

Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Department of Education, Waipahu High School

Date: February 19, 2009

Purpose: Review rail alignment ~~within~~ in the vicinity ~~of~~ Waipahu High School, specifically the proposed new alignment fronting and passing through property of the high school.

Attendees:

Representing DOE: Heidi Meeker

Representing Waipahu High School: Patricia Pederson, Principal, and Warren Harada, Business Manager

RTD: Harvey Berliner and Laura Ray

Project Team: Martin Hall, Lawrence Spurgeon, and Jim Dunn

Attachments: Drawings and aerial photographs presented at meeting

Minutes:

- After introductions the purpose of the meeting was briefly discussed.
- Jim Dunn reviewed the status of the project:
 - The project has released its first line segment design-build (DB) construction package for solicitation. This contract package includes the aerial guideway ~~and~~ fronting and entering the Waipahu High School property along Farrington Highway.
 - HHCTCP plans to award this DB construction contract in October, 2009, with notice to proceed (NTP) with construction in November.
 - HHCTCP will be releasing two additional solicitations this year: A DB construction contract for the Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF), located at the former Navy Drum Site; and for the Core Systems works, that includes the revenue light metro vehicles. Both contracts will be given NTP early 2010.
- Martin Hall reviewed the proposed alignment and differences between the new alignment and the alignment provided in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). [See attachments to minutes for p](#)Presentation materials [are attached](#).
 - The most significant difference between the two alignments:
 - The third track fronting the campus used to enter into the MSF has been eliminated. The double track mainline has been moved to ~~in~~ the general location of the eliminated third track.

- The traction power substation (TPSS) has been relocated from directly in front of the school (near the intersection of Waipi'o Point Access Road and Farrington Highway) to a location near on the school campus near the old sugar cane haul road and Farrington Highway. Access to the TPSS for transit staff would be off Farrington Highway through a new gate along the perimeter fence to the inter-campus roadway. The perimeter fence would be re-built following construction of the new aerial guideway.
 - A new access road will be provided connecting the existing inter-campus roadway to the sugar cane haul road, providing a new roadway connection to the football field parking lot.
 - The two portable buildings impacted by the guideway would be moved to a location designated by the DOE.
- Comments from DOE and Waipahu HS staff:
 - While not opposed to the new service entrance to the TPSS, there are concerns for security in providing an alternate access point onto the campus. Design for this entrance should include measures to address these security concerns, including the use of heavy duty gates and locks.
 - Portable building relocation takes considerable time and planning. DOE required that the units be relocated during summer break, and storage containers be provided to store furniture and other equipment from the classroom during the dismantling and relocation of the units. BDB contractor should be required to provide utilities at the new site for the relocated portables.
 - Construction noise and dust is a concern and needs to be addressed by the DB contractor. Consideration should be given to temporary air conditioner units being installed in those class-rooms adjacent to the construction work. This option has worked in the past in mitigating campus construction.
 - Graffiti on the new retaining wall adjacent to the football field is a concern. RTD will be responsible for wall maintenance and should have maintenance procedures to quickly remove any graffiti.
 - Principal Pederson asked that RTD support a campus outreach program relative to the project; including project briefing and participating in student science and construction projects planned by the HS facility.

Next Steps:

1. PB will conduct additional monitoring of ambient noise levels on the campus to better understand impacts due to construction and potential mitigation measures.
2. PB will contact Duane Kashiwai for direction/assistance in the relocation of the portables. PB will conduct a "walk-through" of the proposed site to determine utility and other improvements needed at the proposed portable site.
3. ROE for drilling is proceeding and should be granted shortly.

Jim Dunn

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