705 Nanamoana Place
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Mr. Mijo:

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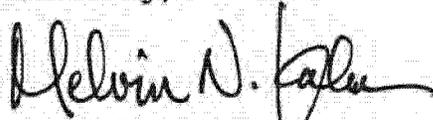


Mr. Darin Mijo
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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Darleen Binney
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Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Ms. Binney:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

Mahalo for submitting comments during the scoping process for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Your comments, along with over 500 others, were reviewed and considered during the development of the final purpose and need, alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis, and scope of environmental analysis for the project. The outcome of the scoping process is summarized in the scoping report which is available for review at the project website www.honolulutransit.org. All of the comments received during the scoping process are included in the appendices to the report, and also may be downloaded.

Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Darrell Ing
60 North Beretania Street, #2010
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Mr. Ing:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

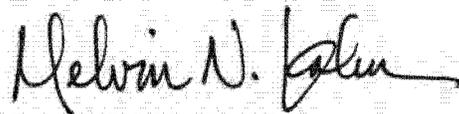
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Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

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Mr. Dave Bourgoïn
1188 Bishop Street, #2010
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Bourgoïn:

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Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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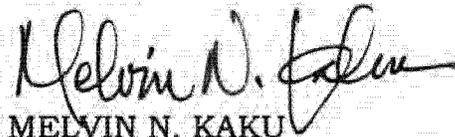
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Mr. Dave Rae
92-4998 Limukele Street
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Dear Mr. Rae:

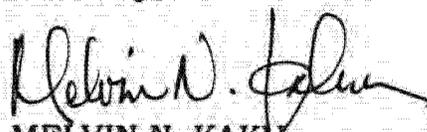
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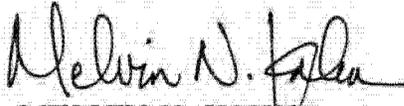
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Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. David Choy
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Choy:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. David Hiple
University of Hawaii
2957 Kalakaua Avenue, #515
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Dear Mr. Hiple:

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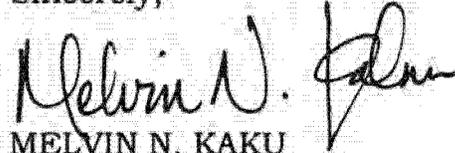
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98-1724 A Kaahumanu Street
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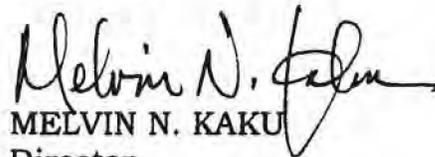
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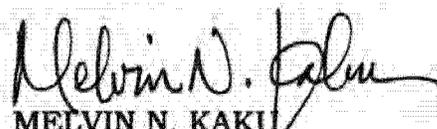
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June 20, 2006

Mr. David Rolf
Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association
1100 Alakea Street, Suite 2601
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Rolf:

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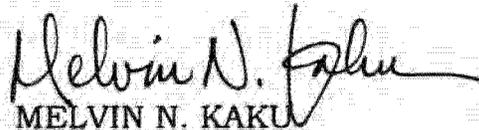
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The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

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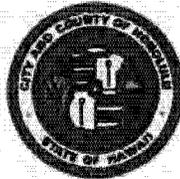

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Mr. David Thompson
Mea Pacific Traders
P.O. Box 88
Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795

Dear Mr. Thompson:

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The purpose of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is to provide improved mobility consistent with existing and planned development patterns. While the project may result in accelerated development along the corridor, it would not change development patterns already established in island-wide plans.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

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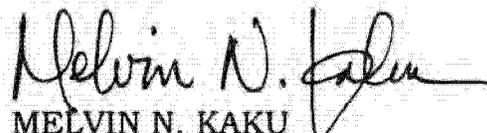
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The project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments.

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

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Ms. Daisy Murai
3039 Kaunaoa Street
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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

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Ms. Debbie Stelmach
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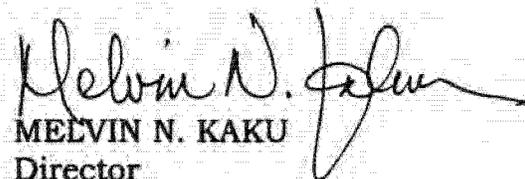
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Debi Balmilero
Certified Management, Inc.
3179 Koapaka Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

Dear Ms. Balmilero:

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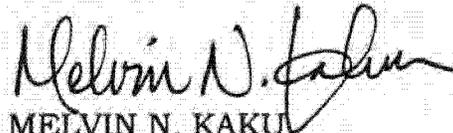
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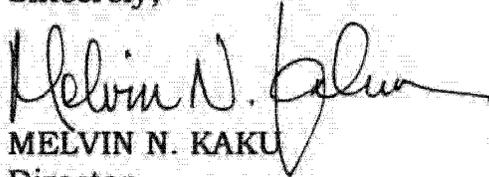
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Delwyn Ching
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P.O. Box 23029
Honolulu, Hawaii 96823-3029

Dear Mr. Ching:

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Mr. Delwyn Ching

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Mr. Dennis Callan
1011 Prospect Street, #702
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Dear Mr. Callan:

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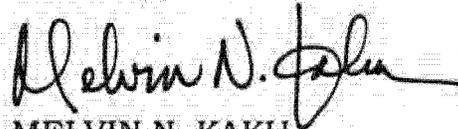
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Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

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Mr. Dennis Dang
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Dear Mr. Dang:

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Mr. Dennis Tsuruda
94-1052 Kikepa Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Tsuruda:

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Mr. Dexter Okada
Kakaako Business and Landowners Association
P.O. Box 898
Honolulu, Hawaii 96808

Dear Mr. Okada:

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Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Many users of Oahu's transportation system regularly experience substantial traffic delay and congestion.

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The project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments.

The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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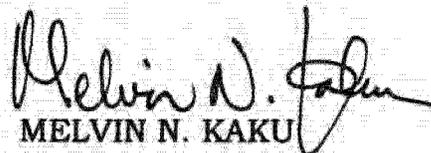
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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

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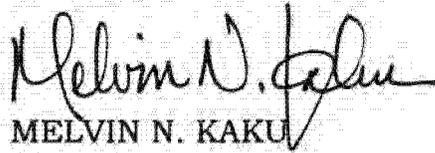
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Dear Mr. Omine:

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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Mr. Dirk Omine

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47-165 Heno Place
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

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Mr. Donn Furushima

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Mr. Donnie Banquil
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Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

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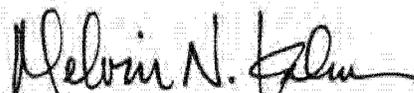
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Mr. Douglas Prather
86-174 Moelua Street
Waianae, Hawaii 96792

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Mr. Duane James
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, California 94105

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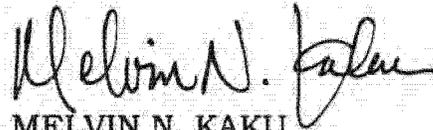
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Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. David Webre
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Dear Mr. Webre:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

The number of buses anticipated to be required is less than the available capacity of the managed lanes facility being evaluated, therefore, high-occupancy (HOV) or toll-paying (HOT) vehicles could be allowed to use the excess capacity available under Alternative 3 without degrading bus travel times.

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Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

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Mr. Ed Alakea
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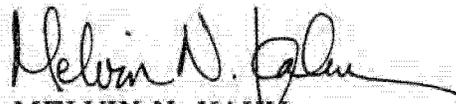
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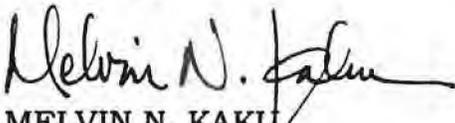
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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Information was posted to the website shortly after the scoping meetings. Scoping letters have been included in the Scoping Information Package and are available on the project website www.honolulustransit.org.

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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

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The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

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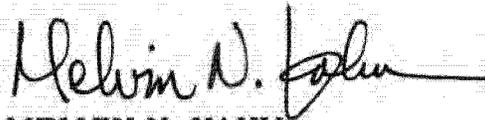
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Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

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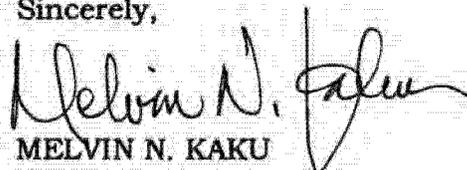
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Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

The managed lanes alternative accommodates toll-paying vehicles along with buses and HOVs.

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Mr. Eric Miyasato
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Dear Mr. Miyasato:

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Mr. Ernie Yow
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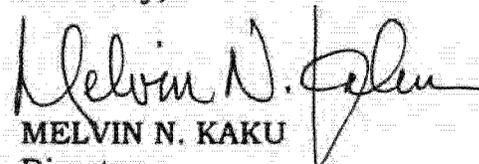
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Ms. Eva Uran
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank and Ann White
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. White:

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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Public understanding and involvement is important to the success of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Information and outreach will continue for the duration of the project, with a goal of reaching out to a broad spectrum of interested people.

Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247,

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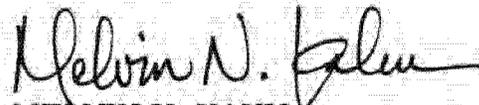
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Personal rapid transit has been eliminated for consideration because of their limited speed and capacity.

The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

Sincerely,



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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

The No-Build Alternative is required in the Alternatives Analysis project to provide a baseline for comparison of the other alternatives. The City Council will select a preferred alternative after completion of the Alternatives Analysis.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

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The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate the numbers of properties that would need to be acquired for each of the alternatives. The project team is attempting to minimize the number of displacements that would occur as a result of the project.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various Alternatives.

Energy needs and sources will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Alternative energy sources will be considered during project design if they can be implemented economically.

The draft Environmental Impact Statement will discuss consistency with local plans and regulations, including any laws that would have to be changed to implement the project.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The project is consistent with long-range land use planning on Oahu.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

Mr. Frank Genadio

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Either rail or bus alternatives would be eligible for Federal Transit Administration funding.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

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The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Sincerely,



MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Frank Mak
1717 Mott-Smith Drive, #2114
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Mak:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

Mahalo for submitting comments during the scoping process for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Your comments, along with over 500 others, were reviewed and considered during the development of the final purpose and need, alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis, and scope of environmental analysis for the project. The outcome of the scoping process is summarized in the scoping report which is available for review at the project website www.honolulustransit.org. All of the comments received during the scoping process are included in the appendices to the report, and also may be downloaded.

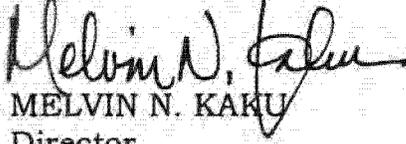
Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed
Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis.
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Mr. Frank Smith
2476 Waiomao Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

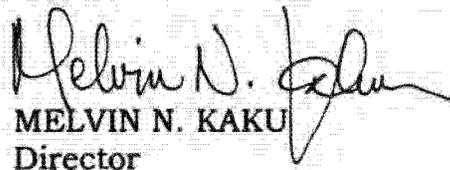
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The project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Franklin Hayashida
94-1136 Moololo Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Hayashida:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

Mr. Franklin Hayashida

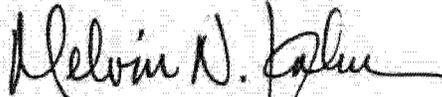
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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Since long-range plans identify a transit corridor to Kapolei, any future policy decision that would eliminate the corridor should re-assess long-range planning on Oahu.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Frederick Gross
1434 Punchbowl Street, #837
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Gross:

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The alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

The former OR & L rail alignment was considered and rejected because of the number of constraints existing along the alignment.

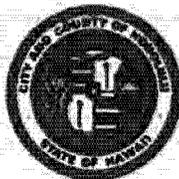
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Mr. Gareth Sakakida
Hawaii Transportation Association
2850 Paa Street, #204
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

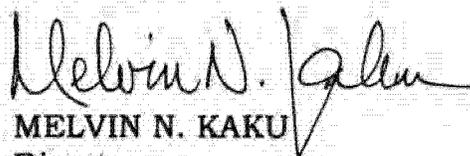
Dear Mr. Sakakida:

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To schedule a presentation to a group or organization, please contact Nalani Dahl at 531-4252, Ext. 39.

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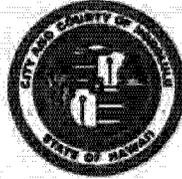

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Mr. Gary Everett
1060 Kamehameha Highway
#1601B
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782

Dear Mr. Everett:

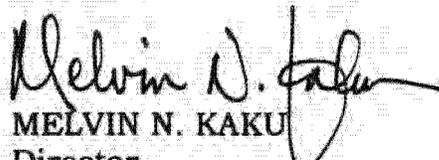
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project

Sincerely,


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Mr. Gary Sato
TriMoving - Triathlon & Cycling Club
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

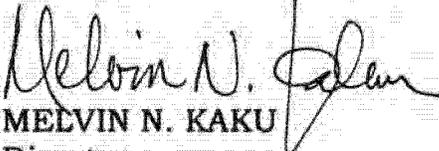
Dear Mr. Sato:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. Gene Awakuni
University of Hawaii
96-129 Ala Ike Street
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Dear Mr. Awakuni:

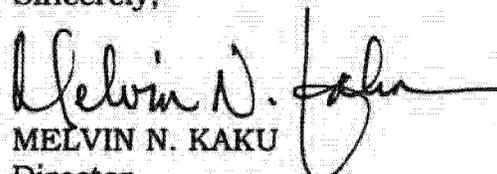
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June 20, 2006

Mr. George Ikeda
1341 Kapiolani Boulevard, #5A
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Mr. Ikeda:

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The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

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Mr. George Ikeda

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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. George Melenka
303 Liliuokalani Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Melenka:

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Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald and Carole Siegel
Mililani/Waipio/Melemanu
Neighborhood Board No. 25
95-457 Kaelo Place
Mililani Town, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Siegel:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald and Carole Siegel

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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

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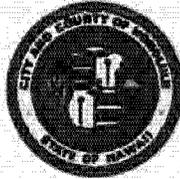

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Glen Tanaka
1831 South King Street, #203
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Tanaka:

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Sincerely,


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Mr. Glenn Oamilda
91-1179 Puamaeole Street
Ewa, Hawaii 96706

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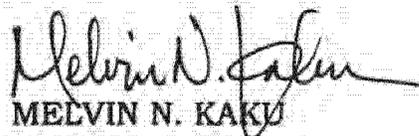
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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Gregory Foret
Benedictine Monastery
P.O. Box 490
Waialua, Hawaii 96791

Dear Mr. Foret:

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While the TSM alternative largely relies on operating buses in existing roadways, the other project alternatives attempt to offer the best transit service by providing buses on existing roads feeding into either a newly-constructed managed lane viaduct or a newly-constructed fixed guideway transit system.

A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

Mr. Gregory Foret
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The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Gregory James Kauwe
725 Piikoi Street, #307
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Mr. Kauwe:

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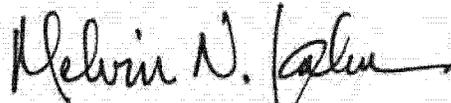
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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed
Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis.
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Sincerely,



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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Gregory Mueller
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Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Mueller:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

Mahalo for submitting comments during the scoping process for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Your comments, along with over 500 others, were reviewed and considered during the development of the final purpose and need, alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis, and scope of environmental analysis for the project. The outcome of the scoping process is summarized in the scoping report which is available for review at the project website www.honolulustransit.org. All of the comments received during the scoping process are included in the appendices to the report, and also may be downloaded.

Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvin N. Kaku".

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Guy Leopard
95-019 Kahoea Street, #155
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. Leopard:

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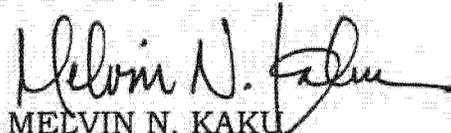
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The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

System operation for passenger comfort will be a project consideration.

Sincerely,


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Mr. Guy Monahan
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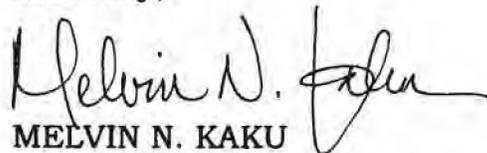
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Gwen DeLuze
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Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Ms. DeLuze:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and Draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Sincerely,


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Mr. H. Hakoda
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Mr. Hakoda:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate the numbers of properties that would need to be acquired for each of the alternatives. The project team is attempting to minimize the number of displacements that would occur as a result of the project.

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The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Harlan Aliment
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Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Mr. Aliment:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Mr. Harlan Aliment

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Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Harry Yoshida
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Dear Mr. Yoshida:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Mr. Harry Yoshida

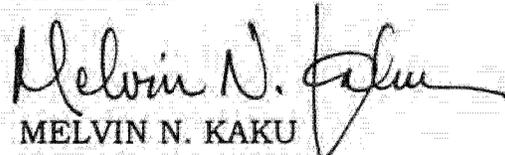
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Small-scale people movers have been eliminated for consideration because of their limited speed and capacity.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
Director



NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION
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DATE: Jan. 5, 2006 No. of pages in this transmittal: 2 Fax:
TO: Tora Hamayasu Company/Dept: DTS 6987

Remarks: *Mahalo Deanna —
per the request of Lynn Matason, Chair
Downtown ND #13.*

*Mahalo
Marie*

FROM: Marie Phone: 527-5578 FAX: 527-5760

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Helen McCune
2464 Prince Edward Street, #612
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Ms. McCune:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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System operations are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis. The technology selected for implementation will be the one that best meets the requirements for the alternative selected at the lowest total system cost.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Advertising will be consistent with state and local laws.

Ms. Helen McCune

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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Ms. Helen Walker
1092 Hele Street
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Ms. Walker:

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Mr. Henry Curtis
Life Of The Land
76 North King Street, Suite 203
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Mr. Curtis:

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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in

travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Energy needs and sources will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Alternative energy sources will be considered during project design if they can be implemented economically.

The range of alternatives will be evaluated in-depth in the Alternatives Analysis.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

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Mr. Henry Curtis
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Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,



MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Henry Lee
47-507 Haanopu Way
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Mr. Lee:

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Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

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The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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Mr. Henry Mochida
3524 Loulu Street
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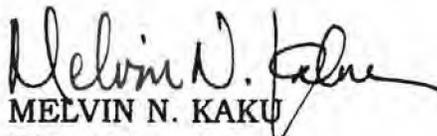
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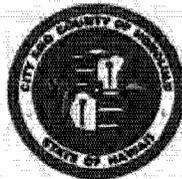
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Hitoshi Hattori
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2229 Kuhio Avenue, #A
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Hattori:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Mr. Hitoshi Hattori

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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Air pollution impacts will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Holli Shiro
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Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Ms. Shiro:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Howard Hoddich
1453 Miloiki Street
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Dear Mr. Hoddich:

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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

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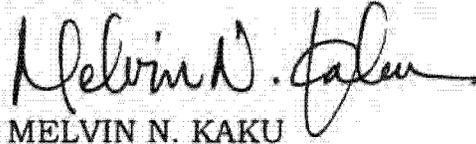
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Ian Capps
1650 Ala Moana Boulevard, #2911
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Capps:

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Ian Mckay
P.O. Box 62222
Honolulu, Hawaii 96839

Dear Mr. Mckay:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Ira Tagawa
98-1861 Piki Street
Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. Tagawa:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Mr. Ira Tagawa
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

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Ms. Irma Cunha
1314 S. King, #306
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

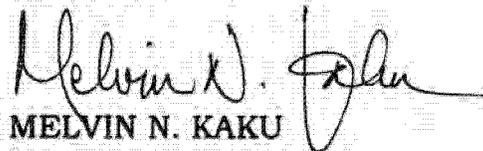
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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Sincerely,


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Mr. Irvin Sugimoto
95-1063 Hookupu Street
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. Sugimoto:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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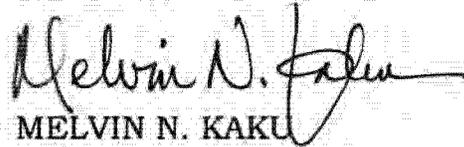
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Mr. & Mrs. Jack and Janet Gillmar
WIA and ASLA
P.O. Box 2902
Honolulu, Hawaii 96802

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Gillmar:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Sincerely,


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Ms. Jadine Callejo
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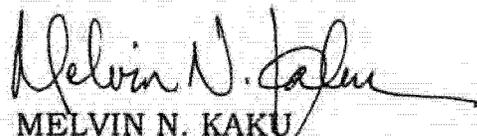
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Since long-range plans identify a transit corridor to Kapolei, any future policy decision that would eliminate the corridor should re-assess long-range planning on Oahu.

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Mr. James Donovan
5090 Likini Street, #903E
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Dear Mr. Donovan:

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. James Greubel
91-1021 Holunape St.
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Mr. Greubel:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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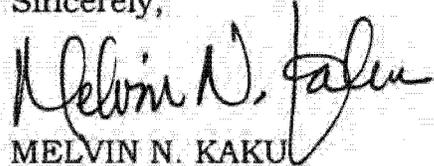
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Mr. James Nakano
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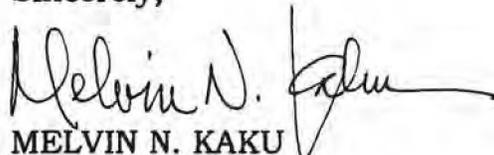
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The purpose of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is to provide improved mobility consistent with existing and planned development patterns. While the project may result in accelerated development along the corridor, it would not change development patterns already established in island-wide plans.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. James Pacopaco
1908 Skyline Drive
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

Dear Mr. Pacopaco:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. James Takemoto
55 S. Kukui Street, #2902
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Takemoto:

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Many users of Oahu's transportation system regularly experience substantial traffic delay and congestion.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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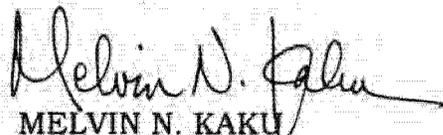
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The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile

Jan Ishihara
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trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed too minimize negative visual effects of the project.

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Janet Inamine
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Dear Ms. Inamine:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

Mahalo for submitting comments during the scoping process for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Your comments, along with over 500 others, were reviewed and considered during the development of the final purpose and need, alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis, and scope of environmental analysis for the project. The outcome of the scoping process is summarized in the scoping report which is available for review at the project website www.honolulustransit.org. All of the comments received during the scoping process are included in the appendices to the report, and also may be downloaded.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed too minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Many users of Oahu's transportation system regularly experience substantial traffic delay and congestion.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate the numbers of properties that would need to be acquired for each of the alternatives. The project team is attempting to minimize the number of displacements that would occur as a result of the project.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

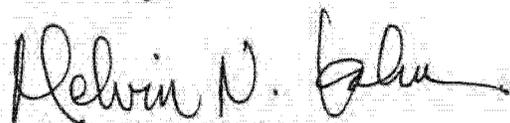
Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

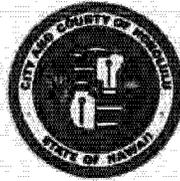
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Mr. Jay Bieiber
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Dear Mr. Bieiber:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis

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will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

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Dear Mr. McWilliams:

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of

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Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

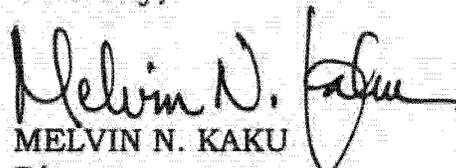
The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Information was posted to the website shortly after the scoping meetings.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all State and Federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

The managed lanes alternative accommodates toll-paying vehicles along with buses and HOVs.

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Mr. Jayson Chun
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Apartment D-1214
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Dear Mr. Chun:

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Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

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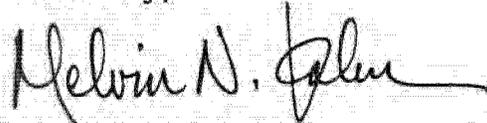
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Ms. Jeannette Goya Johnson
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Dear Ms. Goya Johnson:

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Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Jeff Merz
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2452 Tusitala Street, PH8
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Merz:

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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

To schedule a presentation to a group or organization, please contact Nalani Dahl at 531-4252, Ext. 39.

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Mr. Jeffrey Esmond
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Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Mr. Esmond:

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The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

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Mr. Jeffrey Babb
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Dear Mr. Babb:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Small-scale people movers have been eliminated for consideration because of their limited speed and capacity.

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A portion of the system may be operational by 2012; however, then system is not expected to be completed by that time. A more detailed schedule will be available by the time the draft Environmental Impact Statement is completed.

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Ms. Jennifer Shishido
2931 Robert Place
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Dear Ms. Shishido:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges. Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University

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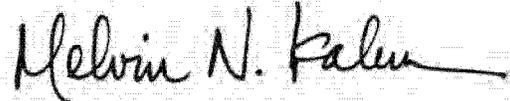
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of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

System operations are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis. The technology selected for implementation will be the one that best meets the requirements for the alternative selected at the lowest total system cost.

System operation for passenger comfort will be a project consideration.

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Mr. Jeremy Morrow
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Dear Mr. Morrow:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

The number of buses anticipated to be required is less than the available capacity of the managed lanes facility being evaluated, therefore, high-occupancy (HOV) or toll-paying (HOT) vehicles could be allowed to use the excess capacity available under Alternative 3 without degrading bus travel times.

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Mr. Jerry Greer
94-363 Kuanalio Way
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. Greer:

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Safety, environmental effects, and access will all be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

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Ms. Jessica Lomaoang
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Dear Ms. Lomaoang:

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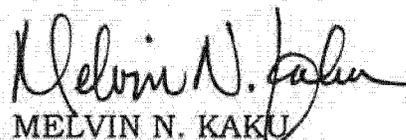
Analysis is still being conducted on the financial effects of the proposed system. The analysis will evaluate the 0.5% excise tax surcharge, jobs created by the project, and the benefits of an inexpensive and reliable travel alternative for many workers.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

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Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

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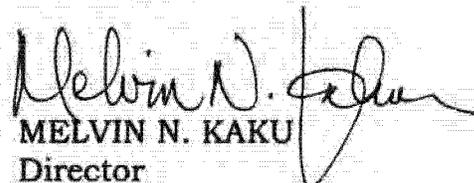
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Mr. Jim Hayes
3104 Oahu Avenue
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Dear Mr. Hayes:

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Mr. Jim Moylan
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Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Moylan:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Jim Slavish
146 Hekili Street, #102
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Mr. Slavish:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments**

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Jo Ann Abrazado
91-1042 Holi Street
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Ms. Abrazado:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The former OR & L rail alignment was considered and rejected because of the number of constraints existing along the alignment.

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Ms. Joan Bennett
1720 Ala Moana Boulevard, #905A
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Ms. Bennett:

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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project

Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

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Mr. Joe Davis, Sr.
1441 Pali Highway
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Davis:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Mr. Joey Viernes
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Viernes:

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Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis. Either rail or bus alternatives would be eligible for Federal Transit Administration funding.

Environmental hazards will be considered when evaluating the alternatives in the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. John Anderson
2873 S. King St, #301
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Anderson:

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Mr. John Anderson

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Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

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Mr. John Claucherty
92-7049 Elele St, #66
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

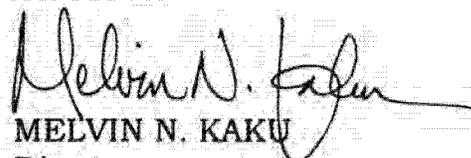
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Mr. John Rogers
91-1094 Aawa Drive
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Mr. John Rogers
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Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Energy needs and sources will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Alternative energy sources will be considered during project design if they can be implemented economically.

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Mr. John Scarry
1946 Ala Moana Boulevard, #216
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Scarry:

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Mr. John Scarry

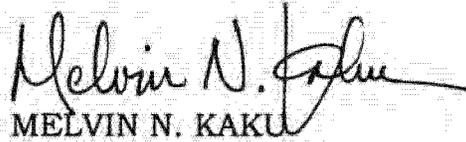
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Funding options are still being evaluated, but issuance of bonds is likely.

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Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

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The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all State and Federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Mr. John Thomas

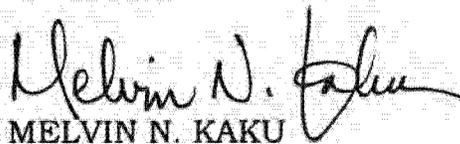
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The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Details on the localized effects of each alternative are still under development and will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,



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Mr. Jon Mar
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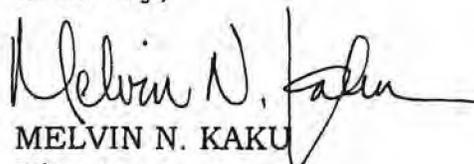
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Mr. Jon Yamaguchi
2604 Kuhio Avenue, #500
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Dear Mr. Yamaguchi:

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Mr. Jon Yamaguchi

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Mr. Jonathan St. Thomas
1120 Cleveland Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21230

Dear Mr. St. Thomas:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Joshua Hvidding
92-6050 Kalemakapii Street
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Mr. Hvidding:

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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

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Mr. Joshua Hvidding

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The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

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Airspace Workshop
3624 Waialae Avenue, #201
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

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Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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System operation for passenger comfort will be a project consideration.

Mr. Joshua Lake

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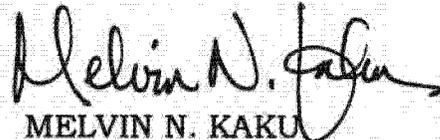
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Mr. Judah Raquinio
757 Kinalau Street, #904
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Raquinio:

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Mr. Judah Raquinio
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While the TSM alternative largely relies on operating buses in existing roadways, the other project alternatives attempt to offer the best transit service by providing buses on existing roads feeding into either a newly-constructed managed lane viaduct or a newly-constructed fixed guideway transit system.

Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

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Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. June Higaki
95-421 Kuahelani Avenue, #125
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Ms. Higaki:

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

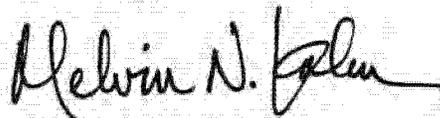
Ms. June Higaki

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Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Justin Tanoue
47-647 Alawiki Street
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Mr. Tanoue:

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Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Justito Alcon
91-1175 Kaiopua Street
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Alcon:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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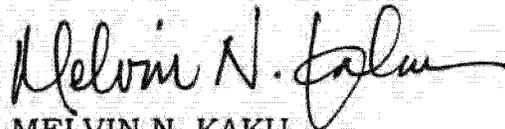
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Mr. Justito Alcon
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Karen Awana
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Awana:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Karen Sender
625 Iolani Avenue, #4023
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Sender:

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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

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Ms. Karen Sender

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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Ms. Katherine Kupuka`a
95-685 Makaunulau Street
Mililani Town, Hawaii 96789

Dear Ms. Kupuka`a:

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Kathy Lawton
310 Iliha Street
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Ms. Lawton:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Keith Patterson
1363 Akalani Place
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Mr. Patterson:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Kim Hunter
1750 Kalakaua Avenue
#103-3732
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Ms. Hunter:

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Ms. Kim Hunter
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Kiyomi Oyama
1624 Kanunu Street, #204
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Ms. Oyama:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis. Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

The No-Build Alternative is required in the Alternatives Analysis project to provide a baseline for comparison of the other alternatives. The City Council will select a preferred alternative after completion of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Klaus Wyrcki
555 University Avenue, #3100
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Wyrcki:

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

The Honorable Kymberly Pine
House of Representatives
State of Hawaii
State Capitol, Room 317
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Representative Pine:

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. L. Muraoka
1047 Kamookoa Place
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Mr. Muraoka:

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Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

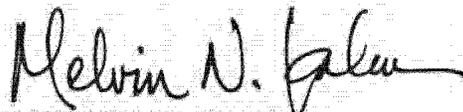
Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Mr. L. Muraoka
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Lane Sato
607 North King Street, #126A
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Mr. Sato:

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The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Larry Howard
94-1067 Awalua St.
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Howard:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all State and Federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Mr. Larry Howard
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Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

The No-build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Members of the City Council attended both scoping meetings.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Larry Lamberth
Mobility Coalition
98-795 Naalii Street
Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. Lamberth:

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Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum. Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Mr. Larry Lamberth

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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Larry Lee
1176 Lunahaneli Place
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Mr. Lee:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

Mahalo for submitting comments during the scoping process for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Your comments, along with over 500 others, were reviewed and considered during the development of the final purpose and need, alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis, and scope of environmental analysis for the project. The outcome of the scoping process is summarized in the scoping report which is available for review at the project website www.honolulutransit.org. All of the comments received during the scoping process are included in the appendices to the report, and also may be downloaded.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate the numbers of properties that would need to be acquired for each of the alternatives. The project team is attempting to minimize the number of displacements that would occur as a result of the project.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum

State law places project decision-making authority with the Honolulu City Council.

Disruptions and disturbances during construction will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for all alternatives under consideration at the time of the evaluation.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

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Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs. Substantial land redevelopment is outside the scope and authority of the study team.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Larry Vaughan
91-983G Laaulu Street
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Vaughan:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

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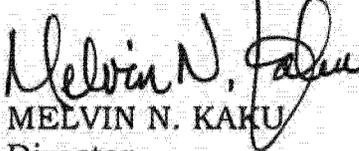
Mr. Larry Vaughan

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Lawrence Uchima
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

Dear Mr. Uchima:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis.

The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Mr. Lawrence Uchima
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. Lawson Teshima
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Mr. Teshima:

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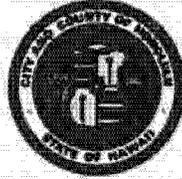
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Len Furukawa
6924 Niumalu Loop
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Mr. Furukawa:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

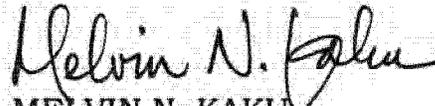
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Lee Prochaska
Pro Graphics Pacific
55-090 Naupaka Street
Laie, Hawaii 96762

Dear Lee:

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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

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June 20, 2006

Lee Stack
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96837

Dear Lee:

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Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Many users of Oahu's transportation system regularly experience substantial traffic delay and congestion.

Environmental hazards will be considered when evaluating the alternatives in the Alternatives Analysis.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan

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Ms. Lehua Rupisan
Alohaanything
836 Kulani Street
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Dear Ms. Rupisan:

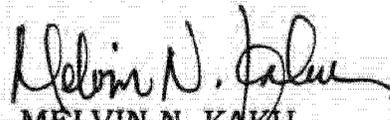
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Leonard Leo Kama
91-205 Leima'O Place
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Mr. Kama:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

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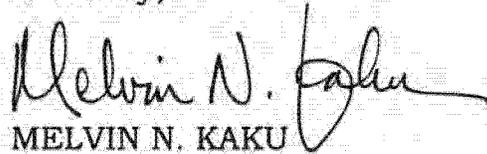
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The University of Hawaii West Oahu is being planned. Specific questions should be directed to the University of Hawaii.

Crossing of Pearl Harbor is not being considered as an alternative in the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

The Mayor's schedule did not allow him to attend both scoping meetings. The Mayor is expected to attend future events in Kapolei for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melvin N. Kaku". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

MELVIN N. KAKU

Director

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Lester Chong
94-1069 Pulelo Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Chong:

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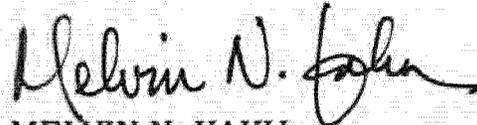
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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

Public understanding and involvement is important to the success of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Information and outreach will continue for the duration of the project, with a goal of reaching out to a broad spectrum of interested people.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Ms. Liane Briggs
46-369 Haiku Road, #D11
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Ms. Briggs:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis. Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Ms. Linda Douglas
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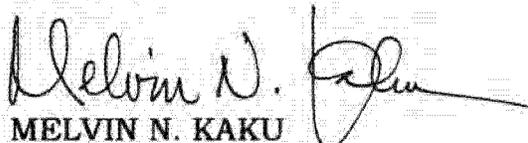
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Linda Starr, Transportation Chair
Kuliouou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood
Board No. 2
P.O. Box 240310
Honolulu, Hawaii 96824

Dear Ms. Starr:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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At this time, the project does not propose to substantially reconfigure traffic operations in Waikiki.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

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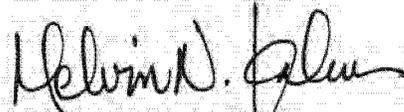
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Sincerely,



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Ms. Linda Young
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Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Ms. Young:

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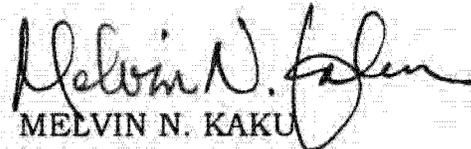
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Ms. Linda Young
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Sincerely,


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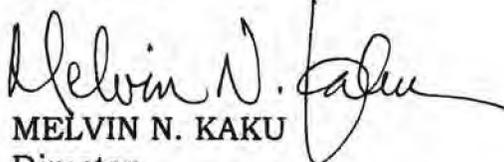
Mr. Lloyd Ignacio
1015 Aoloa Place, #334
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Mr. Ignacio:

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Lois Abrams
76 Lumahai Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Ms. Abrams:

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

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Ms. Lori Ott
IBM
179 Kahako Street
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Dear Ms. Ott:

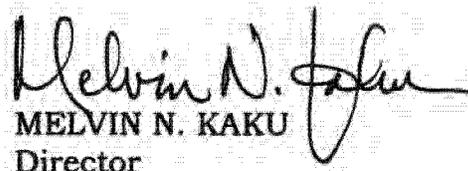
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Commander Loring Colburn
U.S. Pacific Fleet, Pearl Harbor
1650 Makaloa Street, #1615
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-3924

Dear Commander Colburn:

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Commander Loring Colburn

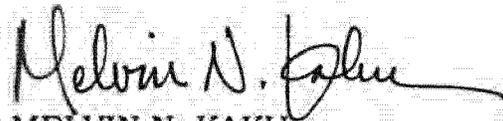
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Personal rapid transit has been eliminated for consideration because of their limited speed and capacity.

The managed lanes alternative accommodates toll-paying vehicles along with buses and HOVs.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Lynne Matusow
c/o Neighborhood Commission
City Hall, Room 400
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Matusow:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The project team will continue to coordinate with your Neighborhood Board over the course of the project.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. M. Hashimoto
98-424 Punohana Loop
Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. Hashimoto:

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Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. M. Utleg
94-817 Kuhaulua Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Utleg:

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Environmental hazards will be considered when evaluating the alternatives in the Alternatives Analysis.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. M. Wearstler
91-1476 Renton Road, #10
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Wearstler:

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Made Brunner
2651 Kuilei Street, #B125
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Brunner:

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Mae Yoshino
P.O. Box 12118
Honolulu, Hawaii 96828

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Many users of Oahu's transportation system regularly experience substantial traffic delay and congestion.

Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

Ms. Mae Yoshino
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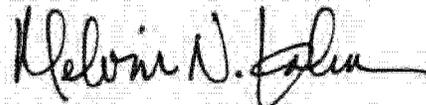
The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

System operation for passenger comfort will be a project consideration.

Sincerely,



MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Maeda Timpson, Chair
Makakilo/Kapolei Neighborhood Board #34
92-684 Nohona Street
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Chair Timpson:

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Mr. Malcolm Palmer
87-404 Kulahanai Street
Waianae, Hawaii 96792

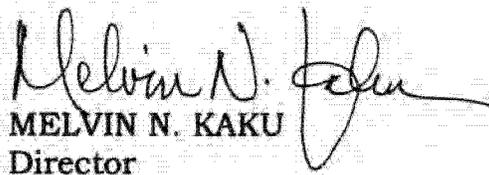
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Mr. Marc Myer
P.O. Box 329
Hauula, Hawaii 96717

Dear Mr. Myer:

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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

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Ms. Margaret Armstrong
3939 Nuuanu Pali Drive, #D
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

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Mr. Mariano Ermitanio
91-1062 Kumimi Street
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Mr. Ermitanio:

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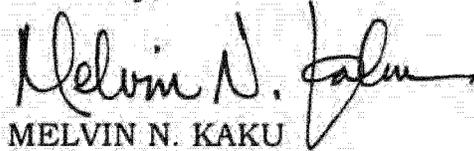
Mr. Mariano Ermitanio

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Marie Vaughan
91-983G Laaulu Street
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Ms. Vaughan:

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Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Marie Wagner
3704 Anuhea Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Dear Ms. Wagner:

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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

Ms. Marie Wagner

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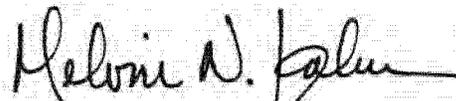
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System operation for passenger comfort will be a project consideration.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Marijane Carlos
Ala Wai Manor Board of Directors
620 McCully Street, #901
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Ms. Carlos:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments**

Mahalo for submitting comments during the scoping process for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Your comments, along with over 500 others, were reviewed and considered during the development of the final purpose and need, alternatives being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis, and scope of environmental analysis for the project. The outcome of the scoping process is summarized in the scoping report which is available for review at the project website www.honolulutransit.org. All of the comments received during the scoping process are included in the appendices to the report, and also may be downloaded.

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Ms. Marijane Carlos
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all State and Federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Ms. Marilyn Michaels
Ala Moana/Kakaako Neighborhood
Board No. 11
1650 Ala Moana Boulevard, #1407
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Ms. Michaels:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Buses would continue to provide a substantial portion of the transit service on Oahu.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project. Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Ms. Marilyn Michaels

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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving. Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

Since long-range plans identify a transit corridor to Kapolei, any future policy decision that would eliminate the corridor should re-assess long-range planning on Oahu.

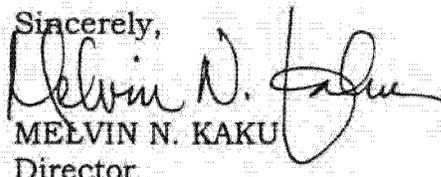
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Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis. Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

While the TSM alternative largely relies on operating buses in existing roadways, the other project alternatives attempt to offer the best transit service by providing buses on existing roads feeding into either a newly-constructed managed lane viaduct or a newly-constructed fixed guideway transit system.

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Ms. Marjorie Hawkins
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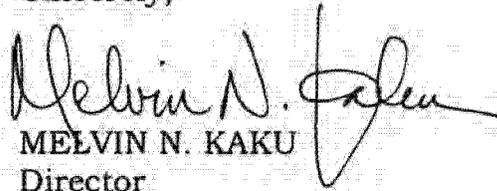
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The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Mark Anderson
94-619 Lumiaina Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Anderson:

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Mr. Mark Anderson

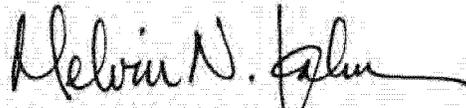
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Mr. Mark James
American Home Mortgage
2911 Pacific Heights Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. James:

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Mr. Jonathan Jarvis
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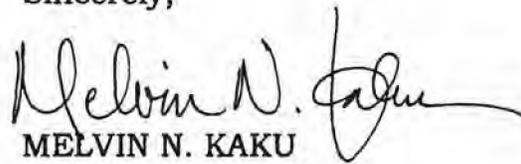
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Mr. Mark McMahon
965 Prospect Street, #204
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. McMahon:

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Mr. Mark McMahon

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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Mark Mesler
364 Seaside Avenue, #1701
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Dear Mr. Mesler:

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Mr. Mark Mesler

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Mark Taylor
3427 Ala Hinalo Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Dear Mr. Taylor:

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Ms. Marsha Schweitzer
Musicians Association of Hawaii
949 Kapiolani Boulevard
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Ms. Schweitzer:

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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

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Ms. Marsha Schweitzer

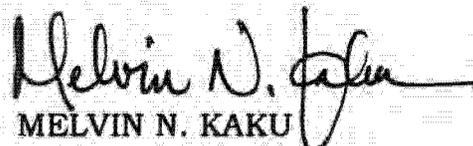
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Conceptual station designs are being evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Detailed designs will be completed at a later phase of the project.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

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Mr. Martin Abel
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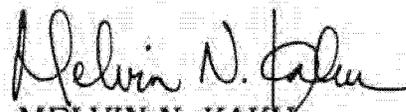
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Ms. Mary Baker
P.O. Box 644
Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795

Dear Ms. Baker:

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Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Many users of Oahu's transportation system regularly experience substantial traffic delay and congestion.

Environmental hazards will be considered when evaluating the alternatives in the Alternatives Analysis.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study. The

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project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments. Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

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Ms. Mary Oliver
HNL Travel Association
1245 Young Street, #203
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Ms. Oliver:

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Ms. Maureen Muraoka
1047 Kamookoa Place
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

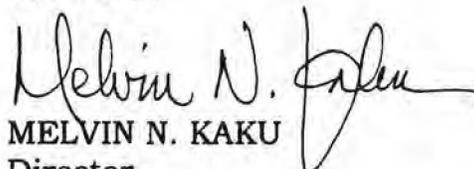
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Mr. Max Rogers
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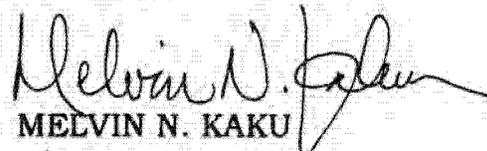
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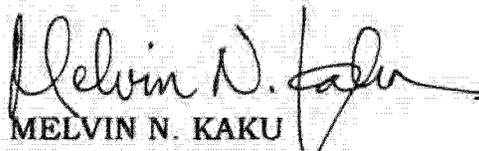
Dear Ms. Giles:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

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Secondary and cumulative effects of the project will be evaluated. The project will comply with environmental regulations.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mel
1560 Kanunu Street, #816
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Mel:

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Mel
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The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all State and Federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

State law places project decision-making authority with the Honolulu City Council.

Analysis is still being conducted on the financial effects of the proposed system. The analysis will evaluate the 0.5% excise tax surcharge, jobs created by the project, and the benefits of an inexpensive and reliable travel alternative for many workers.

Sincerely,


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Mr. David Imae
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Mr. Imae:

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Melvin Uesato
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Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Mr. Uesato:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Merle Crow
Pacific Souvenir Group
P O Box 2459
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804

Dear Merle:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Micah Kane
Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96805

Dear Mr. Kane:

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Mr. Micah Kane

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Michael Hofmann
Wormwood Research
2750 Pu'uhonua Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Hofmann:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Mr. Michael Hofmann
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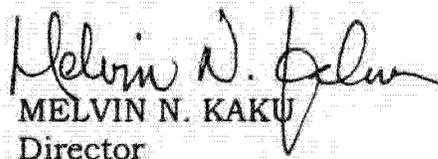
All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Details on the localized effects of each alternative are still under development and will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Michael P. Holden
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Waipahu, Hawaii 96797-1126

Dear Mr. Holden:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Michael Lilly
Ning, Lilly & Jones
707 Richards Street, Suite 700
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Lilly:

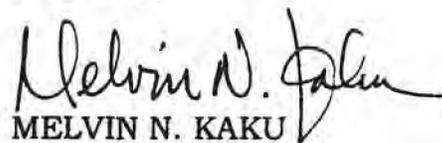
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Michael Woo
767 Kealahou Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Mr. Woo:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Mr. Michael Woo
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Crossing of Pearl Harbor is not being considered as an alternative in the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Mike Goluich
92-954 Makakilo Drive, #71
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Dear Mr. Goluich:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments**

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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

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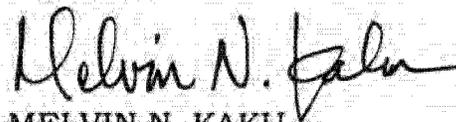
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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Mike Jones
Schuler Homes
828 Fort Street Mall, 4th Floor
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Dear Mr. Jones:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both

Mr. Mike Jones
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existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Buses would continue to provide a substantial portion of the transit service on Oahu.

System operations are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis. The technology selected for implementation will be the one that best meets the requirements for the alternative selected at the lowest total system cost.

Impacts to businesses, including displacements and access changes will be considered in the Alternatives Analysis and the draft Environmental Impact Statement.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

The project purpose and need includes supporting growth as outlined in regional plans.

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Mr. Mike Uechi
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Dear Mr. Uechi:

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Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Mr. Mike Uechi

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The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

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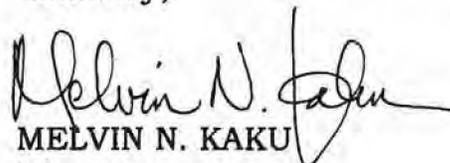
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Mitsuru Takahashi
99-244 Aiea Heights Drive
Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. Takahashi:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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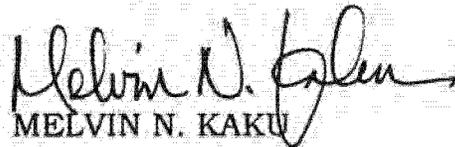
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The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Monico Tiongco
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Dear Monico:

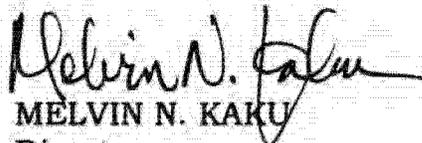
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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Buses would continue to provide a substantial portion of the transit service on Oahu.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. and Mrs. Stan and Roberta Jones
590 Farrington Highway, #210
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Jones:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan and Roberta Jones

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MELVIN N. KAKU

Director

Ms. Murai
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all the alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM Alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Since current long-range plans identify a transit corridor to Kapolei, any future policy decision that would eliminate the corridor should re-assess long-range planning for Oahu.

The location and design of transit stations are being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walk, bike, bus, taxi, ferry, and drive.

Analysis is still being conducted on the financial effects of the proposed transit system. Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process. The analysis will also evaluate the 0.5% excise tax surcharge, jobs created by the project, and benefits of an inexpensive and reliable travel alternative for many workers.

Energy needs and sources will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Alternative energy sources will be considered during project design if they can be implemented economically.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Nancy Nagamine
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Kailua, Hawaii 96734

Dear Ms. Nagamine:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Ms. Nancy Nagamine

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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

System operation for passenger comfort will be a project consideration.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Nathan Crow
620 Mccully Street, PH-2B
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Crow:

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Neil Niino
99-303 Uwau Drive
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Dear Mr. Niino:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Nikki Love
5324 Opihi Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96821

Dear Ms. Love:

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Ms. Nikki Love
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Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Nobu Nakamoto
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Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. Nakamoto:

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges. Personal rapid transit has been eliminated for consideration because of their limited speed and capacity.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

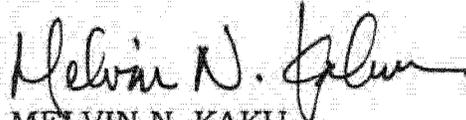
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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

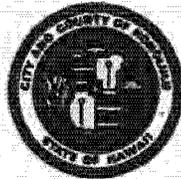
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Norman Chang
1024 Hoomaikai Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817-1220

Dear Mr. Chang:

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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Information was posted to the website shortly after the scoping meetings.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Norman Sakamoto
1248 Ala Mahamoe Street
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Dear Mr. Sakamoto:

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The No-Build Alternative is required in the Alternatives Analysis project to provide a baseline for comparison of the other alternatives. The City Council will select a preferred alternative after completion of the Alternatives Analysis.

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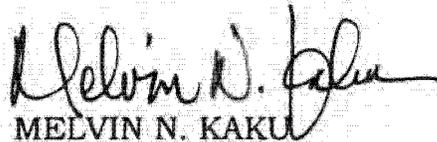
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. P. Bobilin
1909 Aleo Place
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Bobilin:

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Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process. System operation for passenger comfort will be a project consideration.

Mr. P. Bobilin
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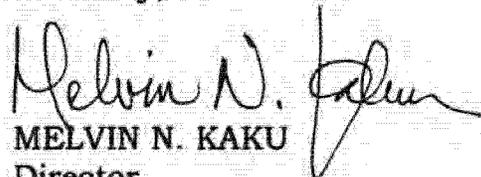
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The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate the numbers of properties that would need to be acquired for each of the alternatives. The project team is attempting to minimize the number of displacements that would occur as a result of the project.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Patricia Bruce
232 Kaiulani Avenue, #602A
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Dear Ms. Bruce:

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project

Ms. Patricia Bruce

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alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

Sincerely,



MELVIN N. KAKU
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Ms. Patti Bruce
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Mr. Paul Hoffman
Booz Allen Hamilton
8283 Greensboro Drive
McLean, Virginia 22124

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Paul Kimura
Kakaako Improvement Association
Hawaii Community Development Authority
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96807

Dear Mr. Kimura:

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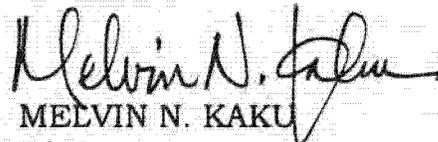
Details on the localized effects of each alternative are still under development and will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. Paul Mattes
P.O. Box 27473
Honolulu, Hawaii 96827

Dear Mr. Mattes:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs. Substantial land redevelopment is outside the scope and authority of the study team.

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Mr. Paul Smith
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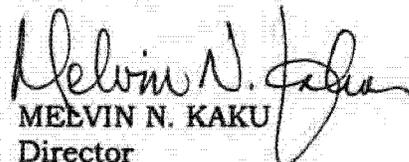
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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. Paul Zavada
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Dear Mr. Zavada:

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The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

Mr. Paul Zavada

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

The primary local funding source will be through a 0.5% excise tax increase, which also will be paid by all visitors on goods and services they purchase while on Oahu.

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Ms. Paulina Benja
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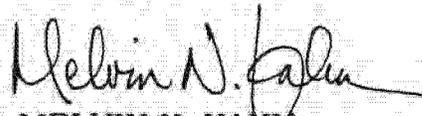
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Ms. Pauline Sato
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Ms. Sato:

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Secondary and cumulative effects of the project will be evaluated. The project will comply with environmental regulations.

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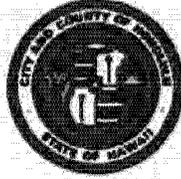
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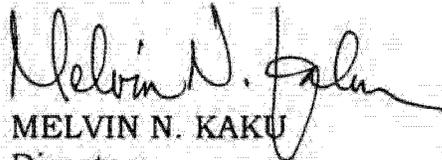
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Mr. Randy Ching
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Dear Mr. Ching:

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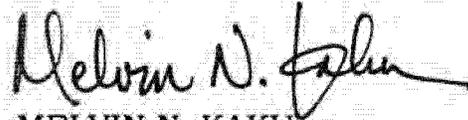
The number of buses anticipated to be required is less than the available capacity of the managed lanes facility being evaluated, therefore, high-occupancy (HOV) or toll-paying (HOT) vehicles could be allowed to use the excess capacity available under Alternative 3 without degrading bus travel times.

The managed lanes alternative accommodates toll-paying vehicles along with buses and HOVs.

Mr. Randy Ching
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The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

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The No-Build Alternative is required in the Alternatives Analysis project to provide a baseline for comparison of the other alternatives. The City Council will select a preferred alternative after completion of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Mr. Ray Leonard
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Mr. Reid Hayashi
1233 Young Street, #102
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Dear Mr. Hayashi:

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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. Rian DuBach
98-430 Kilinoe Street, #5-505
Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Mr. DuBach:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

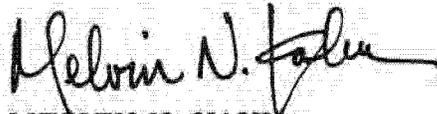
Mr. Rian DuBach

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The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

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Mr. Richard Kane
The Pacific Resource Partnership
ASB Tower Suite 1501
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Dear Mr. Kane:

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Mr. Richard Mori
94-742 Kaaka Street
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Mr. Richard Mori

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Mr. Richard Personius
Silicon Methods, LLC
730 Ekela Avenue, #1
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Dear Mr. Personius:

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Mr. Richard Port
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Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

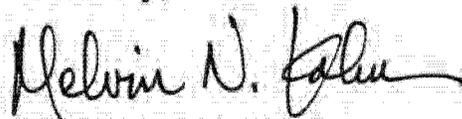
The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Mr. Richard Port
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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Sincerely,



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Mr. Richard Quinn
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Dear Mr. Quinn:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments**

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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

Mr. Richard Quinn

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Richard Sullivan
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96837

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Mr. Richard Sullivan
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Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

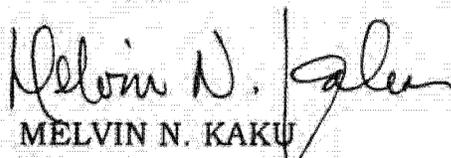
The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

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The number of buses anticipated to be required is less than the available capacity of the managed lanes facility being evaluated, therefore, high-occupancy (HOV) or toll-paying (HOT) vehicles could be allowed to use the excess capacity available under Alternative 3 without degrading bus travel times.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Richard Tudor
98-2036 Kikala Street
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Dear Mr. Tudor:

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Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii State Legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Mr. Richard Tudor

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The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Richard Wallis
Air Canada
Honolulu International Airport
1025 Kalo Place, #501
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Dear Mr. Wallis:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

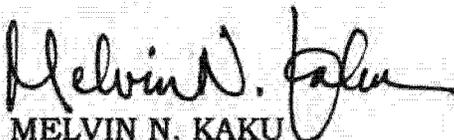
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Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Mr. Richard Weimer
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Dear Mr. Weimer:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

At this time, the project does not propose to substantially reconfigure traffic operations in Waikiki.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Rick Hayashi
3241 South Sepulveda, #101
Los Angeles, California 90034

Dear Mr. Hayashi:

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Rick Kazman
University of Hawaii at Manoa
2404 Maile Way
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Dear Mr. Kazman:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

The Honorable Rida Cabanilla
The Senate
State of Hawaii
State Capitol, Room 303
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Representative Cabanilla:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

The Honorable Rida Cabanilla

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Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Robert Bates
225 Queen Street, #27G
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Dear Mr. Bates:

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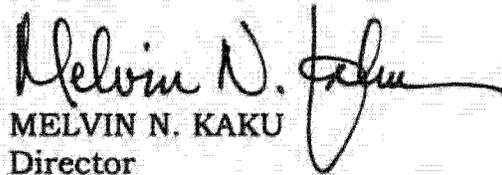
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Analysis is still being conducted on the financial effects of the proposed system. The analysis will evaluate the 0.5% excise tax surcharge, jobs created by the project, and the benefits of an inexpensive and reliable travel alternative for many workers.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Robert Clarkin
5949 D. Kalanianaʻole Highway
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Dear Mr. Clarkin:

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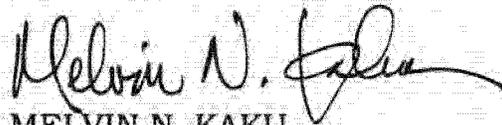
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Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Robert Conlan
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Dear Mr. Conlan:

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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

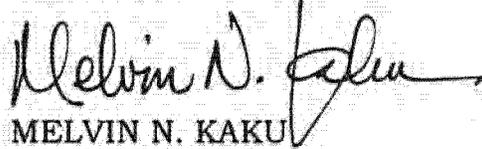
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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

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Mr. Robert Gould
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Dear Mr. Gould:

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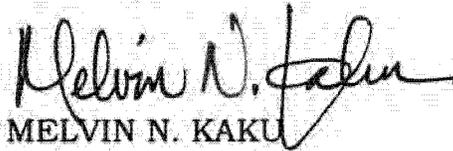
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Robert Green
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Robert Hartsfield
94-705 Paaono Street, #L8
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Hartsfield:

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Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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Dear Mr. Hughes:

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Many specifics about system operations are still in development, including the type of transit system to be provided, the fare structure, vehicle headways, and the hours of operation. These will begin to be developed in the Alternatives Analysis.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

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Dear Mr. Linczer:

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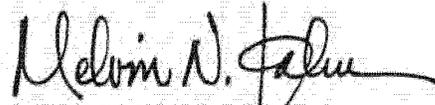
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Mr. Robert Nickel
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Mr. Robert Rau
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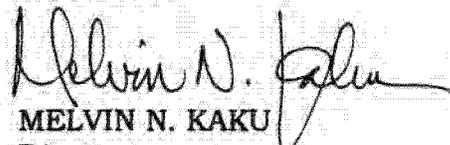
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92-1007 Oka'A Street, #B108
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

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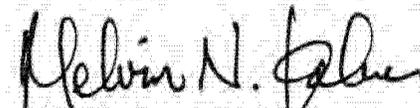
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Robert Yumol
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Dear Mr. Yumol:

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Robin Brandt
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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

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Mr. Rodney Yoshizawa
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Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

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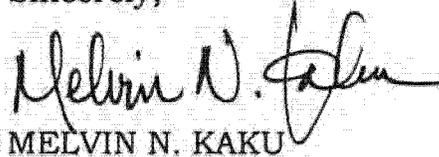
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Mr. Roy Morita
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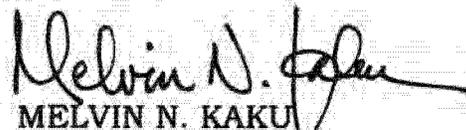
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The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate economic effects of the proposed transit alternatives.

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Waianae, Hawaii 96792

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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

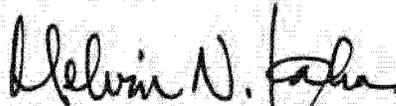
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Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Sincerely,



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June 20, 2006

Mr. Russ Saito
Department Of Accounting and
General Services
State of Hawaii
P.O. Box 119
Honolulu, Hawaii 96810

Dear Mr. Saito:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The project team will continue to coordinate with your department over the course of the project.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Russell Lake
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Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Dear Mr. Lake:

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process. The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Each alternative would have potential for future expansion by adding more buses or trains. The Fixed Guideway Alternative also could have future expansions to its service area.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Ruth Nakasone
2216 Apoepoe St.
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782

Dear Ms. Nakasone:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges. Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

Ms. Ruth Nakasone
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The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

Safety, environmental effects, and access will all be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis.

Many people would benefit from an economical, quick, and reliable means of transportation. The proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project alternatives would provide residents of Oahu with additional transportation choices.

The TSM Alternative largely relies on restructuring the bus system to hub and spoke operations. The other build alternatives also use this approach to enhance service.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. S. Cain
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Dear Mr. Cain:

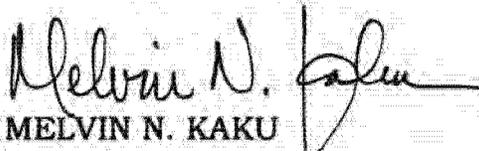
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various Alternatives.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Sally Jo Manea
Get Fit Kauai
3040 Umi Street
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

Dear Ms. Manea:

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The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,


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Mr. Sam Fisk
91-855 Po'Owai Place
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Dear Mr. Fisk:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Separate hearings were held prior to the City Council's enactment of the tax. The City Council plans to hold hearings and select a locally preferred alternative prior to the tax going into effect.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs in coordination with the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for integrated transportation planning. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge. Projects with the purpose of providing roadway mobility for automobiles and commercial vehicles are outside of the authorization of Act 247; therefore, they will not be considered for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs. Substantial land redevelopment is outside the scope and authority of the study team.

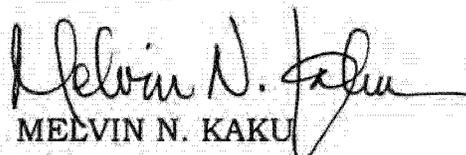
Conceptual station designs are being evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis. Detailed designs will be completed at a later phase of the project.

Each alternative would have potential for future expansion by adding more buses or trains. The Fixed Guideway Alternative also could have future expansions to its service area.

Mr. Sam Fisk
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The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

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Ms. Sandy Money maker
700 Richards Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Money maker:

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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed to minimize negative visual effects of the project.

Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

Ms. Sandy MoneyMaker

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Scott Siegfried
94-1080 Pulelo Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

Dear Mr. Siegfried:

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Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

The Alternatives Analysis will consider various alignment sections in a mix-and-match configuration.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis.

Mr. Scott Siegfried
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The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible.

Sincerely,



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Mr. Scott Snider
94-1030 Anania Circle, #72
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. Snider:

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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. Seichi Nagai
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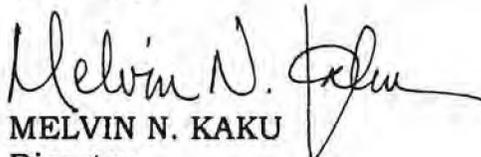
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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Shaun Ageno
617 Hahaione Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Mr. Ageno:

**Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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The project team is working on an aggressive schedule to meet all state and federal requirements for project development as quickly and cost-effectively as possible. The No-build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis. Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

Sincerely,


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Shawn Carbrey
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Dear Shawn:

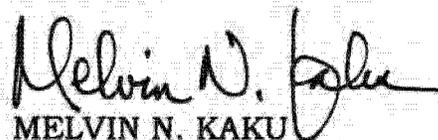
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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis. Information was posted to the website shortly after the scoping meetings.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Sherman Kwock
3532 Loulu Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Kwock:

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The Alternatives Analysis will evaluate the numbers of properties that would need to be acquired for each of the alternatives. The project team is attempting to minimize the number of displacements that would occur as a result of the project.

The project would generally be within existing right of way.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Solray Duncan
1174 Waimano Home Road
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Dear Mr. Duncan:

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Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Sincerely,

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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Stan Dalber
1535 Lehia St.
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Dear Mr. Dalber:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various Alternatives.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Mr. Stan Dalber
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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Efficient transfers between fixed-guideway and bus are an important consideration in the design of a fixed-guideway system. Options to facilitate the transfers are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis.

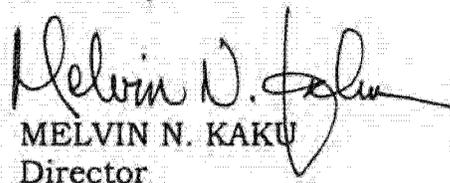
Safety and security are major concerns for system development and operation.

Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

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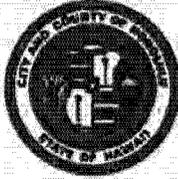
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Stanley Hamada
1541 Davenport Place, #101
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Mr. Hamada:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

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Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

Transit system design will consider accessibility and safety needs of users with mobility challenges.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Stanton Enomoto
Hawaii Community Development Authority
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Dear Mr. Enomoto:

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Mr. Stephen Yuen
2506 Klebahn Place
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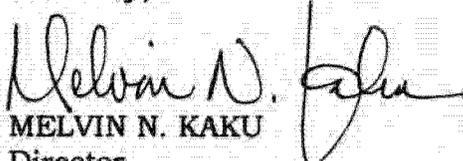
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Kailua, Hawaii 96734

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Ridership forecasts are currently being developed to support the Alternatives Analysis.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

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Ms. Sue Powell
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Dear Ms. Powell:

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Ms. Summer Thomson
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Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

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Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

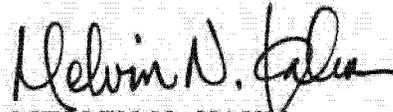
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Susan Estores
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Dear Ms. Estores:

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Opportunities to obtain right-of-way for potential future extensions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system. Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

Ms. Susan Estores

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The managed lanes alternative accommodates toll-paying vehicles along with buses and HOVs.

Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the Alternatives Analysis process.

Environmental and social impacts and benefits of each proposed alternative will be addressed in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. They will be considered in the comparison of overall costs and benefits of the project alternatives.

Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Ms. Susan Kelley
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Dear Ms. Kelley:

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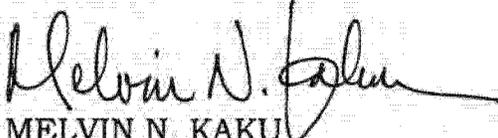
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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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Kailua, Hawaii 96734

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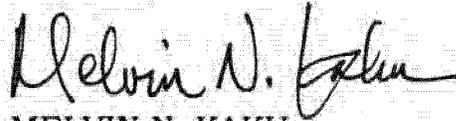
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Ted Miller
201 Ohua Avenue, #T1-2810
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

Each station location suggested during the scoping process will be reviewed. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

Mr. Ted Miller
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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Teddy Kamai
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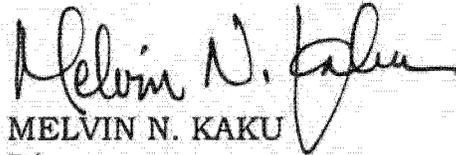
Sub-surface issues are a major concern when considering a tunnel alignment. While they make tunneling more difficult and expensive, tunneling technologies available today make tunnel options feasible, at least for short distances.

The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

Mr. Teddy Kamai
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Terry Slattery
91-1025 Napoo Street
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Dear Mr. Slattery:

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The No-Build Alternative is required in the Alternatives Analysis project to provide a baseline for comparison of the other alternatives. The City Council will select a preferred alternative after completion of the Alternatives Analysis.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various Alternatives.

Sincerely,


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June 20, 2006

Ms. Tesha Malama
91-818 Lawalu Place
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

Dear Ms. Malama:

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Visual and aesthetic issues will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis and draft Environmental Impact Statement. Measures will be proposed too minimize negative visual effects of the project.

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Ms. Tesha Malama

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Details on the localized effects of each alternative are still under development and will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis.

Secondary and cumulative effects of the project will be evaluated. The project will comply with environmental regulations.

The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project is evaluating one aspect of island-wide transportation needs. Substantial land redevelopment is outside the scope and authority of the study team.

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Theresa Rudacille
134 Kline Road
Wahiawa, Hawaii 96786

Dear Ms. Rudacille:

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409 Puamamane Street
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Opportunities to obtain right-of-way for potential future extensions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Mr. Thomas Hoover

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Mr. Thomas Soteris-McNamara
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Los Angeles, California 90049

Dear Mr. Soteris-McNamara:

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Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Mr. Tom Dinell
c/o E Noa Corporation
Peir 31 791 N. Nimitz Highway
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Dear Mr. Dinell:

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Comments on how information was presented, comments were collected, and how the scoping process was conducted were reviewed and will be considered during future phases of the public involvement process.

Public understanding and involvement is important to the success of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Information and outreach will continue for the duration of the project, with a goal of reaching out to a broad spectrum of interested people.

The project team has begun an extensive public information process to provide project details prior to selection of a locally preferred alternative (LPA). Public feedback will be solicited prior to selection of the LPA.

The No-Build, Transportation System Management, Managed Lanes and Fixed Guideway alternatives will be evaluated in detail in the Alternatives Analysis.

Mr. Tom Dinell
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Once the Alternatives Analysis is complete, sufficient information will be available to select the optimal alternative for the corridor.

The location and design of transit stations is being evaluated regarding how they facilitate various modes of travel to and from the stations, such as walking, biking, bus, taxi, ferry, and driving.

Public understanding and involvement is important to the success of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. Information and outreach will continue for the duration of the project, with a goal of reaching out to a broad spectrum of interested people.

All comments received from both individuals and private entities during the scoping process are being reviewed and responded to. Specific opportunities to identify private participation in the projects will occur after selection of the Locally Preferred Alternative, as the nature of the opportunities would be very dependent on the alternative selected.

Sincerely,


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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Toni Baran
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44-160 Kou Place, #2
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Dear Ms. Baran:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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Improvements to the bus system are being evaluated as part of all alternatives. Improvements included in the TSM alternative are almost exclusively related to bus service.

Environmental hazards will be considered when evaluating the alternatives in the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2006

Mr. Troy Seffrood
1750 Kalakaua Avenue, #1204
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Mr. Seffrood:

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Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

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Mr. Valentin Bueno
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Dear Mr. Bueno:

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The team preparing the Alternative Analysis for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project had worked on projects around the world. Lessons learned from those projects will be incorporated into the Honolulu study.

Sincerely,


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Mr. Vernon Wong
94-1122 Mikilana Place
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The City and County of Honolulu plan to implement a ferry system independent of the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Vicki Christine Absher
1640 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Dear Ms. Absher:

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Park and ride facilities and feeder bus service will be evaluated as part of the Alternatives Analysis.

The study corridor was developed after evaluating long-range population and employment projections for Oahu and considering available funding. By 2030, 69 percent of the population and approximately 80 percent of the employment on the Island of Oahu is projected to be located within the study-area corridor. The study corridor was selected to provide the greatest transportation benefit for the funds that are anticipated to be available; however, improvements will not be limited to the corridor. Island-wide improvements to the bus system will be proposed to better utilize the features of each alternative, whether TSM, managed lanes, or a fixed-guideway transit system. Future expansion of the system would be possible if other funding sources are identified.

Ms. Vicki Christine Absher
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Sincerely,



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MELVIN N. KAKU
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June 20, 2006

Ms. Victoria Hart
University of Hawaii
2450 Date Street, #11
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Dear Ms. Hart:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
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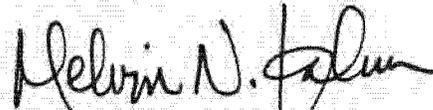
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Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Walker Kelley
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Dear Mr. Kelley:

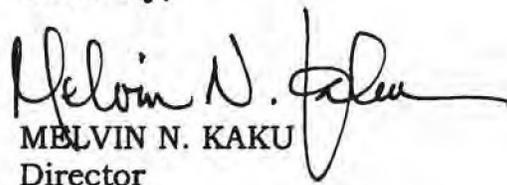
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Alternatives related to social policies or regulation of driving are outside the purpose of providing a high-capacity transit system.

Transit travel time and reliability will be major factors in evaluating the performance of the various alternatives.

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Mr. Walter Mahr
95-1020 Paemoku Place
Mililani Mauka, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. Mahr:

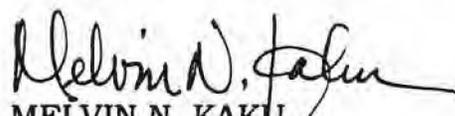
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The primary local funding source will be through a 0.5% excise tax increase, which also will be paid by all visitors on goods and services they purchase while on Oahu. Project costs and operating revenues will be estimated as part of the financial analysis completed during the alternatives analysis process.

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June 20, 2006

Ms. Wendy Chan
531 Kahiau Loop
Honolulu, Hawaii 96821

Dear Ms. Chan:

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Carpools, along with transit, provide an important travel option. The Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project analysis is meant to evaluate project alternatives that may be constructed within the authorization of Act 247, enacted by the Hawaii state legislature in 2005. The act prohibits the construction of a non-transit project with the authorized excise-tax surcharge.

The project team will be evaluating opportunities to promote compatible development around stations, including services and mixed-use developments. Bicycle and pedestrian connections to the system are being evaluated during preparation of the Alternatives Analysis.

Sincerely,

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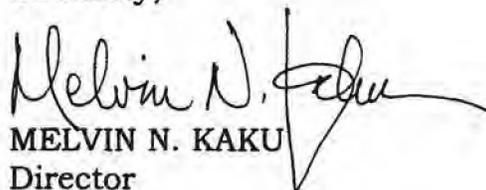
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Mr. Wilfred Morales
USPS
84-265 Farrington Hwy, #307
Makaha, Hawaii 96792

Dear Mr. Morales:

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All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

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Mr. Wilfred Souza
94-414 Kauopua Street
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Dear Mr. Souza:

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June 20, 2006

The Honorable Will Espero
The Senate
State of Hawaii
415 South Beretania Street, Room 228
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Espero:

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System operations are being evaluated during the Alternatives Analysis. The technology selected for implementation will be the one that best meets the requirements for the alternative selected at the lowest total system cost.

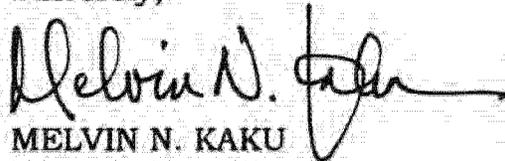
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The Honorable Will Espero
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Mr. Will Rich
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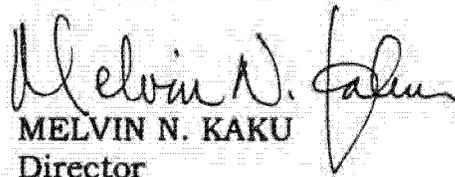
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Personal rapid transit has been eliminated from consideration because of their limited speed and capacity.

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Mr. William Kalawao
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Mr. William Kalawao
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Dear Mr. Kibby:

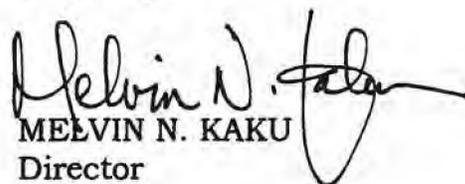
Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Scoping
Comments

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Comments on current bus operations have been forwarded to TheBus.

All proposed alignments were reviewed. They were either included as an alignment option in the Fixed Guideway Alternative or rejected because they demonstrated less ridership potential, higher cost, or more difficult environmental and social issues than the selected alternatives.

Sincerely,


MELVIN N. KAKU
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Mr. William Paik
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Dear Mr. Paik:

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Alternatives that would not primarily serve transit are not being included in the Alternatives Analysis.

Bus feeder service is being evaluated to determine where it would most quickly and efficiently bring riders to transit stations.

Station accessibility and spacing were considered when evaluating station locations. The station locations being evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis will be presented in the Alternatives Analysis Definition of Alternatives Memorandum.

The study corridor was defined to include the densest portions of Oahu. Consistency with local long-range plans, which include consideration of both existing land-use and future planned development, is integral with the need for the project.

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A transit system is only a portion of the entire transportation system. While the transit system will reduce the number of drivers on congested roadways within the corridor, the corridor is expected to continue experiencing growth in travel demand. The transportation corridor between Kapolei and the University of Hawaii at Manoa will continue to experience substantial traffic congestion; however, congestion in the corridor is expected to decrease somewhat after the system opens, and grow at a reduced rate after that time because of automobile trips diverted to transit. Travel demand projections will be developed for the Alternatives Analysis.

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Elevated systems have both benefits and impacts that will be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. Vehicle and system technologies will not be selected prior to the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments about issues related to vehicle and system technologies will be considered when specifications are developed.

While the TSM alternative largely relies on operating buses in existing roadways, the other project alternatives attempt to offer the best transit service by providing buses on existing roads feeding into either a newly-constructed managed lane viaduct or a newly-constructed fixed guideway transit system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvin N. Kaku".

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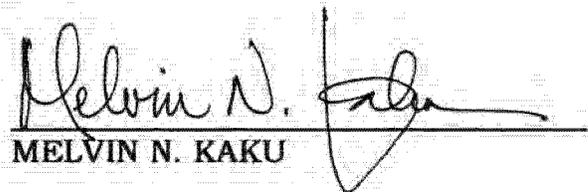
**TO: WAYNE HASHIRO, MANAGING DIRECTOR
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FROM: MELVIN N. KAKU, DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT: HONOLULU HIGH-CAPACITY TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT
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The project team will continue to coordinate with your office over the course of the project.


MELVIN N. KAKU