

## The Senate

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## Senator Kahele Hosts Transportation Forum

PAHOA, BIG ISLAND -- Senator Gilbert Kahele will be hosting a transportation forum **on Thursday**, **December 1, 2011, beginning at 6 p.m.** It will take place at the **Pahoa Neighborhood Facility (15-2710 Kauhale Road).** The forum will feature Sal Panem, Hawai'i Island District Engineer from the State Department of Transportation. He is expected to give a comprehensive report, including both short and long term timelines on Highway 130 projects.

"Addressing constituents' issues and concerns relating to Highway 130 is one of my top priorities in Puna. Based on the feedback from the Transportation Town Hall meeting I hosted in September, another meeting is needed to discuss projects regarding the highway," said Senator Kahele, who represents District 2 on the Big Island. "I urge everyone in Puna to attend the meeting in order to keep abreast of the construction work on this major artery," Senator Kahele added.

## **Transportation Forum**

Department of Transportation Update on Highway 130 Thursday, December 1, 2011 6 p.m. Pahoa Neighborhood Facility 15-2710 Kauhale Road