

Input Sought on Transportation Improvement Program Revisions

Received from West Hawai'i Today 02/05/2015:

“The State Department of Transportation is providing an opportunity for the public to submit comments on the proposed Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) revision No. 1 for the federal fiscal year 2015 to 2018. The document identifies projects to be programmed for federal highway or transit funding and can be found at hidot.hawaii.gov/highways/revisions-for-2015-2018-2-stip. Comments may be sent to and hard copies of the proposed STIP may be obtained by calling 587-6355, emailing hwy.stip.projects@hawaii.gov, sending a fax to 587-1787 or by contacting Highway Planning Branch, 869 Punchbowl St., Room 301, Honolulu, HI 96813. Comments will be accepted until Monday.”

What is STIP?

The Hawai'i Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) provides a multi-year listing of the State and County projects and identifies those projects slated for federal funding. It is a multi-modal transportation improvement program that is developed utilizing existing transportation plans and policies, and current highway, transit, and transportation programming processes. The STIP delineates the funding categories and the federal and local share required for each project.

Representative Evans Requests Your Support

As the Representative for North Kohala, South Kohala, and North Kona, I am asking for your support to provide comments regarding the Kawaihae bypass and the intersection of Kawaihae Road and Queen Kaahumanu Highway. Address your comments to Mr. Edwin Sniffen who is the Department of Transportation's Highways Division Deputy Director to voice your opinion on the importance of traffic safety especially with the increase of traffic in North Hawai'i. It is really important that our community is heard. If there are any other areas of the highways on the Big Island that concern you, please let me know. I have highlighted these two projects which have been a community priority for several years.

Comments on STIP Revision #1 will be accepted until **February 9, 2015** by mail, fax, or email to:

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