NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION

Kea'au-Pāhoa Road Intersection Improvements at Old Government Road

Notice is hereby given that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and State of Hawaii Department of Transportation, Highways Division (HDOT), proposes to perform improvements to Kea'au-Pāhoa Road intersection at Old Government Road. The intent of the project is to improve traffic operations and safety by converting the existing T-Intersection into a single-lane modern roundabout. The Section 106 area of potential effect (APE) is proposed to be the entire right-of-way (ROW) of Kea'au-Pāhoa in the project area.

The work includes converting the existing T-intersection into a single-lane roundabout (center island, truck apron and circular path); pavement reconstruction; slope reinforcement; landscaping improvements; electrical conduits and street lights; drainage improvements; underdrain installation; ADA compliant curb ramps and sidewalks; chain link fences and guardrails; signage and striping; and adjustment and relocation of various utilities, as necessary. The project also involves construction for a temporary detour and work zone traffic control during the construction. The total construction time for the work is estimated to be twelve (12) months.

HDOT will conduct a Public Informational Meeting to introduce the project and gather community input. The meeting will occur Wednesday, January 16, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Pahoa Neighborhood Facility located at 15-3022 Kauhale Street, Pahoa HI 96778. For more information or to request language interpretation, an auxiliary aid or service (i.e., sign language interpreter, accessible parking, or materials in alternative format), please contact Steven Yoshida, Highways Division, by phone at (808) 692-7682 or by email at steven.yoshida@hawaii.gov, seven (7) days prior to the meeting date. TTY users may use TRS to contact our DOT office.

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (2006) (Section 106), Native Hawaiian Organizations and Native Hawaiian descendants with ancestral lineal or cultural ties to, cultural knowledge or concerns for, and cultural or religious attachment to the proposed project area are requested to contact Steven Yoshida via email at steven.yoshida@hawaii.gov, or by US Postal Service to Department of Transportation, Traffic Branch, Traffic Design Section, Highways Division, 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 602, Kapolei, Hawaii 96707. Please respond by January 30, 2013.

