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The formal review of the Draft financially unconstrained STIP started with the posting of the Draft STIP on the HDOT website and the Draft Oahu TIP for review and comment on April 27, 2010.

OahuMPO's public involvement process for the Oahu Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) involved close coordination with HDOT and included a comprehensive public involvement and intergovernmental review process. The public involvement process for the Oahu TIP is documented in the TIP report (see OahuMPO website at, <http://www.oahumpo.org/programs/tip.html>). The TIP, when ultimately approved by the Governor's Designee, must be included as a part of the STIP without change.

The process described below describes the neighbor island efforts managed by HDOT. It also included agencies and groups with a statewide presence.

The public involvement plan that was followed for the update of the STIP was designed to maximize public outreach and address Title 6 and Environmental Justice outreach populations as effectively as possible. In referring to HDOT's procedures for Public Involvement Planning (PIP), the public participation program was composed of several elements:

1. **Mailing Lists (including email)**

A dynamic mailing list was created that is composed of the addresses of private citizens, neighbor island citizen's advisory committees, community service non-profits, human services organizations (i.e., Maui Economic Opportunities, Inc., Catholic Charities), Native Hawaiian civic clubs, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA), The Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL), Chambers of Commerce, community associations, rotary clubs and FTA grant recipients. People and groups on this list were mailed a copy of the meeting notices for their island/county.

A special effort was undertaken to try to reach minorities and low-income persons. Hardcopy fliers with general information about the STIP, the STIP Website address, HDOT contact information and STIP meeting information were mailed to public locations throughout the communities. Libraries, civic centers, supermarkets, laundromats, eateries, convenience stores and establishments with community bulletin boards were targeted and addressed.

This mailing list also includes email addresses. Addresses of people who submitted comments through the mail or email are also added. Local legislators and councilpersons were separately informed of all of our public meetings via email.

This list is constantly being edited. People and groups who sign the attendance list at past public meetings are added to this list as well as people and groups who request to be placed on it.

For this update effort, approximately 670 notices were mailed out statewide. Over 250 notices were sent out statewide via email from the STIP email account.

[hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov](mailto:hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov).

2. Press Release and Newspaper Ads

Press releases were sent to the local newspapers, radio stations, and television stations. Also, ads were placed in the following newspapers to publicize each round of public meetings (four ads total per paper):

Honolulu Star Bulletin/ Star-Advertiser – Statewide  
Hawaii Tribune Herald – Big Island  
West Hawaii Today – Big Island  
Maui News – Maui  
Garden Island News – Kauai

Copies of these press releases and ads are attached. As a result of the press releases and ads, articles were written in a number of newspapers, statewide. Copies of the articles that were found are also attached.

3. Visualization Techniques

Island-view project location maps as well as detailed project location maps for each individual project (if available and applicable) are posted on the HDOT STIP website. Hard copies of these maps as well as maps generated by project development efforts of particular projects of special interest were available at each public informational meeting held for the 2011-2014 STIP update.

4. Internet – HDOT STIP Website - <http://hawaii.gov/dot/highways/STIP.htm>

Copies of the draft financially unconstrained STIP, constrained STIP, individual project information and location maps, project priority survey, survey results and notices of public meetings to be held on the STIP were posted on the HDOT STIP website. Contact information (Planning Branch phone number and fax number and the STIP comment email address) is also posted.

5. Facebook and Twitter

Information regarding the update of the STIP, including meeting information and status of the update, was posted on both Facebook and Twitter social media sites.

These sites allow interested people to get first hand up to the minute information about the update, operation and maintenance of the STIP.

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

Twitter: <http://www.twitter.com/HISTIPnews>

## 6. Regional Informational Meetings

Eighteen (18) regional informational meetings were held on the neighbor islands in an attempt to reach out to and better interact with more of the population. These meetings were split into two rounds.

All meetings were publicized with a notice soliciting any special needs that may need accommodating. These needs include translators, sign language interpreters and handicap accommodations.

The purpose of the first round of meetings was to introduce the unconstrained STIP and invite feedback. Schedule and locations for these first round meetings were as follows:

- May 10 – Lihue, Kauai
- May 17 – Keaau, Hawaii
- May 18 – Hilo, Hawaii
- May 19 – Waimea, Hawaii
- May 20 – Kona, Hawaii
- May 24 – UpCountry, Maui
- May 25 – Kihei, Maui
- May 26 – Lahaina, Maui
- May 27 – Kahului, Maui

HDOT's Title VI/ Environmental Justice Specialist attended all nine first round meetings. The Specialist also attended a few second round meetings as a resource.

Summaries of the first round meetings were written up and also posted on the HDOT website. See Appendix 1.

The purpose of the second round of meetings was to share the financially constrained STIP and offer explanations on the financial constraint decisions made. Also, comments collected would be considered during the next STIP revision process. Schedule and locations for these second round meetings were as follows:

- Jul 26 – Hilo, Hawaii
- Jul 27 – Keaau, Hawaii
- Jul 28 – Waimea, Hawaii

- Jul 29 – Kona, Hawaii
- Aug 2 – Lihue, Kauai
- Aug 9 – UpCountry, Maui
- Aug 10 – Kihei, Maui
- Aug 11 – Lahaina, Maui
- Aug 12 – Kahului, Maui

Summaries of the second round meetings are being written up and will be posted on the HDOT website. Also see Appendix 1.

To enhance public participation, attendees of the first round meetings were given a project prioritization survey with return information included. The survey gave them an opportunity to express their opinions on project priorities. They were asked to rate projects “high”, “medium” or “low” priority. These surveys were also available on the STIP website for people to download, complete and return to us for consideration.

These comments and survey results were used as tools to help make more informed decisions during the constraint process. The majority of comments were related to Federal Highway funded projects. The survey results and comments from the first round of public meetings were also shared with the public at the second round meetings and posted on the DOT website.

As a result of the public involvement program the public attendance at our meetings were as follows:

Round 1:

- May 10 – Lihue, Kauai	- 11
- May 17 – Keaau, Hawaii	- 37
- May 18 – Hilo, Hawaii	- 2
- May 19 – Waimea, Hawaii	- 19
- May 20 – Kona, Hawaii	- 5
- May 24 – UpCountry, Maui	- 5
- May 25 – Kihei, Maui	- 4
- May 26 – Lahaina, Maui	- 7
- May 27 – Kahului, Maui	- 6
Total	= 96

Round 2:

- Jul 26 – Hilo, Hawaii	- 11
- Jul 27 – Keaau, Hawaii	- 7
- Jul 28 – Waimea, Hawaii	- 24
- Jul 29 – Kona, Hawaii	- 10
- Aug 2 – Lihue, Kauai	- 9
- Aug 9 – UpCountry, Maui	- 13

- Aug 10 – Kihei, Maui	- 5
- Aug 11 – Lahaina, Maui	-13
- Aug 12 – Kahului, Maui	-8
Total	= 100

All comments received throughout the public involvement process have been responded to. Attached as Appendix 2, are copies of the all comments received via mail and email to date and the responses sent. This appendix will also be posted on the STIP website.



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**News Release**

**LINDA LINGLE**  
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For Immediate Release: April 27, 2010  
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**PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS FOR  
STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
SCHEDULED STATEWIDE**

HONOLULU - The state Department of Transportation (DOT) will be holding statewide public informational meetings to discuss and solicit comments on the Draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for Fiscal Years 2011 – 2014 (+2). We encourage participation in these meetings, as comments received will help to guide the finalization of the STIP.

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The Public Informational Meeting on **KAUAI** has been scheduled as follows:

Monday, May 10, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
Department of Transportation  
Highways Division  
Kauai District Office Conference Room  
1720 Haleukana Street, Lihue

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The Public Informational Meetings on **HAWAII** have been scheduled as follows:

**Meeting #1**

Monday, May 17, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
Keauu Community Center  
16-186 Pilimua Street, Keauu

**Meeting #2**

Tuesday, May 18, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
Hilo State Office Building  
Conference Rooms A, B & C  
75 Aupuni Street, Hilo

**Meeting #3**

Wednesday, May 19, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
Waimea Civic Center  
State Office Building Conference Room  
67-5189 Kamamalu Street, Kamuela

**Meeting #4**

Thursday, May 20, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
Konawaena High School Cafeteria  
81-1043 Konawaena School Road,  
Kealahou

The Public Informational Meetings on **MAUI** have been scheduled as follows:

**Meeting #1**

Monday, May 24, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
King Kekaulike High School Cafeteria  
121 Kula Highway, Pukalani

**Meeting #2**

Tuesday, May 25, 2010, 6:00 p.m.  
Kihei Elementary School Cafeteria  
250 E. Lipoa Street, Kihei

**Meeting #3**

Wednesday, May 26, at 6:00 p.m.  
West Maui Senior Center Cafeteria  
788 Pauoa Street, Lahaina

**Meeting #4**

Thursday, May 27, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
State Department of Transportation  
Highways Division  
Maui District Office Conference Room  
650 Palapala Drive, Kahului

Further information on the DRAFT Fiscal Years 2011-2014 (+2) STIP and meeting site location maps can also be found at:

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Honolulu, HI 96813  
Phone Number: (808) 587-6355  
Fax Number: (808) 587-1787

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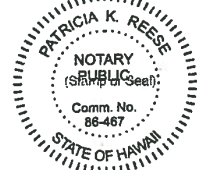
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IN THE MATTER OF  
NOTICE

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STATE OF HAWAII )  
 ) SS.  
City and County of Honolulu )

Doc. Date: MAY 10 2010 # Pages: 1  
Notary Name: Patricia K. Reese First Judicial Circuit  
Doc. Description: Affidavit of  
Publication  
  
Notary Signature MAY 10 2010 Date  


Rose Mae Rosales being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is a clerk, duly authorized to execute this affidavit of MidWeek Printing, Inc. publisher of MidWeek and the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, that said newspapers are newspapers of general circulation in the State of Hawaii, and that the attached notice is true notice as was published in the aforementioned newspapers as follows:

Honolulu Star-Bulletin 3 times on:  
04/27, 05/03, 05/10/2010

Midweek Wed. 0 times on:

Midweek Fri. 0 times on:

0 times on:

And that affiant is not a party to or in any way interested in the above entitled matter.

  
Rose Mae Rosales

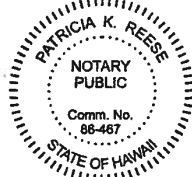
Subscribed to and sworn before me this 10th day

of May A.D. 2010

  
Patricia K. Reese, Notary Public of the First Judicial Circuit, State of Hawaii

My commission expires October 07, 2010

Ad # 0000188605



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The Public Informational Meeting on the Island of MAUI has been scheduled as follows:

**Meeting #1**  
Date: Monday, May 10, 2010  
Time: 6:00 P.M.  
Location: Department of Transportation  
Highways Division  
Kinsal District Office Conference Room  
1720 Haleakala Street  
Lima, Maui, Hawaii 96766

The Public Informational Meetings on the Island of HAWAII have been scheduled as follows:

**Meeting #1**  
Date: Monday, May 17, 2010  
Time: 6:00 P.M.  
Location: Kanan Community Center  
16-188 Piliatua Street  
Kaanapali, Hawaii 96749

**Meeting #2**  
Date: Tuesday, May 18, 2010  
Time: 6:00 P.M.  
Location: Kanan Community Center  
State Office Building Conf Room  
67-6189 Kaimalihi Street  
Kaanapali, Hawaii 96749

**Meeting #3**  
Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2010  
Time: 6:00 P.M.  
Location: Waimea Civic Center  
State Office Building Conf Room  
67-6189 Kaimalihi Street  
Kaanapali, Hawaii 96749

**Meeting #4**  
Date: Thursday, May 20, 2010  
Time: 6:00 P.M.  
Location: Kona Community High School Cafeteria  
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Kapaeha, Hawaii 96760

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Pahoa, Hawaii 96788

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16-186 Piliua Street  
Keaau, Hawaii 96749

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Date: Tuesday, May 18, 2010  
Time: 6:00 P.M.  
Location: Hilo State Office Building  
Conference Rooms A, B, & C  
75 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

**Meeting #3**

Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2010  
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67-5189 Kamamalu Street  
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743

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Location: Konawaena High School Cafeteria  
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(No. 2305-West Hawaii Today: May 3 & 10, 2010)

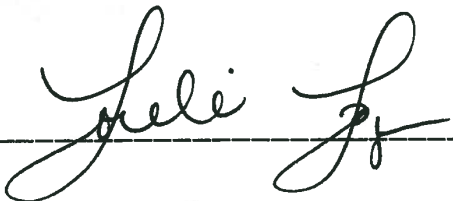
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State of Hawaii                    )  
  ) SS:  
County of Hawaii                 )

Lorelei Logan, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That she is the Major Accounts Manager of WEST HAWAII TODAY, a newspaper published in the City of Kailua Kona, State of Hawaii.

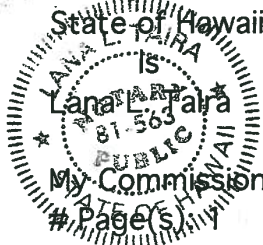
2. That "NOTICE STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Notice is hereby given that the STATE DEPARTMENT" of which a clipping from the newspaper is attached hereto, was published in said newspaper on the following date(s) May 3 & 10, 2010 (etc.)

  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This 10th day of May, 2010

  
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Notary Public; Third Circuit,  
State of Hawaii



My Commission expires: August 4, 2013

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STATE OF HAWAII, } ss.  
County of Maui.

Rhonda M. Kurohara being duly sworn  
deposes and says, that she is in Advertising Sales of  
the Maui Publishing Co., Ltd., publishers of THE MAUI NEWS, a  
newspaper published in Wailuku, County of Maui, State of Hawaii;  
that the ordered publication as to

## NOTICE STATE OF HAWAII

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

of which the annexed is a true and correct printed notice, was  
published 2 times in THE MAUI NEWS, aforesaid, commencing  
on the 10th day of May, 2010, and ending  
on the 17th day of May, 2010, (both days  
inclusive), to-wit: on

May 10, 17, 2010

and that affiant is not a party to or in any way interested in the above  
entitled matter.

*[Signature]*

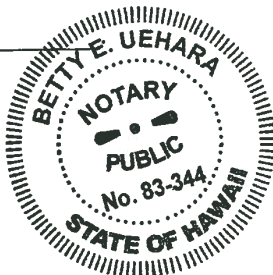
This 1 page Notice State of Hawaii, dated  
May 10, 17, 2010,

was subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of  
May, 2010, in the Second Circuit of the State of Hawaii,

by Rhonda M. Kurohara

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public, Second Judicial  
Circuit, State of Hawaii

BETTY E. UEHARA  
My commission expires 09-28-11



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(MN: May 10, 17, 2010)

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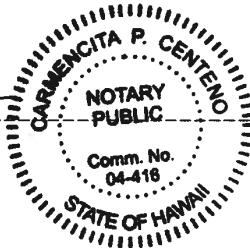
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More than \$400 million in highway projects have been proposed by various government agencies, including Hawaii County, for 2011.

But the state Department of Transportation only anticipates receiving about \$140 million in federal funding that fiscal year for the entire state, meaning it must determine which projects are most important, said Director Brennon Morioka.

The DOT is drafting its Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, which identifies federal, state and county projects and allocates how federal highway and transit funds will be spent over a four-year period.

Residents can submit comments on the "financially unconstrained" draft STIP and general road issues next week during DOT's first round of public informational meetings.

The first West Hawaii meeting will take place Wednesday in the State Office Building conference room at the Waimea Civic Center. The second is May 20 in the Konawaena High School cafeteria. Both begin at 6 p.m.

The object is to provide opinions to DOT as to what the transportation priorities should be from 2011 through 2014, as well as what projects can be pushed back or added to the list, Morioka said.

However, a project can only be eligible if it is located on roadways functionally classified as collector roads or greater, is consistent with the county's long-range plan or STIP, has cleared previous federal requirements, and must be "ready to go" in the year it is programmed to be funded or be deferred. Expected federal highway funding levels, based on historic trends, for the state are \$140 million in 2011, \$144 million in 2012, \$148 million in 2013 and \$152 million in 2014, according to the DOT.


Attendees will be asked to fill out a survey and prioritize Big Island projects listed in the draft, ranking each high, medium or low in importance. The survey must be completed by June 7 and is available online at [hawaii.gov/dot/highways/STIP/fy2011-2014.htm](http://hawaii.gov/dot/highways/STIP/fy2011-2014.htm). DOT will hold another round of meetings in late July and August to review and discuss the prioritized list, Morioka said.

Roughly \$125 million of the Big Island's share of federal and local funds is listed

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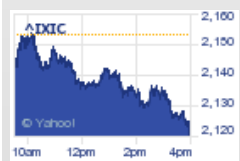
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to be spent on Saddle Road improvements in fiscal year 2012.

This includes grading and paving the road from mile marker 6 to mile marker 11, as well as widening or realigning the existing two-lane road from mile marker 6 to mile marker 42 to Mamalahoa Highway. Another approximately \$16.4 million is stretched over fiscal years 2013 through 2015 for the Saddle Road extension project, which creates a new roadway or realigns and extends the road from its Hilo terminus to Queen Kaahumanu Highway.

Safety improvements at the Queen Kaahumanu Highway and Kawaihae Road intersection are on the STIP for fiscal year 2011, including a little more than \$1 million for construction and \$156,000 for rights-of-way acquisition. Also listed that same year is \$4 million for planning and environmental studying of the impacts of widening Queen Kaahumanu Highway from two to four lanes from Kona International Airport to Kawaihae Harbor.

Other West Hawaii highway projects on the draft STIP are: \$3 million for the design of the first phase of the Kawaihae Road Bypass, nearly \$12 million for Waiaka Bridge Replacement and Realignment of Approaches project, and \$27.5 million for bicycle improvements and widening of Kuakini Highway.

Morioka stressed Wednesday that public input is important and can make a difference in the process. For instance, during the 2005 major STIP revision, he said vocal West Hawaii residents helped move up a safety measure on Mamalahoa Highway -- guardrail construction at the Puuanahulu curves -- which was recently undertaken.

For more information about STIP or the upcoming meetings, call the Highway Planning Branch in Honolulu at 587-6355 or e-mail [Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov](mailto:Hwy.Stip.Projects@hawaii.gov).

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When asked where exactly the first phase will begin, Stanley Tamura, DOT Highways Division district engineer, said it was undetermined. Still, he added, road construction may start on the Kawaihae side because of the rapid development of the harbor.



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Sumada said the Kawaihae bypass road, which will cost more than \$100 million, needs to be done in phases and will take multiple years to construct.

One resident suggested building the route in its entirety, but rough and useable like how Saddle Road used to be, instead of doing the phasing and constructing a first-class Kawaihae bypass road. Sumada said the DOT will follow the rules dictated by the U.S. Federal Highway Administration.

Other projects high on "the wish list" were safety improvements at the Queen Kaahumanu Highway and Kawaihae Road intersection, the Waiaka Bridge replacement and realignment of approaches, the widening of Mamalahoa Highway from Mud Lane to North Hawaii Community Hospital, and Saddle Road improvements.

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South Kohala Traffic Safety Committee Chairman Mike Price was glad to hear the plan would be updated and added it could be used as further justification for needed projects in his area.

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Kailua-Kona resident Bob Ward asked how DOT will ensure the STIP, expected to be completed in a few months, is consistent with the county's long-range regional transportation plan, which will be done in one to two years.

Sumada said STIP is "a dynamic document" that can be and will change.

On average, it is revised five times a year. He added if the county's plan reflects something different than what is in the STIP, then revisions will occur for consistency.

Asked how a project, not currently listed, could be added to the STIP, Sumada advised the public to call Stanley Tamura, DOT Highways Division district engineering program manager, at 933-8866. He said Tamura will be able to determine if the road qualifies, as well as if it would be a state or county project.

One project Keauhou Mauka resident Harold Murata wants included in the STIP is improvements to the Haawina Street and Kuakini Highway intersection. He said when a motorist on the highway stops to make a left turn onto Haawina Street, other impatient motorists traveling south dangerously use the shoulder to pass by. He has seen too many near accidents.



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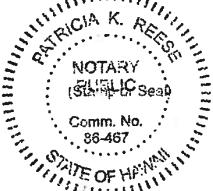
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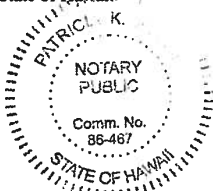
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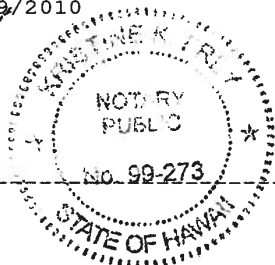
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## State seeks feedback on road plan

By West Hawaii Today  
Sunday, July 11, 2010 9:01 AM HST

The state Department of Transportation is seeking input from Big Island residents on planned revisions to its 2008-11 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The program identifies federal, state and county road projects and allocates how federal highway and transit funds will be spent over a four-year period.

The primary purpose of the revision is to address changes to Federal Highway Administration-funded projects because of shifts in project priorities and cost estimate changes that occur during the project development process.

Officials anticipate the state will receive \$140 million in federal highway and transit funding in 2011 that must be divided among nearly \$350 million in highway projects proposed by government agencies, including Hawaii County, listed for that year in its 2008-11 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The proposed statewide revisions can be found on the department's website at [hawaii.gov/dot/highways/STIP/fy2008-2013-revisions.htm](http://hawaii.gov/dot/highways/STIP/fy2008-2013-revisions.htm). For more information and to obtain a hard copy of the proposed revisions, call 587-6355.

Comments on revision No. 14 will be accepted through July 21. Comments should be faxed to 587-1787, e-mailed to [hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov](mailto:hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov), or mailed to the Highway Planning Branch, 869 Punchbowl St. Room 301, Honolulu, HI 96813.

Revisions to West Hawaii road work projects on the STIP list include a decrease in the cost estimate to complete earthquake repairs on a nine-mile stretch in South Kona and nine miles near the intersection of Queen Kaahumanu Highway and Kawaihae Road in South Kohala.

About \$1.1 million in design funding for the realignment of approaches and replacement of Waiaka Bridge on Kawaihae Road will be deferred for use in fiscal 2011. The delay is needed to complete the project's environmental assessment, according to the department.

Some \$1.1 million in construction funding for intersection improvements at Kawaihae Road and Queen Kaahumanu Highway will be deferred for use in fiscal 2012. The delay is needed to complete an archaeological study of items recently discovered, according to the department.

The department is also looking to increase the cost estimate for designing Saddle Road improvements from mile marker 42 to Mamalahoa Highway to

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Other proposed revisions for West Hawaii projects include reducing the cost estimate for work on the Lindsey Road Bridge, which the state determined did not need to be replaced, but simply repaired. The state is also looking to utilize stimulus funding for Americans with Disabilities Act curb ramp compliance work in Waimea.



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Here is our Big Island schedule.  
All meetings will start at 6pm."

Monday, 7/26 - Hilo State Office Building  
Tuesday, 7/27 - Keaau Community Center  
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realmerv wrote on Jul 12, 2010 11:03 AM:

" I was in Kailua-Kona on Tuesday and I was pleasantly surprised at the road improvements from the Airport to town. I wish we had some roads like those in Kailua-Kona.

I drove over to Kona using the Saddle Road route and the improvements to the roads makes the drive so much more enjoyable than in the past. The return trip was a bit spooky for the first 5 miles or so over Saddle Road. I'll be taking the Waimea route on the return trip to Hilo the next time I visit Kona. "

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## Road projects up for comment as state refines priorities

by Carolyn Lucas-Zenk  
West Hawaii Today  
clucas-zenk@westhawaii.com  
Wednesday, July 21, 2010 9:04 AM HST

Five West Hawaii road projects are ranked as having high importance in the latest draft of the 2011-14 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Top priority among more than 50 federal, state and county projects are: \$3 million for the design of the first phase of the Kawaihae Road bypass, nearly \$12 million for Waiaka Bridge Replacement and Realignment of Approaches project, roughly \$125 million for Saddle Road improvements, approximately \$16.4 million for a Saddle Road extension project and \$4 million for the planning and environmental studying of the impacts of widening Queen Kaahumanu Highway from two to four lanes from the airport to Kawaihae.

The Department of Transportation is drafting its STIP, which prioritizes projects proposed by government

agencies and allocates how federal highway and transit

funds will be spent over a four-year period. DOT officials anticipate the 2011-14 STIP will be finalized in August and submitted to the Federal Highway Administration in September. The ranking is based upon survey results DOT gathered from its initial round of public informational meetings in May.

Residents may submit comments on this "fiscally constrained" draft STIP July 28 in the State Office Building conference room at the Waimea Civic Center and July 29 in the Kealahake Intermediate School cafeteria. Both meetings begin at 6 p.m.

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Hawaii DOT Director Brennon Morioka said public input is important and can make a difference in the process. During the 2005 major STIP revision, he recalled vocal West Hawaii residents helped move up a safety measure on Mamalahoa Highway -- guardrail construction at the Puuanahulu curves.

At the 2008-13 STIP meetings, residents made the DOT aware of their want and support for the creation of a multiuse trail from Church Row to Kohala View Estates in Waimea. Morioka said DOT later helped secure federal funds, made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, for the trail project.

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"Public input is invaluable. This is the public's highway system," he said. "While we have our idea of what projects are important, we need to know what the public thinks are priorities and make sure we're not overlooking anything. This helps us determine what projects can be pushed back or taken off the list. It also further motivates us to try to accelerate and allocate more resources toward the high priority projects."

STIP is "a dynamic document" that can be adjusted and will change. The current STIP has been amended about two dozen times, Morioka said.

Asked whether political influence drives the list, Morioka responded, "The same as the public." When told some residents felt East Hawaii continuously gets the lion's share of monies toward projects, he said, "If you look at the STIP, comments like that are not valid and erroneous."

For more information about STIP or next week's meetings, call the Highway Planning Branch at 587-6355.

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Aug. 10, Kihei Elementary School cafeteria.

Aug. 11, West Maui Senior Center.

Aug. 12, state Department of Transportation, Highways Division, Maui District Conference Room, 650 Palapala Dr., Kahului.

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Lava has advanced to less than 100 feet from a home in Kalapana, according to reports received by Hawaii County Civil Defense Administrator Quince Mento.

Lava has been moving along Highway 137 and advanced 260 feet yesterday from Thursday, said spokeswoman Janet Babb of the U.S. Geological Survey's Hawaiian Volcano Observatory. But "the eastward movement has slowed down as the week has progressed," Babb said.

Although the eastward flow has been south of the house under threat for the past few days, "the house is not completely out of jeopardy because of a small active flow north of it," Babb said.

## Highway projects focus of meetings

The state Department of Transportation will conduct a second round of meetings on Hawaii island to discuss state and county transportation projects to be paid for with federal highway funds.

Survey results from the first round of meetings on the Draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program for fiscal years 2011 to 2014 will be shared. All of these meetings begin at 6 p.m.

- » Monday: Hilo State Office Building, Conference Rooms A, B and C
- » Tuesday: Keaau Community Center
- » Wednesday: Waimea Civic Center State Office Building Conference Room
- » Thursday: Kealahou Intermediate School cafeteria

## Help sought for 16 horses

**LIHUE** » Kauai Humane Society says it needs help caring for 16 horses rescued in May.

The horses were reported to be emaciated and dehydrated when they were seized from a 150-acre pasture leased to Lara Butler-Brady by the state Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Society Executive Director Rebecca Rhoades said this week that Butler-Brady has pleaded not guilty to 16 counts of misdemeanor animal cruelty. Trial is set for Oct. 4.

Rhoades says the horses are now doing well. She calculates feeding and caring for each horse costs between \$200 and \$300 a month.

## Crash did not kill driver

An autopsy determined that injuries a man suffered when his car crashed in Kihei Monday were not the cause of his death, Maui police said.

Terry Eoff, 58, of Kihei, was driving on Kilohana Drive at about 5:50 p.m. when his sedan hit a utility pole support wire and overturned. Police did not give a cause of death.

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On average, drivers would pay about \$170 more a year on fuel and vehicle weight taxes and registration fees, generating an estimated \$174 million annually that would be used for projects statewide. This money would help DOT meet its infrastructure and safety goals sooner, Highways Administrator Edwin Sniffen said during the agency's meeting on the latest draft of the 2011-14 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The DOT is drafting its STIP, which prioritizes federal, state and county projects and how federal highway and transit funds will be allocated over a four-year period. Expected federal highway funding levels, based on historic trends, for the state are \$160 million in 2011, \$165 million in 2012, \$170 million in 2013 and \$175 million in 2014.

Walter Kunitake, a member of the Saddle Road Task Force, said he felt "happy and fortunate" residents chose to rank projects relating to Saddle Road as high priorities.

He applauded the millions of federal and local funds for construction listed to be spent on Saddle Road improvements in 2012-15. This money will be used for the widening or realigning the existing road from mile marker 42 to Mamalahoa Highway. It also includes grading and paving the road between mile markers 6 and 11.

With "the positive momentum" surrounding the current Saddle Road realignment

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and its ongoing progress, Kunitake encouraged DOT to move the funding for design of the Saddle Road extension project earlier in the STIP -- from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2012 or 2013. The Saddle Road extension project would create a new roadway or realign and extend the road from its Hilo terminus to Queen Kaahumanu Highway.

Attendees like Margaret Wille were pleased to see the Kawaihae bypass road overwhelming ranked as the top priority with 41 votes. The road would be a two-lane alternate route from Waimea to Kawaihae, connecting the proposed Waimea bypass to Queen Kaahumanu Highway.

Wille asked the public's yet-to-be-answered question: Where exactly will this 5-mile-long phase begin? She also requested more information regarding the road's alignment.

Sniffen explained design for the road would begin after DOT gets the needed environmental clearances, anticipated to be finished mid-2011.

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## \$27M in road projects planned

County work expected over next two years

August 13, 2010 - By CLAUDINE SAN NICOLAS, Staff Writer

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LAHAINA - Approximately \$27 million worth of state road projects are planned for the next two years in Maui County, according to a revised plan revealed in a public meeting Wednesday night in Lahaina.

"We're going to do the best we can with the best interest of the public in mind," state Department of Transportation Highways Administrator Ed Sniffen told a crowd of about a dozen people attending the meeting at the West Maui Senior Center.

The hearing was held to discuss priorities in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, whose goal is to identify and prioritize state transportation projects for federal funding.

Although a continuation of a portion of the Lahaina bypass from Hokiokio Place to its southern terminus in Olowalu was deemed a high priority in a public survey, the project carrying a construction price tag of about \$70 million was deferred by state planners.

Sniffen explained that his staff decided to focus on a more realistic expenditure of \$500,000 this year and next on the design of another portion of the bypass that involves the widening and realignment of the Keawe Street extension to Kaanapali.

Department staff members will oversee design for that project, he said. Construction funds have not been budgeted at least through 2015.

Sniffen said decisions on which state road projects would get funded in the next four years depended on a number of factors, including public input, funding, state and county government priorities, and assessments of the design and construction difficulties of the project.

Overall, the state Department of Transportation expects to receive approximately \$160 million in federal highway funding for fiscal year 2011, which starts in October. In 2012, it anticipates getting \$165 million; \$170 million in 2013; and \$175 million in 2014. The federal government's fiscal year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.

Of the \$160 million for federally funded road projects in fiscal year 2011, the state plans to spend about 60 percent on Oahu, 20 percent in Maui County and 10 percent each on the Big Island and Kauai.

Sniffen said state and county officials identified up to \$1.7 billion in road projects across Hawaii, which had to be trimmed as much as \$600 million.

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