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On the Honolulu NS Team call this afternoon, we discussed when (assuming all goes well--financial report; rating, etc.) the Honolulu High Capacity Transit Corridor Project might be ready to enter into Preliminary Engineering.

We decided that mid-October 2009 is a reasonable estimate. We will try to move the project more quickly if all falls into place.  
But we agreed that that mid-October allows FTA adequate time to complete its analysis, includes 10 days notice to Capitol Hill, and builds in a little breathing space if any problems arise.

Here's a rough tentative action schedule for entry into PE that assumes all goes well. It would allow PE approval on October 1 or 2, and we are shooting to meet those dates, but we have built in a cushion to allow time for due diligence if any significant, but solvable, issues arise during the PE entry review of this mega project. If I have misinterpreted any of the actions or timeframes, please let me know.

#### MAJOR ACTIONS / TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR PE APPROVAL: HONOLULU

Mode/Alignment/LPA/Long Range Plan--done

Ridership Forecasts--done

Baseline--done

PMOC Report--done

Submission of forecasts for Before and After Study; Updated cost estimates; SCC; Templates: Expected week of August 24

FMOC Report (Ben Porter)

Draft submitted to FTA: September 1 (interaction between FMOC and sponsor will have taken place beforehand)

Internal FTA review and comments back to Ben Porter: September 8

Final Report submitted to FTA: September 11

Status of Project: Bi-weekly New Starts Update Meeting for TOA-1 and -2: September 2

Internal PE Application Package:

Preparation already underway--Jim Ryan (approval memo; attachments)

TPE/TPM/TRO-9 revisions to package: August 31--September 11

TRO RA sign-off of memo: September 14

Final Version submitted to TPE-1 and TPM-1 for sign-off: September 14

TPE-1 and TPM-1 sign-off: September 15

Briefing for TOA-1 and -2 (that project has been found ready for PE and receive OK to send notice to Capitol Hill): September 16

10-day notice to Capitol Hill: September 21

PE approval letter from TRO RA to Sponsor: October 1 or 2

Allow time for unforeseen delays; PE approval letter: