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PRESIDENT SIGNS BILL THAT PROVIDES \$250 MILLION FOR HONOLULU RAIL



President Barack Obama today signed the appropriations bill that funds the federal government through the end of September and provides \$250 million dollars in federal funding for the Honolulu rail transit project.

That's the full amount the president requested in his budget for our project earlier this year. Both the U.S. House and Senate approved the funding measure earlier this week.

"This is excellent news," said HART Executive Director and CEO Dan Grabauskas. "We continue to receive record levels of funding thanks in large part to the unwavering support and hard work of our congressional delegation."

The \$250 million is the 2014 fiscal year's share of the Full Funding Grant Agreement that guarantees a total of \$1.55 billion in federal funds for the rail transit project over the next few years. HART and the City signed the agreement with the Federal Transit Administration in December 2012.

The \$250 million will be added to the \$560 million Honolulu's rail transit project has already received from the federal government.

COMMUNITY INVITED TO RAIL STATION DESIGN MEETINGS



HART has scheduled two rail station design meetings later this month in Kapolei and Pearl City.

The first station design meeting for the West Oahu Station Group will be held on Tuesday, January 28, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kapolei Middle School cafeteria. It will focus on the East Kapolei and UH-West Oahu stations.

The second meeting for the Kamehameha Highway Station Group will be held the following night, Wednesday, January 29, at 6:30 p.m. at the Highlands Intermediate School cafeteria. It will feature the latest designs for the Pearl Highlands, Pearlridge and Aloha Stadium stations.

Each meeting will have an open house and registration starting at 6 p.m. The formal program will get underway at 6:30 p.m. and conclude at 8:30 p.m. Project staff, informational displays and a fly-through video of the 20-mile route will also be featured at each event.

See you there.

TRAFFIC ALERT



Farrington Highway in Ewa between Kualakai Parkway (North-South Road) and Old Fort Weaver Road is closed in both directions until April.

Also in Ewa, the Farrington Highway westbound left-turn lane onto the Fort Weaver Road on-ramp will be closed from Saturday, January 18 at 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, January 19, and between 7 p.m. and 3 p.m. the following day every day from Sunday, January 19 to Friday, January 24.

In Waipahu, the westbound lanes of Farrington Highway between Leokane Street and Pupukahi Street will be closed from Sunday, January 19 to Thursday, January 23 between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. One lane in each direction of Farrington Highway will remain open during the work.

One eastbound lane of Farrington Highway fronting Waipahu High School will be closed from Monday, January 20 to Wednesday, January 22 between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. and again from Wednesday, January 22 to Friday, January 24 between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Both eastbound lanes will be closed from 7:30 p.m. Thursday, January 23 to 5:30 a.m. Friday, January 24. Motorists will be redirected to use a temporary lane.

In Pearl City, the inside eastbound lane of Kamehameha Highway between Hekaha and Kanuku streets near Best Buy and the eastbound left-turn lane at the intersection of Kamehameha Highway and Kanuku Street will be closed until mid-March.

One westbound lane of Kamehameha Highway in that same vicinity will also be closed from Monday, January 20 to Friday, January 24 between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., and two westbound lanes will be closed on the same days between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.

Also in Pearl City, two westbound lanes of Kamehameha Highway near the HECO-Waiiau power plant will be closed from Monday, January 20 to Friday, January 24 between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.

The Moanalua Freeway on-ramp to the H-1 along Kamehameha Highway near Aloha Stadium will be closed from Tuesday, January 21 to Friday, January 24 between 10 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. In addition, the inside lane of the on-ramp will be closed from Monday, January 20 to Friday, January 24 between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. and between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.

The eastbound right lane of the Nimitz Highway off-ramp to Kamehameha Highway between Lagoon Drive and Kalihi Stream will be closed from Tuesday, January 21 to Friday, January 24 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

In Kalihi, lane closures will take place at the following locations from Tuesday, January 21 to Friday, January 24 between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

- Kamehameha Highway between Middle Street and Puuhale Road
- Dillingham Boulevard between Mokauea Street and McNeil Street
- Dillingham Boulevard between Waiakamilo Road and Kaaahi Street
- Kaaahi Street between Dillingham Boulevard and Kaaahi Place

In downtown Honolulu, the left lanes of Nimitz Highway both eastbound and

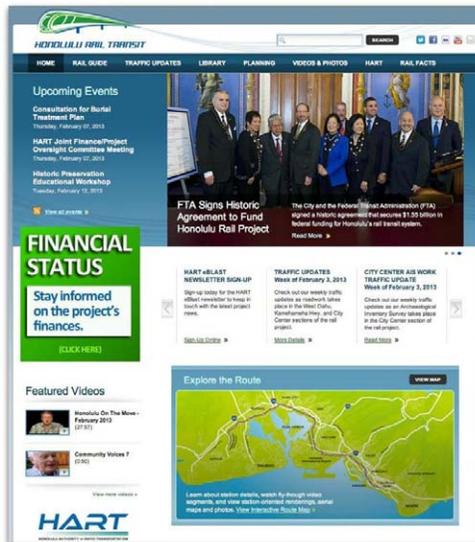
westbound between Sumner Street and Richards Street will be closed on Wednesday, January 22 and Thursday, January 23 between 8:30 p.m. and 4 a.m.

In Kakaako, lane closures will take place at the following locations from Tuesday, January 21 to Friday, January 24 between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

- Halekauwila Street between Richards Street and Punchbowl Street
- Halekauwila Street between Coral Street and South Street

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