
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING WORK ON THE H-1 CORRIDOR STUDY TO BE EXPEDITED AND THE STATE AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO EVALUATE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES AND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-SPONSORED PROJECTS IN THE OAHU METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION-APPROVED FY 2011-2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO ADDRESS TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE AIEA-RED HILL-MOANALUA-SALT LAKE AREA.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's citizens and businesses rely on a viable
2 roadway system for mobility and economic prosperity; and
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4 WHEREAS, the 2015 TomTom Traffic Index ranked Honolulu as
5 the third most congested city in the United States with a 32
6 percent congestion level, behind only San Francisco at 34
7 percent and Los Angeles at 39 per cent; and
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9 WHEREAS, significant factors and conditions that exacerbate
10 traffic in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake areas include:
11 the Moanalua, H-1, and H-3 Freeways' exits and entrances, Kaiser
12 Permanente Moanalua Medical Center, Aliamanu Military
13 Reservation, Honolulu International Airport, the Federal
14 Detention Center, The U.S. Postal Service Honolulu District
15 Office, Tripler Army Medical Center, Fort Shafter, Camp Smith,
16 Aloha Stadium, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Ford Island,
17 Pearl Harbor, the Pacific Aviation Museum, the U.S.S. Arizona
18 and Battleship Missouri Memorials, Pearlridge Shopping Center,
19 and several large residential developments; and
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21 WHEREAS, traffic volumes for the Moanalua Freeway west of
22 Kahuapaani Street have ranged between 48,625 and 37,775 vehicles
23 and volumes for the Moanalua Freeway at Moanalua Stream Bridge
24 have ranged between 115,345 and 96,155 vehicles, respectively,
25 over the past 22 years; and



1 WHEREAS, the 2015 American Highway Users Alliance's report
2 "Unclogging America's Arteries 2015: Prescriptions for Healthier
3 Highways," noted that the H-3 merge at Ala Kapuna Street is a
4 significantly congested bottleneck of national significance,
5 with a queue length of 0.7 miles and an annual total delay of
6 607,100 hours; and
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8 WHEREAS, in 2011, the Oahu Metropolitan Planning
9 Organization (OMPO) published the Congestion Management Process
10 Report, which lays out projects planned by OMPO to alleviate
11 traffic congestion throughout the island of Oahu as part of its
12 Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) 2035 project; and
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14 WHEREAS, the comprehensive Congestion Management Process
15 Report identified the following ORTP funded projects to improve
16 traffic congestion conditions in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt
17 Lake area: ORTP Project #2 to widen the Interstate Route H-1 by
18 one lane in the eastbound direction, from the Waiawa Interchange
19 to the Halawa Interchange; ORTP Project #12 to widen Salt Lake
20 Boulevard from two lanes to six lanes, between Maluna Street and
21 Ala Lilikoi Street and to widen Puuloa Road from Pukuloa Road to
22 Nimitz Highway; and ORTP Project #27 to extend a PM contra-flow
23 lane westbound from Keehi Interchange to Radford Drive; and
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25 WHEREAS, the State Department of Transportation is in the
26 final stages of its H-1 Corridor Study to identify the causes of
27 congestion along this traffic corridor and to propose solutions
28 for congestion problems along the corridor; now, therefore,
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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
31 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
32 Session of 2016, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
33 Transportation is requested to work with the Department of
34 Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu to
35 expedite work on the Department of Transportation's H-1 Corridor
36 Study and complete the study by June 2016, in order to develop
37 recommendations to address the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake
38 congestion and to enable timely funding of critically needed
39 projects; and



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 2 Transportation and Department of Transportation Services of the
 3 City and County of Honolulu are urged to evaluate the following
 4 traffic management initiatives: ORTP Project #2, ORTP Project
 5 #12, and ORTP Project #27 and their impact on traffic congestion
 6 in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area to determine
 7 whether additional projects are needed to address traffic
 8 congestion in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 11 Transportation and Department of Transportation Services of the
 12 City and County of Honolulu are requested to evaluate how the
 13 following three Department of Transportation-sponsored projects
 14 in the OMPO-approved FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement
 15 Program will help to address traffic congestion in the Aiea-Red
 16 Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area: (1) OS8- Freeway Management
 17 System, Interstate H-1, H-2, and Moanalua Freeway (Routes H-201
 18 and 78), Phase 1C; (2) OS9 - Freeway Management System,
 19 Interstate H-1, H-2, and Moanalua Freeway (Routes H-201 and 78),
 20 Phase 2A; and (3) OS12 - Freeway Management System, Interstate
 21 H-1, H-2, and Moanalua Freeway (Routes H-201 and 78), System
 22 Manager; and
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 25 Transportation, with assistance from the Department of
 26 Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu,
 27 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including
 28 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than
 29 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
 30 2017; and
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 33 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of
 34 Transportation and Director of the Department of Transportation
 35 Services of the City and County of Honolulu.
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