



Memorandum

To: Technical Advisory Committee Members

From: Mark Garrity, Executive Director

Date: July 8, 2022

Executive Director's Report

2022 Federal Certification Review

The FHWA and FTA Federal Certification Team will be in Honolulu the week of July 11-15 to perform a Federal Certification Review of OahuMPO. Every four years, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5303(k), the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) must certify that each metropolitan planning organization (MPO) serving a transportation management area (TMA) is carrying out the metropolitan planning process in adherence with federal statutes and regulations. The Oahu MPO's last Certification Review was performed in 2018.

The Certification Review Team will be holding interviews with the three implementing agencies, the Chair and Vice Chair of the Technical Advisory Committee, and the Chair of the Policy Board. FHWA also made a presentation on the topic to the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) at their July 6 meeting.

Procurement

A contract has been signed and executed with Caliper Corporation to support the Travel Demand Forecasting Model (TDFM), and Project Assignment Orders (PAO) have been prepared and approved, giving them the green light to proceed with their work.

The 2050 Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) consultant evaluation committee met and made a recommendation regarding the choice of consultants to support the ORTP development process. We hope to have a consultant on board sometime this summer.

Finance Supplemental Agreement

The updated version of the Finance Supplemental Agreement was signed by all member agencies in June and went into effect on July 1. This new agreement will be the basis for the FY2023 annual dues, and a copy of the agreement will be included with bills to be sent out later this month.

Public Outreach

On June 18, OahuMPO Transportation Planner, Samantha Lara, accompanied FHWA staff to the Malama Makers Market in Haleiwa to conduct public outreach. FHWA is seeking public input on

transportation planning on Oahu, particularly how the community receives information, participates in efforts, and submits suggestions to transportation agencies. Ms. Lara participated in the outreach booth at the market to respond to any community inquiries about OahuMPO.

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

The CAC met on July 6. They received a presentation from representatives of the FTA and FHWA regarding the upcoming TMA Certification Review.

The next CAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 3 at 2:00 p.m.

Policy Board (PB)

The OahuMPO Policy Board met on June 28 and received presentations on the Transportation Improvement Program FFYs 2022-2025 Revisions #5 and #6 and voted to approve the documents. They also received presentations on a proposed grant application under the federal Safe Streets and Roads for All program, and on the status of a new 5-year Strategic Plan for the Oahu MPO.

The next Policy Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 26 at 1:00 p.m.

Personnel and Training

OahuMPO is currently seeking to fill its vacant planner positions. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please ask them to reach out to me at mark.garrity@oahumpo.org or call 808-586-2308.