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The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) – for federal fiscal years (FFY) 2011 to 2014 (+2), identifies and establishes the implementation priority for the State and County projects, statewide, to be funded in part by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Authority (FTA) for the program period. The STIP is the document upon which the U.S. Department of Transportation bases its obligation of federal transportation funds for Highway and Transit projects in Hawaii.

When SAFETEA-LU (Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users) was enacted in 2005, it came with new requirements for development of the STIP. The most visible of which is that the STIP must cover four fiscal years instead of three. The Hawaii Department of Transportation: Highways Division (HDOT) has decided to add two illustrative/informative years to the highway program for informational purposes only. For the FTA program, the additional two illustrative years of information is optional. The projects and funds identified in these years (2015-2016) will not be endorsed in any way by FHWA or FTA. The STIP will be fully updated every four (4) years.

SAFETEA-LU has since expired at the end of the 2009 federal fiscal year. To date, there has been no successor Transportation Act to SAFETEA-LU. Future funding levels and planning processes that are usually identified in the Transportation Acts were unavailable at the time of this document's development. When the next Transportation Act is enacted, should assumptions on funding levels or processes used in this document be significantly different than what is identified in the new Act, the STIP and its processes will be revised appropriately.

In the years to be endorsed by FHWA and FTA, 2011 -2014, the STIP identified highway projects totaling approximately \$1.3 billion (similar to the previous four-year window that originally programmed \$1.1 billion) in federal and local money to be implemented during the four-year program period. Transit projects totaled \$3.7 billion in federal aid and local money (mostly due to ongoing transit efforts for the City and County of Honolulu). The projects listed include those eligible for federal funding assistance as well as regionally significant fully locally funded projects.

The purpose of this report is to document the process used in the development of the Hawaii STIP and to present the STIP FFY 2011-2014 (+2) financially constrained list of projects for federal approval.

More information on the FFY 2011-2014 STIP can be found on the HDOT Highways Division Website.

<http://hawaii.gov/dot/highways/STIP.htm>

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), the Oahu element of the STIP, as approved by the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OahuMPO) Policy Committee (PC), and endorsed by the Governor's Designee (Director of Transportation) has been incorporated into the STIP without change.

See OahuMPO's Website for more information and documentation on the TIP and TIP development and maintenance process.

<http://www.oahumpo.org/programs/tip.html>