
From: Ossi, Joseph (FTA)
To: Matley, Ted (FTA); Sukys, Raymond (FTA)
CC: Bausch, Carl (FTA); Carranza, Edward (FTA); Barr, James (FTA)
Sent: 8/27/2009 8:48:53 AM
Subject: RE: Honolulu Status

Jim B. just told me that the project has not yet been approved into PE. You are aware, I hope, that FTA does not sign an FEIS for a New Starts project until it has been approved into PE. This is because we want that minimal assurance that the project will be an FTA-funded project and therefore a Federal action subject to NEPA before we put out the FEIS.

There has been some discussion of changing this policy, but as far as I know, it is still in place.

Joe Ossi
FTA Office of Planning and Environment
(202) 366-1613