AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE ISLAND OF OAHU

This agreement is made and entered into on <u>June 17</u>, 2015, by the State of Hawaii ("State"), by its Governor of the State of Hawaii, and the City and County of Honolulu ("City"), by its Chairperson of the City Council of the City and County of Honolulu.

WHEREAS, 23 United States Code § 134(d)(1)(A) and 49 United States Code § 5303(d)(1)(A) authorize the designation of a Metropolitan Planning Organization ("MPO") for urbanized areas with a population of more than 50,000 individuals by an agreement between the Governor and units of general purpose local government that together represent at least 75 percent of the affected population;

WHEREAS, the island of Oahu, which includes the urbanized areas of Kailua-Kaneohe and Honolulu, meets the criteria necessary to establish an MPO because it serves an area greater than 200,000 people;

WHEREAS, the State and City desire to establish a MPO for the island of Oahu pursuant to this agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties mutually agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Establishment</u>. Pursuant to 23 USC § 134(d)(1)(A), 49 USC § 5303(d)(1)(A), and 23 CFR § 450.310(b), effective July 1, 2015 the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization ("OahuMPO"), as established herein, is hereby designated the MPO for the Oahu Transportation Management Area.
- 2. <u>Policy Board</u>. The governance of the OahuMPO shall be vested in the OahuMPO Policy Board ("Policy Board"). The Policy Board shall be composed of eleven (11) members all of whom must be registered voters within, and permanent residents of, the island of Oahu. Each member of the Policy Board shall be entitled to vote on matters related to OahuMPO, and these members shall include:
 - (a) The director of the Hawaii Department of Transportation or any successor department thereof with primary responsibility for statewide transportation project implementation;
 - (b) The director of the City's Department of Transportation Services

- or any successor department thereof with the primary responsibility for transportation services and transportation project implementation on Oahu;
- (c) The Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation or any successor agency thereof with primary responsibility for operating rail transit on Oahu;
- (d) The director of the City's Department of Planning and Permitting, or any successor agency thereof with primary responsibility for land use planning on Oahu;
- (e) Three (3) members of the Honolulu City Council:
 - a. One member shall be the Committee on Transportation
 Chair, who is picked by the Council Chair;
 - b. One member shall be the Committee on Transportation Vice-Chair, who is picked by the Council Chair;
 - c. One member shall be chosen by the Council Chair from among the remaining Council members;
- (f) Two (2) members of the Senate, who shall be:
 - a. appointed by the Senate President, and
- (g) Two (2) members of the House of Representatives, who shall be:
 - a. appointed by the Speaker of the House, and

The Policy Board Chair and Policy Board Vice-Chair shall be elected from among those Policy Board members who are elected officials of either the State or the City, as identified in (e) - (g) above.

Policy Board decisions shall be made by a majority vote of the members present at a properly noticed meeting at which a quorum is present. Six voting members shall constitute a quorum. The Policy Board Chair shall be authorized to execute agreements on behalf of OahuMPO.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the State, by its Governor, and the City, by its Chairperson of the City Council, have executed this agreement to be effective as of July 1, 2015.

STATE OF HAWAII

By

Its Governor
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU By Its Presiding Officer and Chair of the City Council of the City and County of Honolulu
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Deputy Attorney General

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel
KATHLEEN A. KELLY