Public Information Meeting for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Chapter 343 Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Section 106 Consultation under National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), and Noise Variance Consultation



State of Hawaii Department of Transportation Highways Division

March 18, 2015 Nuuanu Elementary School

Purpose Of This Meeting



- Inform the Community about the project scope and schedule
- * Consult with the Community for
 - NEPA and Chapter 343, HRS
 - Section 106 under NHPA
 - Noise Variance



- * Proposed Project Overview
- * NEPA and Chapter 343 HRS Consultation
- Section 106 Consultation under NHPA
- Noise Variance Consultation
- * Public Comments

Proposed Project Overview Project Purpose and Need

- Resurfacing weakened pavement
- Replacing and upgrading safety features
- Upgrade highway lighting to shielded LED lights



Proposed Project Overview Proposed Phases

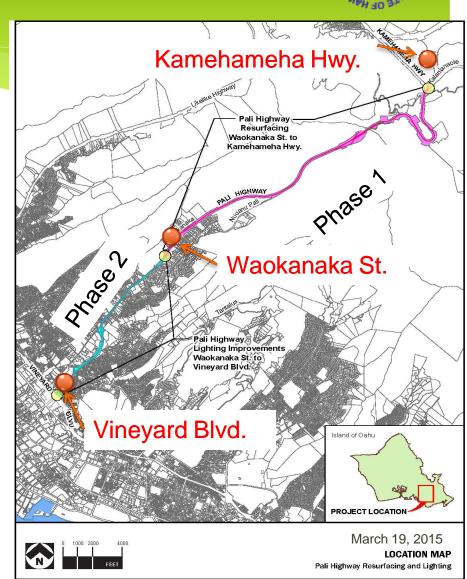
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Phase 1:

Resurfacing Waokanaka St. to Kamehameha Hwy. and Lighting Replacement, Vineyard Blvd. to Kamehameha Hwy. 7.68 miles, \$44 million

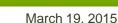
Phase 2:

Resurfacing Vineyard Blvd. to Waokanaka St. 2.64 miles, \$18 million



Proposed Project Overview Phase 1 Scope of Work

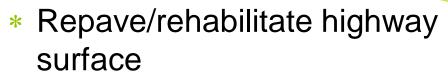
- Repave/rehabilitate highway surface
- Replace signs and pavement markings
- Construct median barrier in some locations
- Replace guardrails and crash cushions
- * Install new guardrails
- * Replace highway lighting







Proposed Project Overview Phase 2 Scope of Work



- * Repair sidewalk
- Adjust manholes and covers
- Replace signs and pavement markings
- Install bridge rails
- Install curb ramps
- Replace guardrail and end treatments





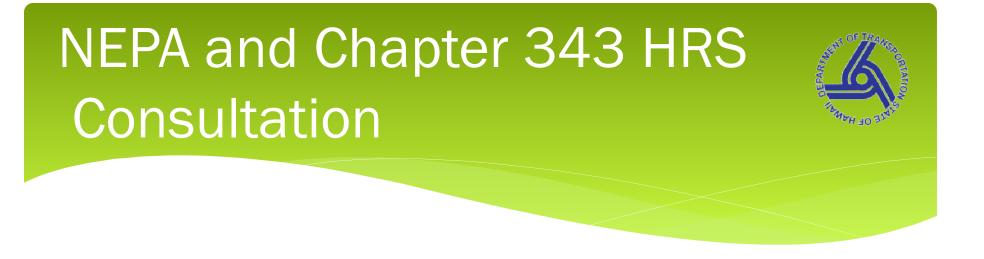
Proposed Project Overview Proposed Project Schedule

- * Public information meeting: March 18, 2015
- FHWA render determinations of effects on historic properties
- Finalize environmental documentations
- Finalize construction plans and design
- Phase1 construction plans and permitting completed by end of Summer 2015





- * Phase1 construction estimated to end in Spring 2018
- * Phase 2 construction estimated to start in Fall 2017
- * Phase 2 construction estimated to end in Fall 2018



- * Both Federal and State money would fund this project
- * Must comply with the following Federal and State laws
 - NEPA
 - Chapter 343, HRS
- * Request comments from the Community this project



- Requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties
- * Related State requirement is HRS Chapter 6E
- * Section 106 is a consultation process
 - * Requires consultation with NHOs
 - * Other Stakeholders



- * Worked with SHPD to determine the APE of this project
- Consultation letters were sent in Feb. 2015 requesting Section 106 comments
- Newspaper ad published in *Honolulu Star Advertiser* on March 1, 2015
- Newspaper ad will be published in the April edition of the Ka Wai Ola

Section 106 Consultation



- * Steps involved:
 - 1. Initiate the process by inviting parties to consult *(we are at this step)*
 - 2. Identify and evaluate historic properties
 - 3. Assess effects, if any
 - 4. Resolve adverse effects, if any

We are requesting comments from the Community on the historical and cultural sites in the project area

Noise Variance Consultation Noise Regulations



 HAR Title 11, Chapter 46 sets the rules and restrictions on sound levels for construction projects. It states:

"No permit shall allow any construction activities which emit noise:

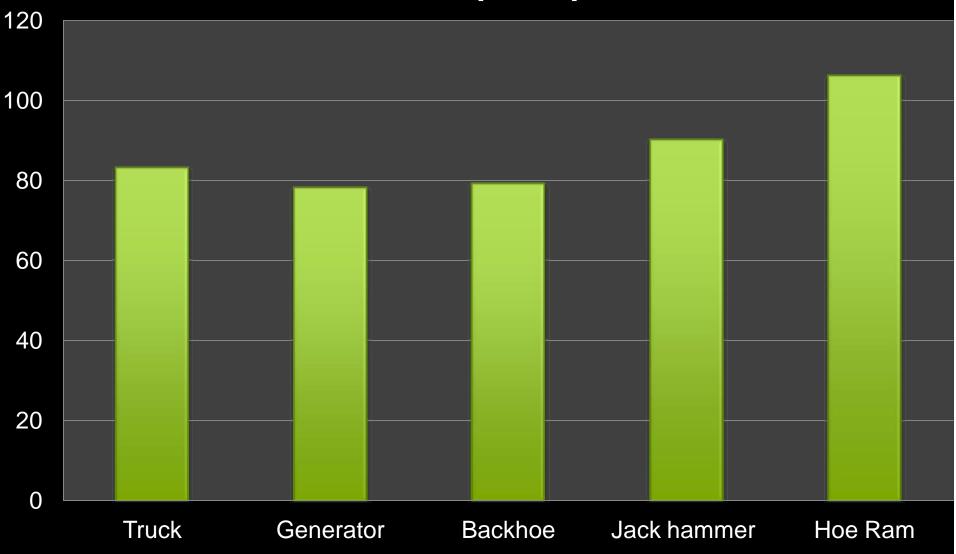
- * Monday thru Friday before 7 a.m. and after 6 p.m. of the same day
- * Saturday before 9 a.m. and after 6 p.m.
- * Sundays and on Holidays"
- A Noise Variance must be obtained for any construction activities to occur outside the permissible hours (i.e. after 6 p.m. weekdays).

Noise Variance Consultation Proposed Noise Variance



- Noise Variance Application for Phase 1 construction from Waokanaka Street to Kamehameha Highway submitted to DOH
- Request work be allowed 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, for 2 years
- Anticipate most of the work occurring during the day, but night work maybe required for paving
- Will work with Contractor to decide on the least impactful schedule to Community

Construction Equipment Noise Level (dBA) at 50 feet





- Flyers with contact information (hot line) will be sent prior to start construction
- Contractor will maintain a website that will be updated with construction information at least every two weeks
- All equipment with an exhaust of gas or air will be equipped with mufflers



- HDOT field personnel and the Contractor will monitor all equipment and construction activities on the job site
- Instructional meetings will be held for construction crews and truck drivers
- * The Contractor will have a corrective action program

Public Comment



* What are your comments for this project regarding

- Noise Variance (construction at night)
- Section 106 (historical and cultural sites)
- Chapter 343 and NEPA (comment about this project)
- Make comments here tonight or take home a comment form and mail it to us on or before
 April 18, 2015.

Public Comment



- Please be respectful to those speaking
- Please keep focused on the proposed project
- Welcome comments for Noise Variance first



More Information



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Mahalo

Thank you for your patience as HDOT works to improve our state highways