



Memorandum

To: Policy Board Members
From: Alvin Au, Executive Director
Date: January 26, 2021

Executive Director's Report

Accomplishments and Progress

OahuMPO's Annual Report was submitted to the State Legislature, Federal Highway Administration, and Federal Transit Administration on December 22, 2020. The Annual Report provides updates on all work elements funded by OahuMPO. The OahuMPO Annual Report may be viewed at: https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=2095

The Annual Obligation Report for FFY2020 (October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020), listing the projects for which federal funds were obligated in the previous federal fiscal year, was completed, and is available on OahuMPO's website at: https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=2093

The draft list of proposed studies OahuMPO has received from various implementing agencies for the FY2022 Overall Work Program was included in the meeting materials mailing sent on January 15th for your information. Proposals were also discussed in an inter-agency meeting. The intergovernmental review draft of the FY2022 OWP is scheduled to be included on the Policy Board's February meeting agenda.

OahuMPO sent a revised Finance Supplemental Agreement for review to the State Attorney General and the City Office of Corporation Counsel with copies to the Directors of DTS, HART, and HDOT. This revision changes the effective date to July 1, 2021. There will be no increase in dues. When we receive the approvals as to form, it will be presented to the DTS Director for approval by the City Council, the HDOT Director who represents the Governor, the HART Executive Officer on behalf of its Board of Directors, and the Chair of the Policy Board.

OahuMPO is doing a Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Call for Projects for Federal Fiscal Years 2021-2024. The application deadline is February 22, 2021. For more information about the TA and its eligibility requirements, please visit our website here:

<https://www.oahumpo.org/plans-and-programs/transportation-alternatives-ta-set-aside/>

OahuMPO has received applications for DTS short-range projects and programs for consideration for funding in the 2045 Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP). Staff have conducted an evaluation of the two new projects and will be presenting an overview of all projects and will discuss in more detail the two new projects at today's meeting.

OahuMPO staff have met with their revenue forecast working groups in December and January, to finalize its revenue forecast for the 2045 ORTP. The final draft revenue forecast will be presented at the February committee and Policy Board meetings. The revenue forecast will help to determine how much reasonable transportation revenue can be expected and will help to financially constrain the list of projects and programs in the 2045 ORTP.

OahuMPO staff sought feedback on the 2045 ORTP Chapter 2: Our Vision and Goals from its ORTP working group. Feedback was incorporated into the draft chapter and sent to our graphic designer. A preview of the designed chapter will be provided in a future Executive Director's report. A similar request for feedback has been sent to the working group for Chapter 1: Introduction.

OahuMPO hosted a Simplified Trips-on-Project Software (STOPS) model training with our consultant and included staff from other agencies. The STOPS model is a travel model that helps to evaluate and rate proposed major transit projects, by looking at things like the predicted number of transit trips generated and the predicted change in automobile vehicle miles travelled.

OahuMPO hosted its first virtual panel discussion cohosted by City Councilmember Brandon Elefante and project sponsor agencies to hear questions and concerns from participants on projects and programs in the 2045 Oahu Regional Transportation Plan proposed for funding. OahuMPO staff have decided to shift its focus from virtual panels with City Councilmembers to making announcements at neighborhood board meetings to gather feedback about proposed projects and programs.

Announcements made at these meetings include the request for board members to complete and share a survey that can be found here:

<https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/db2c419b4e844267a0cd10ca1a73c0d2>

and to assist in identifying locations for safety, congestion, resilience, and maintenance improvements, here:

<https://uhm.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=b27bfba943414aba9b30e2aec27798d5>

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

The TAC met on January 8, 2021 and received the OahuMPO staff presentations on the 2045 Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) Short-Range DTS Project and Program Submissions, Evaluation and Scoring; 2020 Congestion Management Process Report and recommended the Policy Board approve; and the 2045 ORTP Existing and Forecasted Conditions Chapter Preview.

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

The CAC met on January 6, 2020, received the OahuMPO staff presentations on the 2045 ORTP Short-Range DTS Project and Program Submissions, Evaluation and Scoring; the Congestion Management Process Report, and the ORTP 2045 Existing and Forecasted Conditions Chapter Preview. The CAC also elected a new Chair and Vice Chair. The new CAC Chair is Chace Shigemasa and the new Vice Chair is Ken Farm.