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S.C.R. 50

Requesting the Department of Transportation and Kauai Department of Public Works to conduct a study to identify and recommend methods to alleviate traffic congestion at certain intersections along the Kaumualii Highway.

Senate Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** S.C.R. 50 and offers comments. S.C.R. 50 requests DOT and Kauai Department of Public Works to conduct a study to identify and recommend methods to alleviate traffic congestion at certain intersections along the Kaumualii Highway.

The DOT supports efforts to improve the operations and capacity of its roadways. However, the needs of the State Highway System exceed our available resources. Because of this, the DOT has identified safety and preservation as being the highest priority for funding. Capacity is identified as a need and potential improvements are identified for the Kaumualii Highway corridor in the Kauai Long Range Land Transportation Plan (LRLTP). The recent adoption of legislation increasing the surcharge on rental cars now provides a revenue source to pursue capacity projects. The first capacity project identified on Kauai funded by the new rental car surcharge is Kuhio Highway from Kapule Highway to North Leho Drive. The DOT is currently reviewing priorities identified in the LRLTP to identify additional projects to address congestion and capacity issues. A priority project identified by DOT in the LRLTP is Kaumuali'i Highway from Kalaheo Town to Koloa Road.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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