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**H.C.R. 94 / H.R. 55**  
**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.**

House Committee on Transportation

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) offers **comment** to these resolutions requesting that work on the H-1 corridor study be expedited and the State and the City and County of Honolulu evaluate traffic management initiatives and DOT-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.

The DOT feels that these resolutions are not necessary since it is currently working to complete the H-1 Corridor Study by the end of this summer. The DOT is working to complete the study as soon as possible. The H-1 Corridor Study would provide the information requested by this resolution and can be shared once the study is complete.

Additionally, these resolutions cite the 2011 Congestion Management Process Report and identifies a list of projects that are part of the report's recommendations for improving traffic congestion. However, the Congestion Management Process Report does not appear to show any of the projects listed in these resolutions which are said to have been identified to improve traffic congestion.

In addition, these resolutions request the DOT and City evaluate specific projects. The DOT has an existing project development and evaluation process which all projects must follow.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution.

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**HCR94**

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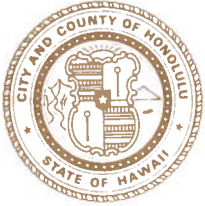
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Michael D. Formby	C&C Dept. Transportation Svcs	Support	No

Comments: The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) is working and coordinating with the Department of Transportation, State of Hawaii, to best address transportation needs and projects aimed at reducing regional traffic congestion.

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March 18, 2016

Representative Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair  
House Committee on Transportation  
415 South Beretania Street, Room 419  
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Re: Testimony in Support of HCR 94 and HR 55

Dear Chair Aquino and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of House Concurrent Resolution ("HCR") 94 and House Resolution ("HR") 55, respectively requesting work on the H-1 Corridor Study to be expedited and the State and City and County of Honolulu to evaluate traffic management initiatives and Department of Transportation sponsored projects in the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization approved FY2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program to address traffic congestion in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area.

As the Honolulu City Councilmember representing this gridlocked area delineated in these resolutions, I can attest that traffic congestion is the most burdensome problems our constituents face in this area. It subjects residents to increased travel time, increased fuel costs, and a significant loss of quality of life. The inadequate infrastructure of the H-1 in this area is specifically highlighted in the 2015 American Highway Users Alliance's Report, which indicates that the Moanalua Freeway (at Ala Kapuna St) has one of the greatest amounts of congestion in the State, with annual delays totaling 607,100 hours. The Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area hosts thousands of Central and Leeward Oahu commuters, as well as those traveling in from Windward Oahu, demonstrating the significant and disproportionate burden the area shoulders and the crucial need for infrastructure improvements.

I encourage the House Committee on Transportation to act favorably on HCR 94 and HR 55, respectively; and to support any additional measures addressing similar issues during this year's legislative session. Mahalo for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carol Fukunaga".

Councilmember/Carol Fukunaga  
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Rodney S. Moriyama	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a resident of Moanalua Village for over 20 years and watching as construction expand further with more residences, and more business buildings, without a comprehensive plan to address the additional traffic congestion, parking, educational facilities, and safe access for emergency vehicles, I strongly urge that this concurrent resolution is approved. It is essential that traffic coordination between the state and county transportation authorities collaborate and solve these current issues. All further construction should be halted before positive measures are implemented. Thank you for your kind consideration.

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HCR 94

I have been a resident of Moanalua Village since 1998 and one thing that has drastically changed over those years is traffic around Red Hill area and it has been getting worse every year. In the mornings, there is gridlock on Ala Kapuna St. and on both side of freeway bridge as commuters from Coast Guard housing, Moanalua Hillside apartments, Moanalua Village complex, Aliamanu Military Reservation, and parents dropping off their children at Red Hill Elementary School all pass through this small piece real estate. Then in the afternoon, we have long line of cars on Moanalua Road to about Kaiser Moanalua Medical Center as people are returning to their homes in Red Hill Area. In the midst of this afternoon gridlock on Moanalua Road is westbound commuters who uses Moanalua Road to avoid just as bad gridlock on H201. The traffic in Red Hill area is very bad during morning and afternoon rush hours and, as mentioned earlier, it is getting worse every year. However, to build additional 490 units (with additional 500 stalls) in Moanalua Hillside Apartments with potentially additional 700 more cars (many tenants will have more than 1 car) will be a catastrophe. Residents of Red Hill area have no other ingress or egress route. We all have to pass through Ala Kapuna St. and Moanalua Road intersection which is already beyond capacity during morning and afternoon rush hours. Additionally, every night I find at least 10 illegally parked cars in short section of Moanalualani Place. If the contractor demolishes the existing parking area to build first tower, where are those cars going to be parking at night for many months? This question was asked in our last community meeting at Moanalua High School cafeteria and they had no answer. Is Douglas Emmett expecting them to find parking in Moanalua Valley or Salt Lake area?

My request is to delay the phase 1 construction until City and State can collaborate and install the traffic mitigation plan for the Red Hill area. If construction is permitted to commence, Red Hill area during morning and afternoon rush hours will become a crisis which City and State will now be forced to address and mitigate. Hopefully, this will be one of those few cases were City and State collaborated and addressed the issue before it became a crisis.

Thank you for allowing me to express my support for House Resolution HCR 94.

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Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha kakou, While I support the bulk of this Resolution, I must note that the DAILY TRAFFIC ON THE LEEWARD COAST, STARTING FROM KAPOLEI FAR EXCEEDS THAT EXPERIENCED ON SALT LAKE BOULEVARD (ORTP Project #12 to widen Salt Lake Boulevard from two lanes to six lanes). Our 3-lane east bound traffic gets closer and closer to Wai'anae on an annual basis. On a weekly basis it comes back to Kualaka'i and Makakilo Drive. Our 2 and 3-lane west bound traffic gets farther and farther away from Wai'anae. On a weekly basis backing up to Kalaeloa Drive and Makakalo Drive. If you could amend this Resolution to include expanding our H1 and Farrington Highway lanes, I could support these resolutions wholeheartedly. If not, based on our weekly delays, I respectfully oppose this and HR 55. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify in OPPOSITION TO HCR 94 & HR 55. Mahalo, Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai

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