To: Policy Board Members

From: Mark Garrity, Executive Director

Date: July 25, 2023

Executive Director’s Report

Hawaii MPO Federal Planning Funds Distribution Agreement
This agreement dictates the amount of federal planning funds each of the two MPOs in Hawaii receive annually and is based on an agreed formula based on population. The agreement has been updated based on results of the 2020 census and signed by all parties. Please see a copy of the agreement attached to this report.

Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) 2050 – Community Engagement
Public outreach for the ORTP 2050 will be kicking off at the North Shore Emergency Preparedness Event and Craft Fair in Waialua Saturday, July 29th. Samantha Lara from the MPO will be accompanying the PBR consultant team to raise awareness about the ORTP 2050, the role of the MPO, and the importance of transportation planning. The intention is to raise awareness and gather feedback from the community about the proposed vision and goals of the ORTP 2050.

2023 Hawaii Commute Challenge: Go Multimodal
Registration for the 2023 Hawaii Commute Challenge: Go Multimodal is now open. The Challenge is set to begin August 1, 2023. This month-long event will encourage people to experience the wide variety of transportation options Hawaii has to offer. Participants will walk, bike, bus, carpool, or utilize public transportation on any trip to earn points, complete challenges, and compete for fun prizes. Anyone can participate in this statewide challenge, so please sign up and encourage your friends, family, and constituents to participate! Link to register is here: https://bit.ly/3PCzugH!

Personnel and Training
On July 3, OahuMPO staff participated in a tour of the new rail system. We rode the “A Express” bus from downtown to Aloha Stadium and then rode the new Skyline service out to East Kapolei and back. The bus-rail connection was easy and smooth, and the whole trip was faster than expected.

2023 Transportation Project Management Training Program
The next session of the Transportation Project Management Training Program is scheduled for this Friday, July 28. The session will focus on construction related issues and will include speakers from FHWA, the State DOT, and others. We are also
preparing for the upcoming mobile workshop to be held October 2-5 in Seattle and Portland. We will be visiting various project sites and meeting with project managers and City and State officials involved in project development.

**Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)**
The CAC met on July 5. With the resignation of Jo Jordan, Katie Rooney became the new Chair of CAC. They held elections for a new vice-Chair and voted to elect Adriel Lam for the position.

They received a presentation on TIP FFY2023-2025 Revision 15 and voted to recommend the Policy Board approve the revision.

Their next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 2 at 2:30 p.m.

**Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)**
The TAC met on July 14 and received a presentation on TIP FFY2023-2025 Revision 15. They voted to recommend the Policy Board approve the revision.

They also received an update on the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan 2050 Vision, Goals, and Objectives, and Review of Recent Plans and Policy Documents. This was followed by an open discussion and opportunity for input and questions.

Their next meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 11 at 9:00 a.m.
Hawaii MPOs Federal Planning Funds Distribution Formula Agreement

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the State of Hawaii Department of Transportation, hereinafter referred to as the "State", the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, hereinafter referred to as "Oahu MPO", and the Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization, hereinafter referred to as "Maui MPO", collectively referred to as the "Parties".

The following Planning Funds Distribution formula (the "Formula") shall be used to distribute Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Metropolitan Planning (PL) funds and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 planning funds to Hawaii's Metropolitan Planning Organizations.

In consideration of the forgoing, the Parties agree as follows:

1. The Formula shall subtract $300,000 from the total amount of new FTA 5303 funds, and distribute $150,000 to each of the two MPOs. The remaining balance of new FTA 5303 funds, together with the new FHWA PL funds, shall be distributed according to the 2020 Census Urbanized Area Population of each of the two MPOs.

2. Based on the 2020 Census:
   The current Urbanized Area populations in Hawaii are:
   • Oahu MPO = 999,341
   • Maui MPO = 129,486
   The percentage split calculates to:
   • Oahu MPO = 88.53%
   • Maui MPO = 11.47%

   The below table shows the calculation of federal funds each MPO would receive using the actual FFY23 apportionment for FHWA and FTA funds:

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<td>Maui MPO</td>
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<td>150,000 + (($620,886-$300,000) *</td>
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3. Funding distributed by the Formula, but which is not obligated, shall be reserved for use by the MPO to which it was distributed, until such time as the federal obligation authority for those funds expires. Any deobligated FTA 5303 or FHWA PL funding
from previous years shall be similarly reserved for use by the MPO to which the funds were originally distributed, subject to the federal obligation authority time limit.

4. Any FHWA PL or FTA 5303 funds more three years old (measured from the date federal spending authority is granted), whether obligated or unobligated, will be subject to review by the State to ensure the funds will be spent in a timely fashion. If timely expenditure assurances cannot be made, the funds may be made available to any other MPO in Hawaii.

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. The Parties agree that they may utilize and shall be bound by their electronic signatures, pursuant to Chapter 489E, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

This Agreement shall be effective August 1, 2023 and shall expire on August 1, 2033 unless amended in writing by the Parties hereto.

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Hawaii MPOs Federal Planning Funds
Distribution Formula Agreement

Jun 21, 2023
Date

Jul 7, 2023
Date

July 7, 2023
Date

Approved as to form:

Marjorie Lau
Hawaii Department of Transportation
Deputy Attorney General

Jun 20, 2023
Date

Approved as to form and legality:

/s/ Michael J. Hopper
Maui Deputy Corporation Counsel

7/5/23
Date