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HART AT THE LEGISLATURE



HART officials went to the state capitol yesterday to speak in support of a measure that would make permanent the state's one half of 1 per cent General Excise and Use Tax (GET) surcharge to fund the Honolulu rail transit project.

HART Executive Director and CEO Dan Grabauskas told members of two senate committees that construction costs in Honolulu are increasing rapidly, and that without an extension of the GET during this session, HART will reach the point where it will be unable to sign the contracts needed to complete the project.

HART Board of Directors Chairman Ivan Lui-Kwan noted the efficiency of rail and pointed out that the project's financial plan shows that rail can move one passenger one mile for 43 cents, while moving that same passenger in a bus costs 80 cents.

Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell also testified in strong support of the measure, telling lawmakers that because visitors to Honolulu pay about one-third of the GET they help local residents pay for the rail project.

The members of the senate panels amended the bill, and agreed unanimously to extend

the GET for 25 additional years instead of making it permanent. Lawmakers also put in a provision to have one-half of the ten percent that the state takes for administrative purposes go toward transit-oriented development projects.

The amended bill now goes to the Senate Ways and Means Committee for further consideration.

HART BOARD MEETING

The HART Board of Directors has a meeting scheduled for next week.

The meeting is planned for Thursday, February 19 at 8:30 a.m. and will be held in downtown Honolulu at the HART office in Suite 150 at Alii Place, which is located at 1099 Alakea Street. The entrance to the meeting room is on the Richards Street side of the building.

All HART Board meetings are open to the public. If you require special assistance, auxiliary aid and/or services to participate in this event (i.e. sign language interpreter, interpreter for language other than English, or wheelchair accessibility), please contact Lena Kamae at 808-768-6117 or email your request to info@honolulu.gov by Monday, February 16.

WEEKLY TRAFFIC ALERT

Sunday, February 15 to Friday, February 20



H-1 FREEWAY WAIAWA INTERCHANGE

Up to two westbound lanes and two eastbound lanes of the H-1 Freeway near the H-1/H-2 merge will be closed Tuesday night through Friday morning between 8 p.m. and 4 a.m.

EWA

Farrington Highway between Kualakai Parkway (North-South Road) and Old Fort Weaver Road will be closed westbound 24/7 and eastbound Monday and Tuesday from 7:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. On Wednesday and Thursday, the contractor will close that stretch of highway from 9 a.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning.

The outside lanes of Keahumoa Parkway will be closed 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

WAIPAHU (FARRINGTON HIGHWAY)

The on-ramp to the H-1 Freeway eastbound from Farrington Highway will be closed Tuesday night through Friday morning between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m.

The westbound lanes of Farrington Highway between Leoku Street and Leokane Street will be closed weeknights from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. and the inside lanes of Farrington from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Left turns from Farrington onto Leole Street will be restricted.

The outside lanes of Farrington Highway will be closed weeknights between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. from Waipahu Depot Street to Mokuola Street. The inside lanes will be closed weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The intersection of Farrington Highway and Moloalo Street will be closed 24/7.

The eastbound lanes of Farrington Highway from Kahualii Street to the Kamehameha Highway overpass will be closed weeknights between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m.

PEARL CITY (KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY)

One of the two eastbound left-turn lanes from Kamehameha Highway onto Acacia Road fronting Pearl Highland Center will be close 24/7.

Eastbound U-turns are still permitted. One westbound left-turn lane and the inside westbound lane of Kamehameha Highway will also be closed 24/7.

Two westbound lanes along Kamehameha Highway near Waimano Home Road will be closed weeknights between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. and two eastbound lanes between 7 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. The westbound lanes near the entrance to Leeward Community College will be closed weeknights between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. and traffic will be contraflowed.

Ala Ike Street is closed in both directions near the rear of the LCC campus parking lot.

Two westbound lanes of Kamehameha Highway from Kuleana Road to Kaonohi Street will be closed weeknights between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. and drivers will be contraflowed. Two eastbound lanes will be closed between 7 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. The intersection at Kaahumanu Street will be closed weeknights at 9 p.m.

One eastbound lane near the HECO-Waiiau power plant and one eastbound lane fronting Neal Blaisdell Park will be closed 24/7.

Alternate lane closures along Kaluamoi Place will take place weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. One lane will remain open at all times.

AIEA

One eastbound lane of Kamehameha Highway from Lipoa Place to Pali Momi Street near the Pearl Kai Shopping Center and one near McGrew Point will be closed 24/7.

Two westbound lanes of Kamehameha Highway will be closed weeknights between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. from Pali Momi Street to Honomanu Street. Two eastbound lanes in the same area will be closed between 7 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.

Two westbound lanes of Kamehameha Highway near Aloha Stadium will be closed weeknights between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. and two eastbound lanes will be closed from 7 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.

PEARL HARBOR/AIRPORT AREA

One eastbound lane of Kamehameha Highway from Makalapa Drive to Arizona Street will be closed Tuesday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

The outside lanes of Kamehameha Highway near the Radford Drive intersection will be closed Tuesday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

One eastbound and one westbound lane of Nimitz Highway near the Aolele Street and Lagoon Drive intersections will be closed Tuesday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

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