

Re: STIP survey 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Brian Hall <bhall7@hawaii.edu>

06/20/2014 03:59 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Hall,

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Brian Hall

Brian Hall <bhall7@hawaii.edu>

06/12/2014 04:59:57 PM



Brian Hall
<bhall7@hawaii.edu>
06/12/2014 04:59 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,
cc

Subject STIP survey

Thanks for your time :)

--Brian Hall



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Re: STIP Survey for Hawai'i Island 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Wayne Blyth <mk200wayne@gmail.com>

06/20/2014 03:57 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr Blyth,

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Wayne Blyth

Wayne Blyth <mk200wayne@gmail.com>

06/12/2014 01:08:03 PM



Wayne Blyth
<mk200wayne@gmail.com>
06/12/2014 01:07 PM

To "hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov"
<hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov>,
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Subject STIP Survey for Hawai'i Island



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Wayne Blyth

Re: Survey on spending for county 📎

Hwy Stip Projects to: info

06/12/2014 10:26 AM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, Benson Chow, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Law,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems and our own statewide priorities to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

For your information, Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to compete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

"Sustainable Island Products"

"Sustainable Island Products" <info...

06/11/2014 02:02:30 PM



"Sustainable Island Products"
<info@1888sip2you.com>

To <hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov>,

06/11/2014 02:02 PM

cc

Please respond to
<info@1888SIP2YOU.com>

Subject Survey on spending for county

Please support any and all infrastructure projects relating to pedestrian and bicycle access to the greater Hilo area, especially for those who need routes to commute in town without the use of an automobile.

Sincerely,

Jesse Law
Founder & CEO

Sustainable Island Products
Sustainability TO-GO!

PH/FX: 1-888-SIP-2YOU (888-747-2968)

PO Box 10006, Hilo, HI 96721

[Hilo Location Map](#)

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Re: STIP Survey for Big Island 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Chris Seymour <hilobikehub@gmail.com>

06/12/2014 10:00 AM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, Benson Chow, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Seymour,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems and our own statewide priorities to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Chris Seymour

Chris Seymour <hilobikehub@gmail.com>

06/08/2014 07:39:53 PM



Chris Seymour
<hilobikehub@gmail.com>

06/08/2014 07:39 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject STIP Survey for Big Island

Aloha,

Here is my filled out survey for Hawai'i county and STIP budget plan for 2015-2018. Please add in more bicycle projects such as thoughtful planning with bicycles in mind. I own a bicycle and 2 cars. I buy gas and pay taxes, and I would like to see the Hawai'i State DOT take a more conscience lokk at planning for bicycles on our state roadways.



Mahalo 140404-15-18-STIP-Hawaii county-survey-04142014(1).xlsx

Re: STIP survey 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Andrea Gill <hoaloha@hawaiiintel.net>

06/12/2014 09:28 AM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, Benson Chow, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Ms. Gill,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems and our own statewide priorities to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Safety for all users of our roadways is very important to us. We have a safety program that helps us to identify and mitigate trouble spots.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Andrea Gill

Andrea Gill <hoaloha@hawaiiintel.net>

06/08/2014 04:44:42 PM



Andrea Gill
<hoaloha@hawaiiintel.net>
06/08/2014 04:44 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,
cc

Subject STIP survey

Please make bicycle routes and safety a priority!

mahalo



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Re: bike lanes 

Hwy Stip Projects to: cfsswim

06/12/2014 09:13 AM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Benson Chow, Sal Panem, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Seymour,

Thank you for your comments regarding bike facilities... Safety for all users of our roadways is very important to us. Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

cfsswim

cfsswim@aol.com

06/08/2014 03:05:56 PM



cfsswim@aol.com

06/08/2014 03:05 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject bike lanes

I am writing in regards to the highway projects in east Hawaii. please make sure there is adequate bike lanes for people like my self who commute by bike from Pahoia to Hilo. we need to have a way to get to work like every one else. just because we don't drive doesn't mean we shouldn't have a safe way to commute.

thanks you
chad Seymour
cfsswim@aol.com
808-965-7027

Re: Survey Response Submittal 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Josh Mason - Personal <xenosbc@gmail.com>

06/09/2014 03:17 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Mason,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems and our own statewide priorities to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Also, thank you for your suggestion regarding expanding our public involvement feedback capabilities. We are looking into updating our capabilities to be more web based. Hopefully, some advancement can be made for the next time we update the STIP.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Josh Mason - Personal

Josh Mason - Personal <xenosbc@gmail.com>

06/03/2014 01:51:00 PM



Josh Mason - Personal
<xenosbc@gmail.com>

06/03/2014 01:49 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject Survey Response Submittal

Please find my survey submittal attached. Considering the important nature of garnering community feedback on this survey, doing a web based survey utilizing the social media network would probably yield a much higher response rate and easier analysis of data. Any who, just a thought from a concerned citizen.

Thank you for providing the opportunity for the community to provide their feedback on the importance of certain projects.

Have a nice day!

Aloha,



-Josh Mason 140404-15-18-STIP-Hawaii-survey-04142014.xlsx

Re: My Survey Hawaii County STIP projects proposed for FFY 2014 thru 2018 📎

Hwy Stip Projects to: Douglas Payne <l-dpayne@msn.com>

06/09/2014 03:12 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Sal Panem, Ken Tatsuguchi

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Payne,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems and our own statewide priorities to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

We are working to update the maps on our STIP website. I have worked with our mapper to correct the basemap for our Big Island STIP location map. We will update our files and website as soon as possible.

Regarding the addition of funding for the Kuakini Highway Widening project. We'll look at all the capacity needs and priorities on the Big Island as a whole and the project readiness of these needs. From there we can see if/how this project may be scheduled.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Douglas Payne

Douglas Payne <l-dpayne@msn.com>

06/03/2014 01:29:03 PM



Douglas Payne
<l-dpayne@msn.com>
06/03/2014 01:28 PM

To <hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov>,
cc

Subject My Survey Hawaii County STIP projects proposed for FFY 2014 thru 2018

Aloha HDOT Highway Division,

I am sending this completed survey of my ranking for Hawaii County STIP projects proposed for FFY 2014 thru 2018.

At the HDOT meeting on June 30 in Kailua Kona, it was mentioned that project HS 23 is shown incorrect on the project map. Your web project location maps for the Big Island reflects HS 23 as the old alignment for the Saddle Road, not the new alignment for the Daniel Inouye Highway. Also the STIP description for HS 23 is titled Saddle Road Extension (Route 200). Both the project maps and STIP project description should reflect the correct name of the highway and project as the Daniel Inouye Highway Extension. Quickly correcting the map and project title would be the respectful action.

Finally, I ask that HDOT add the previously listed FFY 2011 – 2014 STIP project HS 26, Route 11 (Kuakini Highway) Widening, Henry Street (Rte 1830) to Kamehameha III Road (Rte 185), Phase 1, estimated cost of \$27,000,000. **This arterial highway is currently very congested at peak hours and includes many conflict/safety intersections due to existing design.** As I mentioned at the June 30 meeting, the Route 11 project could be phased as two improvement projects. The first segment, from Henry Street to Lako Street, combined with the county's project to

widen Lako Street to Ali'i Drive, could provide another route for north and south bound traffic. Further, this first segment already appears to have the necessary graded right-of-way to accommodate a four lane highway.

Thank you for accepting my survey and comments,
Doug Payne, 808-329-8278



Kailua KonaMy Submitted 140404-15-18-STIP-Hawaii-survey-04142014.pdf

Re: Bridges 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Joe Carvalho

06/04/2014 12:04 PM

Sent by: Patrick Tom

Cc: Sal Panem, Paul Santo, Jill M Tanabe, Ken Tatsuguchi, Sean Hiraoka

Mr. Carvalho,

Thanks for taking the time to participate in the planning process for the development of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The Kawaihae Uka bridge is currently not listed in the proposed 2015-2018 (+2) STIP. I checked with our bridge engineer here at the Highways Division. He informs me that there is relatively low traffic on the bridge and it is currently structurally OK. It is not an immediate priority for replacement/rehabilitation. From an operational or safety aspect, if there have been incidents at the bridge, it could be possible to address improvements them through our Highway Safety Improvement Program or perhaps our Special Maintenance Program.

I've copied our Hawaii District Engineer, Bridge Engineer and our Safety Engineer for their information.

Pat

Joe Carvalho

Joe Carvalho <kohala1@yahoo.com>

06/01/2014 05:27:47 PM



Joe Carvalho

<kohala1@yahoo.com>

06/01/2014 05:24 PM

Please respond to
Joe Carvalho
<kohala1@yahoo.com>

To "Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov"
<Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov>,

cc

Subject: Bridges

Aloha,

I was at the last STIP meeting in Waimea and didn't know if the following bridge on the Kohala Mountain Road is on the bridge project list. It is a very narrow bridge that barely has room for cars to both pass on it.

Kawaihae Uka Bridge.

Hopefully, it is on the list.

mahalo,

Joe Carvalho

RE: NEW 2015-2018 (+2) STIP Development 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Stephen & Sanae Palmore
<palmares001@hawaii.rr.com>

04/21/2014 03:54 PM

Cc: Sal Panem, Bryan Kimura, Jill M Tanabe, Patrick Tom, Ken Tatsuguchi

Mr. Palmore,

Thank you for your observations and comments on our State roads on the Big Island.

The STIP is a program that identifies projects that are proposed for federal aid assistance. Not all projects that the Highways Division develops are included in this program. If a project is small enough, it may not require federal aid and would not need to be included in the STIP.

I forwarded your original comments to our Hawaii District office and I will forward these new comments to our Hawaii District Office for response to your suggestions and concerns. Our Hawaii District Office is in charge of the maintenance funds which fund roadway repaving and rehabilitation. They will also be able to better address your comments and suggestions regarding the intersections, signal timing and auxiliary lanes.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

"Stephen & Sanae Palmore"

"Stephen & Sanae Palmore" <palmor...

04/16/2014 08:45:44 PM



"Stephen & Sanae Palmore"
<palmares001@hawaii.rr.com
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04/16/2014 08:43 PM

To <Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov>,
cc

Subject RE: NEW 2015-2018 (+2) STIP Development

Hi,

I made some suggestions regarding a new intersection (at that time) in Mt. View HI. I don't know if I was ignored, or you checked it out, or you were just too busy to address it even after 10-12 months.

I will try here again as it is an ongoing traffic congestion issue.

Heading on Hwy 11 towards Volcano or towards Hilo. When you get there and you wish to turn left you have to wait for the left on green arrow only. No oncoming traffic (especially at night) or the turner gets to go and it stops the main highway flow. Frustrating form all. Please convert the left on green arrow to left turn yield on green.

Additionally, the left turn lane heading towards Volcano is cross painted which prevents all of the left turning cars from moving into the left turn lane. (most of us drive over the cross painted section to get out of the flow of traffic). A bus and three cars force the last car to wait in the thru traffic lane, holding up the flow of traffic. This frustrates everyone trying to make it home without stop and go traffic. (Granted our traffic woes are nothing like Oahu's I get that but we can make everyone's commute more pleasant and stop the gasoline wastage by folks sitting at the light due to these two inefficiencies.

Lastly the right turn area in Keaau heading towards Hilo before the main Keaau light. There is ample

opportunity to mark that wide shoulder and make it a right turn lane which will help with the flow of traffic. The cost for that will be paint and a new sign. The majority of people use it anyhow for a right turn lane, partly out of courtesy for the drivers behind and partly to prevent someone from driving into the back of their vehicle (mostly I think the former)

Appreciate the white top coat on the asphalt between Kurtistown and Mt. View. Really increases visibility. Hope the plan is to do all the highway with it.

That's it for my stretch of the road. Thanks

Stephen Palmore
968-6140

From: Patrick.Tom@hawaii.gov [mailto:Patrick.Tom@hawaii.gov] **On Behalf Of**
Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 9:40 AM
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: NEW 2015-2018 (+2) STIP Development

ALL RECIPIENTS ARE BLIND COPIED.

NEW 2015 -2018 (+2) STIP Development!

HDOT is currently in the process of developing the STIP for the next 4 years. We have compiled a financially unconstrained STIP for 2015-2018 based on eligibility, our management systems and project readiness.

The development of the Oahu portion of the STIP (the Oahu TIP) is being done by the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (Oahu MPO). Once approved, the Oahu TIP will be placed into the STIP "as is".

Here is a link for information on the Oahu process.

<http://www.oahumpo.org/plans-and-programs/transportation-improvement-program-tip/>

HDOT will process the neighbor island portion of the STIP and will be holding public informational meetings on the neighbor islands in May.

For information about the new 15-18 (+2) STIP and the upcoming public informational meetings on the neighbor islands, please see the following link.

Information Page:

<http://hidot.hawaii.gov/highways/stip-fiscal-years-2015-2018-2-development-information/>

Neighbor Island Public Information Meeting Schedule:

<http://hidot.hawaii.gov/highways/files/2014/04/15-18-STIP-PIM-Rd-1-Statewide-Flyer-04142014.pdf>

Follow the STIP on Facebook and Twitter for notices regarding the development and management of the STIP.

<http://twitter.com/HISTIPnews>

<http://www.facebook.com/stip.hawaii>

Re: highway projects community survey 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Christopher Lauer <lauer3@hawaii.edu>

06/03/2014 01:34 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Alvin Takeshita, Ken Tatsuguchi, Bryan Kimura, Robert Sun, Henry Kennedy

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Lauer,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems and our own statewide priorities to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Regarding bicycle facility improvements, it is our practice to consider including bicycle improvements in all of our projects. If improvements are feasible (within the budget, consistent with Bike Plan Hawaii, doesn't complicate the design, still allows us to meet the purpose and need of the original project, etc...), they can be implemented within an existing project.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Christopher Lauer

Christopher Lauer <lauer3@hawaii.edu>

06/02/2014 12:57:02 PM



Christopher Lauer
<lauer3@hawaii.edu>

06/02/2014 12:56 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject highway projects community survey

Dear members of the need assessment committee,
Please find attached my contribution to the 2015-2020 highway need assessment survey. I am most concerned with protecting and expanding bike lanes on the eastern side of the island.
Mahalo,

Dr. Christopher Lauer
Assistant Professor of Philosophy
University of Hawai'i at Hilo
200 W. Kawili St.



Hilo, HI 96720 140404-15-18-STIP-Hawaii-survey-04142014.xlsx

Re: FY2014-2018 STIP Submission 📎

Hwy Stip Projects to: aaron

Cc: Jill.M.Tanabe

04/21/2014 03:44 PM

Mr. Stene,

I am sorry that you haven't received an answer to your question re: the east side of the Daniel K Inouye Highway Improvement project. I have been out sick this past week, and I think your question went upstairs for response... But, in any case, the omission was an oversight that we will correct when we finalize the 15-18 STIP. I believe we are currently assuming that TIGER 6 funds will be available to assist in the funding of this last segment. How and when it's shown in the STIP may be dependent the timing and amount of those TIGER funds.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Aaron Stene

Aaron Stene <aaron@hawaii.rr.com>

04/21/2014 03:33:56 PM



Aaron Stene
<aaron@hawaii.rr.com>

04/21/2014 03:33 PM

Please respond to
aaron@hawaii.rr.com

To Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov,

cc Jill.M.Tanabe@hawaii.gov

Subject Re: FY2014-2018 STIP Submission

No problem. Is there a particular reason why the Saddle Road SR200(3) phase isn't included in this proposed STIP. This is the final phase of the Daniel K. Inouye Highway.

Aaron

On 4/21/2014 3:29 PM, Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov wrote:
Thank you for your input!

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Aaron Stene <aaron@hawaii.rr.com>

04/16/2014 03:43 PM

Please respond to
aaron@hawaii.rr.com

To

hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject

Re: FY2014-2018 STIP Submission

FY2014-2018 STIP Submission High Priority/Low Priority projects.

Re: question of Hilo bay front shoreline protection 📄

Hwy Stip Projects to: william king

08/04/2014 09:23 AM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Kevin Ito, Ken Tatsuguchi, Jill M Tanabe, Sal Panem

Mr. King,

Design for the Hilo Bayfront Highway, Shoreline Protection project has just started earlier this year. It will be some years before we construct anything, but as we develop the project, we will need to take a look at impacts to the environment and socio-economic impacts (which can include fishing impacts). I am copying this response to our project manager, Kevin Ito and our Hawaii District Engineer, Sal Panem. They can help provide you with more project details and information about how to get involved in the project development process.

(Kevin/Sal - can you better address Mr. King's question? Thanks.)

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

william king william king <wmjking@yahoo.com> 08/01/2014 08:15:25 PM



william king
<wmjking@yahoo.com>

08/01/2014 08:15 PM

Please respond to
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To "hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov"
<hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov>,

cc

Subject question of Hilo bay front shoreline protection

DOT:

Regarding the proposed Hilo bay shoreline protection project,
How will it affect our shore line access and fishing access to Hilo bay at this popular fishing location?

William King
Hilo Fisherman
wmjking@yahoo.com

Re: Fiscally Constrained STIP Error 📎

Hwy Stip Projects to: aaron

07/18/2014 08:09 AM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Stene,

The Total Project Cost Estimate is meant to include the cost of the entire project from east side to the west where it connects to 190. It's not just for the east side phase that's listed in the STIP. The estimate is also suppose to include any needed ROW and design costs.

Thanks for checking with us on that.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Aaron Stene

Aaron Stene <aaron@hawaii.rr.com>

07/17/2014 05:51:39 PM



Aaron Stene
<aaron@hawaii.rr.com>

07/17/2014 05:51 PM

Please respond to
aaron@hawaii.rr.com

To Patrick.Tom@hawaii.gov, hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,
cc

Subject Fiscally Constrained STIP Error

Dear Mr. Tom,

I was pleased to see the final east side Daniel K. Inouye Highway phase was included on the latest STIP revision. However, the cost estimate for this phase is incorrect. This phase is slated to cist around 50 million dollars, not 250 million dollars.

Aaron



Re: Lanihau Properties Comments to proposed STIP list 

Patrick Tom to: Riley Smith <rsmith@lanihau.net>

06/30/2014 11:07 AM

Cc: "Alvin Takeshita (alvin.takeshita@hawaii.gov)", "Bill Moore (wlmoore@outlook.com)", Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, Scot T Urada, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Smith,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP. Feed back from public input is important to us. It helps to give us a sense of importance in each community. Although input from the community will not usually supersede the priorities identified through our technical management systems, it gives us additional information for financial constraint of the program. For example, if a decision was needed to defer a project, all other things being equal, we would prefer to defer a project with less public support.

Thank you for your support for the below listed projects. Regarding the two state projects you list, I have the following updated information:

HS13 - Kawaihae Road - Waiaka Stream Bridge Replacement and Realignment of Approaches - We are experiencing land acquisition issues that has delayed the procurement of the necessary right-of-way for this project. Given that, we are looking at the need to defer funding the ROW and CON for this project at least a year.

HS16 - Kealakehe Parkway Extension - With the development of the County's roadway system in the area, the Department is currently re-assessing the priority for this project.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Riley Smith | Mr. Takeshita/Tom.....Thank you for the prese... | 06/15/2014 08:58:29 PM

From: Riley Smith <rsmith@lanihau.net>
To: "Alvin Takeshita (alvin.takeshita@hawaii.gov)" <alvin.takeshita@hawaii.gov>, "Patrick Tom (patrick.tom@hawaii.gov)" <patrick.tom@hawaii.gov>,
Cc: "Bill Moore (wlmoore@outlook.com)" <wlmoore@outlook.com>
Date: 06/15/2014 08:58 PM
Subject: Lanihau Properties Comments to proposed STIP list

Mr. Takeshita/Tom.....Thank you for the presentations on your proposed STIP list, that were made on Hawaii Island on 5/29 and 5/30. As President of Lanihau Properties, LLC, we own the ahupuaa of Honokohau and are very concerned with regional traffic circulation issues in Kailua-Kona. We are supportive of inclusion of the following projects on your priority list:

- a. **Hawaii State – FHWA:** We are very supportive of HS13 (Kawaihae Road/Waiaka Stream Bridge), HS-16 (Kealakehe Parkway Extension) projects.
- b. **County of Hawaii – FHWA:** We are very supportive of HC1 (Alii Drive Culvert Replacement), HC2 (Alii Highway/Route 1110), HC5 Kuakini Highway Widening, Phase II.

Please retain these projects on your STIP priority list. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (808) 936-7129 or via email at rsmith@lanihau.net.

Riley W. Smith, P.E.

President, Lanihau Properties LLC



Re: KVBID Support for Hawaii Island STIP Projects 
Patrick Tom to: Debbie Baker <kailuavillage@gmail.com>
 Cc: alvin.takeshita, "Ishii, Ben", Sal.Panem, Ken Tatsuguchi
 Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

06/30/2014 02:17 PM

Ms Baker,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP. Feed back from public input is important to us. It helps to give us a sense of importance in each community. Although input from the community will not usually supersede the priorities identified through our technical management systems, it gives us additional information for financial constraint of the program. For example, if a decision was needed to defer a project, all other things being equal, we would prefer to defer a project with less public support.

Thank you for your support for the below listed projects. Regarding the two state projects you list, I have the following updated information:

HS13 - Kawaihae Road - Waiaka Stream Bridge Replacement and Realignment of Approaches - We are experiencing land acquisition issues that has delayed the procurement of the necessary right-of-way for this project. Given that, we are looking at the need to defer funding the ROW and CON for this project at least a year.

HS16 - Kealakehe Parkway Extension - With the development of the County's roadway system in the area, the Department is currently re-assessing the priority for this project.

Patrick Tom
 STIP Manager

Debbie Baker	Aloha Mr. Takeshita and Mr. Tom, Thank you...	06/16/2014 09:59:14 AM
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From: Debbie Baker <kailuavillage@gmail.com>
 To: alvin.takeshita@hawaii.gov, patrick.tom@hawaii.gov,
 Cc: "Ishii, Ben" <BISHII@co.hawaii.hi.us>, Sal.Panem@hawaii.gov
 Date: 06/16/2014 09:59 AM
 Subject: KVBID Support for Hawaii Island STIP Projects

Aloha Mr. Takeshita and Mr. Tom,

Thank you for the presentations on your proposed STIP list that were made on Hawaii Island on 5/29 and 5/30.

The Kailua Village Business Improvement District represents 1,015 property owners in Historic Kailua Village, Kona. We are supportive of inclusion of the following projects on your priority list:

- a. **Hawaii State – FHWA:** We are very supportive of HS13 (Kawaihae Road/Waiaka Stream Bridge), HS-16 (Kealakehe Parkway Extension) projects.
- b. **County of Hawaii – FHWA:** We are very supportive of HC1 (Alii Drive Culvert Replacement), HC2 (Alii Highway/Route 1110), HC5 Kuakini Highway Widening, Phase II.

Please retain these projects on your STIP priority list. Should you have any

questions, please contact me at 808-326-7820.

Mahalo,

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Debbie Baker

Executive Director

Kailua Village BID

75-5751 Kuakini Hwy #202

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Re: STIP 2014-2018 Comments and Prioritization Survey Results 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Tina Clothier <tina@pathhawaii.org>

06/26/2014 11:18 AM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Ms. Clothier,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP. Feed back from public input is important to us. It helps to give us a sense of importance in each community. Although input from the community will not usually supersede the priorities identified through our technical management systems, it gives us additional information for financial constraint of the program. For example, if a decision was needed to defer a project, all other things being equal, we would prefer to defer a project with less public support.

In review of your list of signatures, we noticed that a couple people have also sent in individual survey comments therefore, we will account for that in our tally.

Also, as you may know, Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

It is the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing Bike Plan Hawaii in each of our existing highway projects as it is sometimes easier to include bike facility improvements in larger projects as a small part of the scope than it is to create stand alone bike improvement projects.

Similarly, it is the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing complete street principles in all of our highways projects. If it is eligible and feasible to add complete street scope of work to a project, it will be done.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Tina Clothier Tina Clothier <tina@pathhawaii.org>

06/16/2014 05:08:41 PM



Tina Clothier
<tina@pathhawaii.org>
06/16/2014 05:08 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,
cc

Subject STIP 2014-2018 Comments and Prioritization Survey Results

Patrick Tom, STIP Manager
State of Hawaii Department of Transportation

Dear Mr. Tom -

On behalf of PATH's 1,500+ members, we submit the following comment and prioritization

of STIP 2014- 2018 projects along with the enclosed survey documenting all votes as represented by the individuals that co- sign the attached letter.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and to participate in this survey.

Best Regards,

Tina Clothier

Tina Clothier

Executive Director

PATH~ Peoples Advocacy for Trails Hawaii

808-561-9212 cell

808-326-7284 office

808-327-1092 fax

tina@pathhawaii.org

www.pathhawaii.org



STIP Letter 2014 - 2018 & Survey copy.pdf

Re: STIP survey 

Hwy Stip Projects to: bernice <asequoia@gmail.com>

06/25/2014 02:45 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Ms. Hwang,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

It is also the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing Bike Plan Hawaii in each of our existing highway projects as it is sometimes easier to include bike facility improvements in larger projects as a small part of the scope than it is to create stand alone bike improvement projects.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

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bernice
<asequoia@gmail.com>
06/16/2014 02:10 AM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,
cc
Subject STIP survey

Aloha,

Please support East Hawai'i bicycling! See survey attached.

Mahalo!

Bernice Hwang



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Re: Survey 

Hwy Stip Projects to: erickson.neilc

06/25/2014 02:43 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Erickson,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

It is also the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing Bike Plan Hawaii in each of our existing highway projects as it is sometimes easier to include bike facility improvements in larger projects as a small part of the scope than it is to create stand alone bike improvement projects.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Neil Erickson Neil Erickson <erickson.neilc@gmail.com> 06/15/2014 09:54:38 PM



Neil Erickson
<erickson.neilc@gmail.com>

06/15/2014 09:54 PM

Please respond to
erickson.neilc@gmail.com

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject Survey

Thank you for allow public opinion.

Neil Erickson



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Re: Island of Hawaii Transportation projects next four years 📎

Hwy Stip Projects to: Franz Weber <FWeber@unfi.com>

06/25/2014 02:15 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Weber,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Franz Weber	Franz Weber <FWeber@unfi.com>	06/15/2014 11:50:51 AM
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Franz Weber
<FWeber@unfi.com>
06/15/2014 11:50 AM

To "hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov"
<hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov>,
cc

Subject Island of Hawaii Transportation projects next four years

Franz Weber

League of American Bicyclists – LCI Instructor

(808) 322-6633

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Re: Please accept my survey. 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Matthias w. Kusch <mkusch@msn.com>

06/25/2014 02:04 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Kusch,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

It is also the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing Bike Plan Hawaii in each of our existing highway projects as it is sometimes easier to include bike facility improvements in larger projects as a small part of the scope than it is to create stand alone bike improvement projects.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

"Matthias w. Kusch"

"Matthias w. Kusch" <mkusch@msn.com>

06/15/2014 01:16:00 PM



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<mkusch@msn.com>
06/15/2014 01:14 PM

To "hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov"
<hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov>,
cc

Subject Please accept my survey.

Thank you,
Matthias kusch
78 Lahaina St
Hilo, HI 96720

Sent from Windows Mail



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15-18 STIP survey Big Island 📎

Hwy Stip Projects to: Corrie Wright <corrie.wright@gmail.com>

06/25/2014 01:59 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, bishii

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Ms. Wright,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Corrie Wright	Corrie Wright <corrie.wright@gmail.com>	06/15/2014 01:02:26 PM
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Corrie Wright
<corrie.wright@gmail.com>

06/15/2014 01:02 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject



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Re: Hawaii State DOT Community survey due June 16th, 2014 📎

Hwy Stip Projects to: Diana Hollingsworth
<d7hollingsworth@gmail.com>

06/25/2014 01:46 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**
Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem
Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Ms. Hollingsworth,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

It is also the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing Bike Plan Hawaii in each of our existing highway projects as it is sometimes easier to include bike facility improvements in larger projects as a small part of the scope than it is to create stand alone bike improvement projects.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Diana Hollingsworth	Diana Hollingsworth <d7hollingsworth@g...	06/15/2014 08:24:26 AM
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Diana Hollingsworth
<d7hollingsworth@gmail.com>

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,
cc

06/15/2014 08:24 AM

Subject Hawaii State DOT Community survey due June 16th, 2014

Aloha,

I very much appreciate the opportunity to contribute to your survey requesting community priorities on upcoming DOT projects. Please see attached file here.

Thank you for continuing to make improvements so bicycles, mopeds and pedestrians can safely share the roadways with automobiles, motorcycles, scooters and bus traffic. Of course, continuing to improve reliable and timely bus service for people who then could use the bus to go to and from work would be most beneficial.

In lieu of that, making the roads safer and accessible for all commuters is of high importance. Please keep bicycles on the road as viable and safe alternatives for commuting automobiles.

Mahalo nui loa,
Diana

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Diana Hollingsworth
P.O. Box 1413

Hilo, HI 96721

ph. 808-238-2555 (cell)

d7hollingsworth@gmail.com



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Re: Big Island STIP comments 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Ken Wright <kdub@hawaiiantel.net>

06/20/2014 04:10 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem, Nelson L Ayers

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Wright,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

It is also the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing Bike Plan Hawaii in each of our existing highway projects as it is sometimes easier to include bike facility improvements in larger projects as a small part of the scope than it is to create stand alone bike improvement projects.

Regarding the Recreational Trails Program, I've cced the manager of that program at the DLNR, Mr. Nelson Ayers for his information.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Ken Wright

Ken Wright <kdub@hawaiiantel.net>

06/14/2014 08:22:14 PM



Ken Wright
<kdub@hawaiiantel.net>
06/14/2014 08:15 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject

Please add bike lanes along Keaau Paho highway. Would like to use as commute. Compleat bike lanes down through Keauakaha, and have police inforce parking restrictions.

We need offroad trail areas for mountain biker recreation. Many of us would help build and maintain these areas if they are are set aside for are use. Kalopa and Kulani are examples of what can be done.



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Re: STIP Survey for Hawaii Island (Excel attached) 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Eric Kaponu <erickapono@gmail.com>

06/20/2014 04:06 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Kaponu,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

It is also the state's policy to assess the feasibility of implementing Bike Plan Hawaii in each of our existing highway projects as it is sometimes easier to include bike facility improvements in larger projects as a small part of the scope than it is to create stand alone bike improvement projects.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Eric Kaponu

Eric Kaponu <erickapono@gmail.com>

06/13/2014 02:47:49 PM



Eric Kaponu
<erickapono@gmail.com>

06/13/2014 02:43 PM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,

cc

Subject STIP Survey for Hawaii Island (Excel attached)



Mahalo nui! 140404-15-18-STIP-Hawaii-survey-04142014_EK.xlsx

Re: Priorities for Projects 

Hwy Stip Projects to: Norman Reitz <nreitz76@gmail.com>

06/20/2014 04:03 PM

Sent by: **Patrick Tom**

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem

Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

Mr. Reitz,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems, our own statewide priorities, and project readiness to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Norman Reitz

Norman Reitz <nreitz76@gmail.com>

06/13/2014 08:06:12 AM



Norman Reitz
<nreitz76@gmail.com>
06/13/2014 08:06 AM

To hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov,
cc

Subject Priorities for Projects

See attached.

Thank you

Norman Reitz

15-2789 Kala St



Pahoa HI 96778 140404-15-18-STIP-Hawaii-survey-04142014.xlsx

Re: stip 
Hwy Stip Projects to: Dennis Vierra
Sent by: **Patrick Tom**
Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Sal Panem
Bcc: Jill M Tanabe

06/20/2014 04:00 PM

Mr. Vierra,

Thank you for your comments and participation in our planning and programming process. We will use all the comments we receive and mix them into the information we have from our management systems and our own statewide priorities to find the balance when we financially constrain the 2015-2018 (+2) STIP.

Bike Plan Hawaii identifies for us where bike facility improvements/additions are needed. Then there is a process that prioritizes the highest priorities of Bike Plan Hawaii for implementation. Some improvements are inexpensive enough and easy enough to be funded quickly with only state or county funds. If an improvement is relatively large and federal aid is needed for implementation, a stand alone bike facility project would have to complete with all the other projects seeking federal aid assistance.

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Patrick Tom
STIP Manager

Dennis Vierra Dennis Vierra <mobeta.400rs@yahoo.com> 06/12/2014 07:07:31 PM



Dennis Vierra
<mobeta.400rs@yahoo.com>

06/12/2014 07:07 PM

Please respond to
Dennis Vierra
<mobeta.400rs@yahoo.com>

To "hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov"
<hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov>,

cc

Subject stip



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NEIL ABERCROMBIE
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IN REPLY REFER TO:
HWY-PS 2.7603

August 4, 2014

Ms. Hennili C. Munden
P. O. Box 359
Kapaau, Hawaii 96755

Dear Ms. Munden:

Subject: 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Thank you for your letter suggesting that passing lanes on Queen Kaahumanu Highway be provided. We appreciate your involvement in the development of the new Federal Fiscal Year 2015 to 2018 (+2) STIP.

The safety of all users of our highway facilities is very important to us. We have safety management systems in place that help us to identify areas of concern on our roadway system. Projects funded on the STIP must originate from our management systems.

Your comment regarding turn lanes on Route 11, between Kaupulehu and Anaehoomalu will be forwarded to our Hawaii District Office and our Traffic Branch for investigation.

If you have any questions, please contact Ken Tatsuguchi, Engineering Program Manager, Highways Division, Planning Branch at (808) 587-1830.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alvin A. Takeshita".

Alvin A. Takeshita
Highways Administrator

bc: HWY-H, HWY-T, HWY-PS

PT:th

Hennill C. Munden
PO Box 359
Kapaa, HI 96755

6/29 7:58 PM/ST

808-889-0382
MAY 27, 2014

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HIGHWAY PLANNING BRANCH
869 PULUHOU STREET, ROOM 301
HONOLULU, HI 96813

RE: STIP FOR FISCAL YEARS 2015-2018(2)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

IN ORDER TO PREVENT EVEN MORE VEHICLE
ACCIDENTS/HUMAN INJURY &/OR DEATH
PASSING LANES SHOULD BE PROVIDED
FOR THE QUEEN KA'AHUMANU HIGHWAY/
(AKA HIGHWAY 11/HAWAII BELT ROAD)
BETWEEN KAUAPIHENU AND ANIHEHO'OMILU,
ONE FOR THE SOUTH BOUND TRAFFIC
& ONE FOR THE NORTH BOUND TRAFFIC.

I SINCERELY HOPE THAT YOU WILL GRANT
THIS REQUEST SO THAT BIG ISLAND
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS/HUMAN INJURY/
DEATH WILL DECREASE, RATHER THAN
INCREASE, IN THE FUTURE.

SINCERELY
Mc Hennill C. Munden

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

HWY-PS 2.8068

September 12, 2014

Mr. Gunner Mench
Chair
South Kohala Traffic Safety Committee
P. O. Box 6050
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743

Dear Mr. Mench:

Subject: 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Thank you for your letter dated August 12, 2014. We appreciate your involvement in the development of the new Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2015 to 2018 (+2) STIP and your support for our highway projects. We have the following response to your comments.

1. We are proceeding to complete the Queen Kaahumanu Highway and Kawaihae Road Intersection Improvement project and the Waiaka Stream Bridge Replacement and Realignment of Approaches project.
2. The Highway Capacity Program for the Island of Hawaii currently identifies the Daniel K. Inouye Highway Improvements and its extension to the Queen Kaahumanu Highway as the current priority for funding. The completion of these projects will provide the best and most immediate transportation benefit to the Big Island.
3. Regarding the Kawaihae Bypass, we are looking at the possibility of a mini bypass on the Mamalahoa Highway end of Kawaihae Road that will help address congestion issues in the area. At this time, this option is the only feasible segment of the full bypass. Also, as requested at the STIP public meeting held on July 30, 2014 at the Waimea Civic Center, we are comparing the Kawaihae Bypass and the Daniel K. Inouye Highway Extension projects, which may reprioritize these two projects in the Highway Capacity Program.

Mr. Gunner Mench
September 12, 2014
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HWY-PS 2.8068

If you have any questions, please contact Patrick Tom, STIP Manager, Highways Division, at (808) 587-6355.

Very truly yours,



ALVIN TAKESHITA
Highways Administrator

c: Mayor Billy Kenoi
Representative Cindy Evans
Senator Malama Solomon
Councilmember Valerie Poindexter
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Sincerely,

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Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, P.E., Engineering Program Manager

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September 12, 2014

Mr. Freddie Rice
P. O. Box 98
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743

Dear Mr. Rice:

Subject: 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Thank you for your letter dated August 12, 2014. We appreciate your involvement in the development of the new Federal Fiscal Years 2015 to 2018 (+2) STIP and your support for our highway projects. We have the following response to your comments.

1. We are proceeding to complete the Queen Kaahumanu Highway and Kawaihae Road Intersection Improvement project and the Waiaka Stream Bridge Replacement and Realignment of Approaches project.
2. The Highway Capacity Program for the Island of Hawaii currently identifies the Daniel K. Inouye Highway Improvements and its extension to the Queen Kaahumanu Highway as the current priority for funding. The completion of these projects will provide the best and most immediate transportation benefit to the Big Island.
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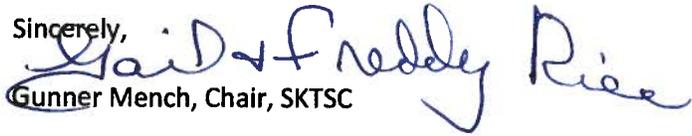
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64-804 Uikeoni Street
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743

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The current road is an extremely dangerous route. I passed 3 logging trucks descending in a 1/2 hour commute uphill. The Kawaihae harbor has completed a recent expansion and 90% of our imported goods come into that port. The bottleneck backs traffic a mile from the Waimea intersection. All trucks must utilize this route and more of them are double tandem.

I cannot emphasize how dangerous is this route with the intense commercial traffic. It is a major safety issue and the because of the new Hawaiian Homes subdivision, more traffic will be on that road.

Please listen to the community with its plea to reprioritize this project to begin next year as planned.

Cc: Cindy Evans, Gov. Abercrombie, Mayor Bill Kenoi, Ken Takeshita,

Thank you,

Joyce O'Connor 808 443 9087

