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#### OahuMPO Initiatives and Updates

- Transportation Project Management Training Program
- Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) 2050
  - Scenario Planning Approach

Community Engagement Efforts



# Transportation Project Management Training Program - Overview

- In 2023, we established a Project Management Training Program to enhance the skills of State and Local government workers involved in federally-funded transportation projects
- 23 U.S.C. 504(e) allows for STBG funds to be used at 100% federal share (no local match required) for workforce development, training, and education
- We use these federal funds to organize and run a monthly training program and an annual mobile workshop
- In 2023, we had 30 participants, 20 of which joined us on the mobile workshop
- In 2024, 40+ people signed up the training program



# Transportation Project Management Training Program - Goals

- Allow the region to bring in more federal transportation funds by increasing the capacity of staff to manage projects
- Enhance the knowledge and skills of government agency staff involved in the planning and design of federally funded transportation projects
- Target public agency staff who are practitioners, project managers, and other personnel supporting project planning, funding, design, and development
- Increase skills and knowledge that will help these professionals manage the challenges of using federal funds, comply with federal regulations, and complete projects on-time and on-budget

# Transportation Project Management Training Program

- Instructors include experienced project managers from Hawaii State DOT, City and County of Honolulu, Federal Highway Administration, peer cities, and private sector
- Group activities, Speaker Panels, Guest speakers from other Cities







# Transportation Project Management Training Program

- 30+ participants in 2023
- Met one full day each month, January to September. Nine all-day sessions.
- Curriculum included:
  - Federal transportation policies and programs
  - Project development process
  - Funding, procurement, contract management
  - Project planning and scheduling
  - Operations, maintenance, evaluation, etc.
- Focus on Safety, Equity, Complete Streets, Sustainability





# Transportation Project Management Training Program – Mobile Workshop

- Two days each in Seattle and Portland
- Met with Project Managers and peers from WSDOT, City of Seattle, ODOT, City of Portland, Oregon Metro (MPO), and others







# Transportation Project Management Training Program – Mobile Workshop



- Viewed and experienced completed federally funded projects in peer locations
- Met with project managers who have successfully implemented federally funded projects
- Asked questions, heard lessons-learned, and received advice from other regions and states





# Transportation Project Management Training Program – Participant Feedback

#### Before and After Surveys were sent to the participants:

- Overall Project Management Training Program
- Mobile Workshop participants

#### Findings:

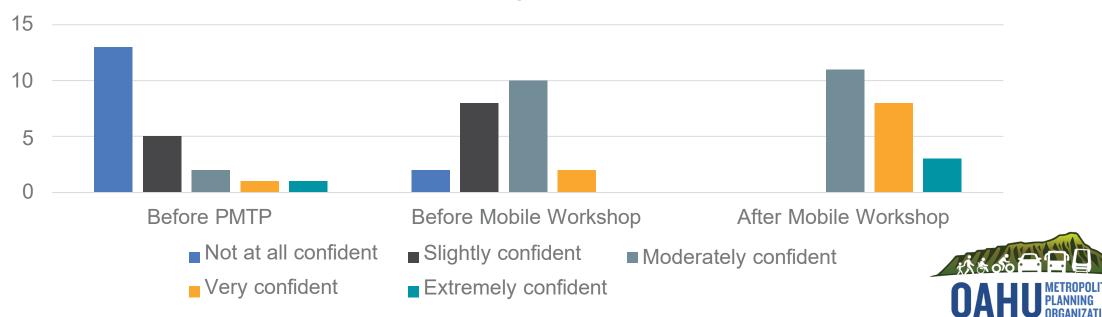
- The Training Program received excellent feedback from participants
- Many respondents stated that they would feel more comfortable using federal funds
- Feel more confident about managing projects
- Some participants learned creative project delivery, procurement, or other methods they can apply to their work



#### Confidence Rises After the Mobile Workshop

How confident are you using federal funds to implement multimodal transportation projects in Hawai'i?						
	Not at all confident	Slightly confident	Moderately confident	Very confident	Extremely confident	
How I felt BEFORE the Training Program started	13	5	2	1	1	
How I felt BEFORE attending the mobile workshop	2	8	10	2	0	
How I felt AFTER attending the mobile workshop	0	0	11	8	3	

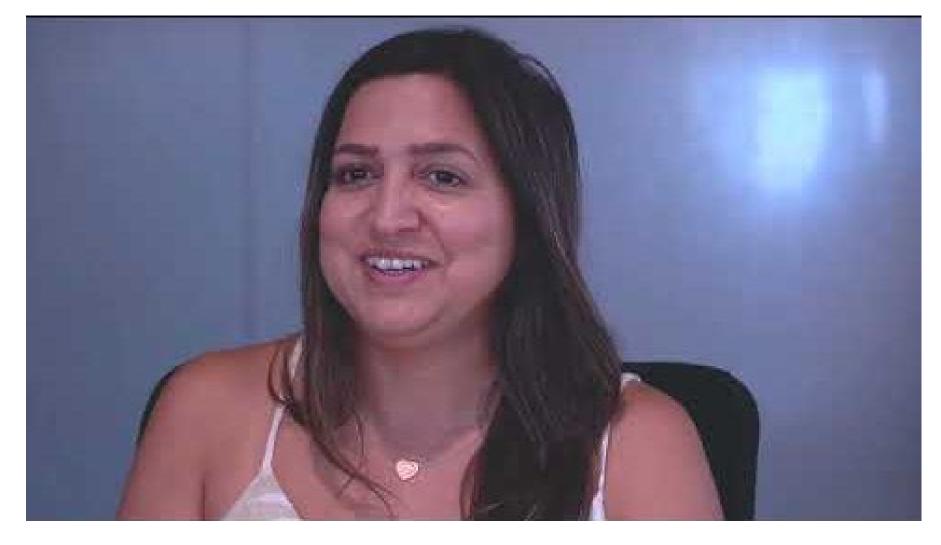
#### How confident are you using federal funds to implement multimodal transportation projects in Hawai'i?



## Transportation PM Training Program Conclusions

- Overall, the program successfully met the goal of increasing capacity and confidence among staff regarding use of federal funds for transportation projects
- The Mobile Workshop was particularly well-received and recommend that all future participants attend this part of the training program
- HDOT Director agreed to transfer \$300K per year of Statewide STBG funding to do
  it again in 2024 and make it available to other counties
- LTAP supporting with travel reimbursement for attendees visiting from other islands





Overview of the Project Management Training program and mobile workshop

Video Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMLtTO9dVJY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMLtTO9dVJY</a>





# 2050 Oahu Regional Transportation Plan

Scenario Planning











# Purpose of Scenario Planning

# In the context of a Long-Range Transportation Plan:

- An exercise to "see" potential outcomes of a shared vision
- A process to evaluate potential transportation investments against the 2050 ORTP goals and objectives
- A tool for guiding long-range investment strategy



#### ORTP 2050 - Vision



In 2050, Oahu's transportation system serves the health, economic, social, and cultural well-being of all people who live and visit the island with safe, reliable, and affordable multi-modal travel choices. The network is equitably maintained and operated, resilient to the effects of climate change, and upholds our community's commitments to culture and the environment.

#### ORTP 2050 - Goals



Goal 1: Reduce serious injuries and traffic deaths to zero

**Goal 2:** Enhance the transportation network to increase active and public transportation

Goal 3: Provide an equitable and affordable transportation system

**Goal 4**: Adapt Oahu's transportation network to be resilient to the effects of climate change

Goal 5: Invest in maintenance to preserve transportation facilities

Goal 6: Integrate land use and transportation planning to provide a reliable and efficient multimodal transportation system

**Goal 7:** Achieve state and county commitments to the environment, health, and culture in the development, maintenance, and operation of the transportation system

## ORTP 2050 - Objectives



- 1.1 Prioritize safety in the planning, design, and selection of projects.
- 1.2 Reduce Dangerous Driving Behaviors.
- 1.3 Implement safety plans for transit.
- 2.1 Increase the number of people who walk and bike.
- 2.2 Increase the number of people who utilize transit.
- 2.3 Reduce the percentage of people driving alone.
- 3.1 Invest in Title VI and Environmental Justice Areas.
- 3.2 Provide transit access to assist in reducing household transportation costs.
- 4.1 Address the vulnerability of Oahu's surface transportation facilities caused by sea level rise.
- 4.2 Provide redundant emergency access, especially in singular access communities.
- 5.1 Ensure roadways and bridges are in good condition.
- 5.2 Ensure transit vehicles and facilities are in good condition.
- 6.1 Improve coordination between land use and transportation.
- 6.2 Improve transit reliability.
- 6.3 Improve the reliability and efficiency of highways freight networks.
- 7.1 Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from surface transportation.
- 7.2 Support active living by increasing mileage of sidewalks and bike facilities.

### Scenario Development



- Task is to develop and evaluate three scenarios with the same target year: 2050
  - 3 Exploratory Scenarios ("What if we...")
    - Rail Focused Scenario
    - Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Focused Scenario
    - Roadway Focused Scenario
  - 1 Preferred Scenario to be developed

## Scenario Development Steps



- 1. Develop the baseline and three exploratory scenarios
- 2. Define the right mix of transportation investments for each exploratory scenario
- 3. Evaluate and compare the exploratory scenarios against each other based on the ORTP 2050 Goals and Objectives
  - a) Conduct public outreach and gather feedback
- 4. Apply findings to craft a Preferred Scenario
- 5. Evaluate and adjust the Preferred Scenario based on further feedback and discussion
- 6. Seek endorsement of the Preferred Scenario by the Policy Board

### Scenario Development Process



O'ahu Regional Transportation Plan 2050

#### **Baseline**

Transportation Projects:

Existing

**Under Construction** 

+

Committed

+

TIP FFYs 2022-2025

+

Rail

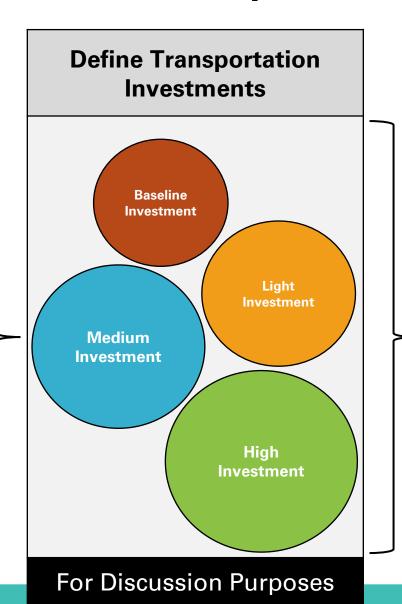
(East Kapolei to Ala

Moana)

+

Supportive

Bus Network



3 Exploratory
Scenarios

Rail Focused Scenario

BRT Focused Scenario

Roadway Focused Scenario

Bike/Ped improvements to be incorporated into each scenario

For Evaluation

Preferred

Scenario

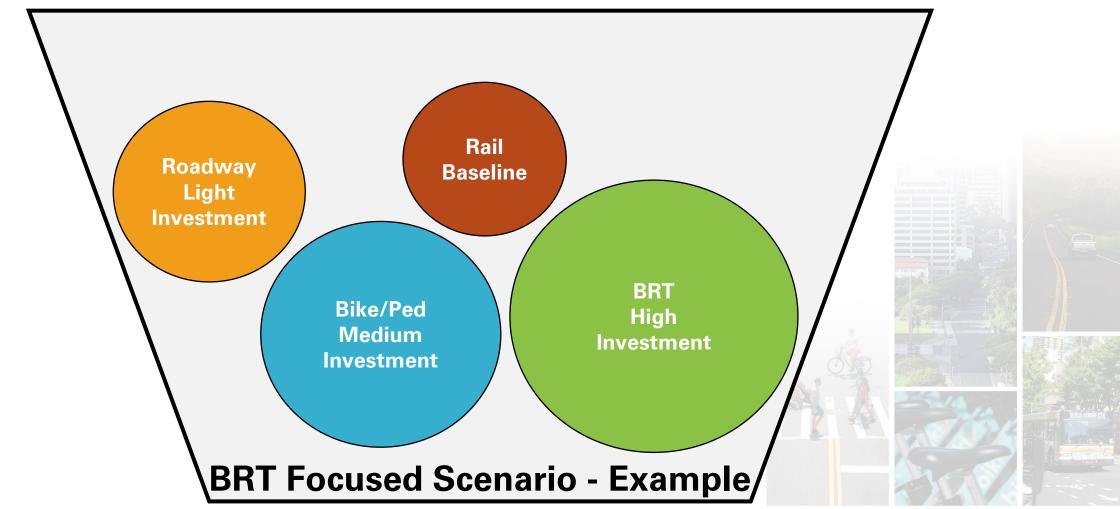
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**Scenario** 

**ORTP 2050** 

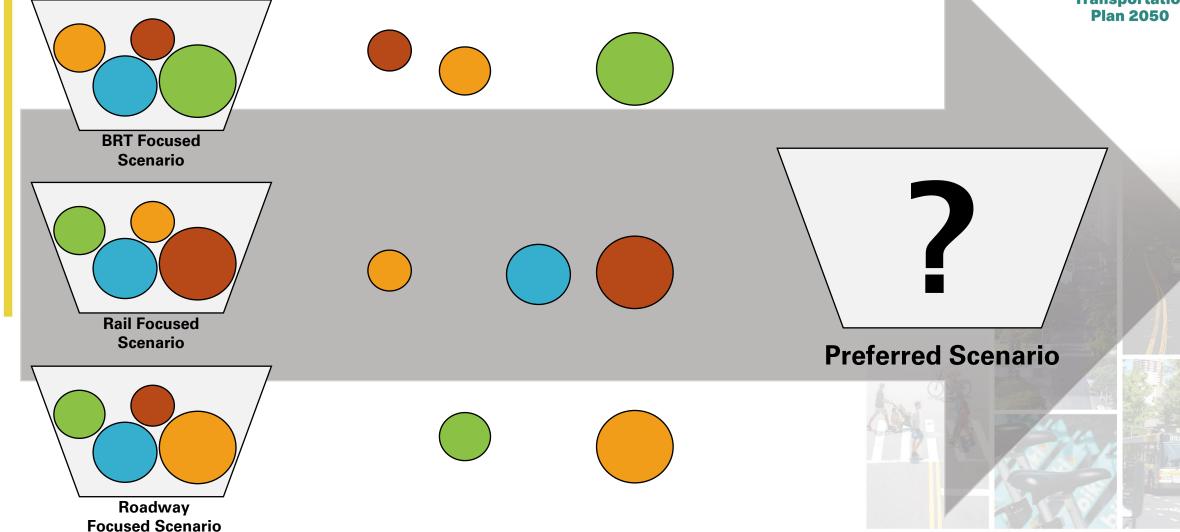
#### **Exploratory Scenario - Example**





#### Development of the Preferred Scenario



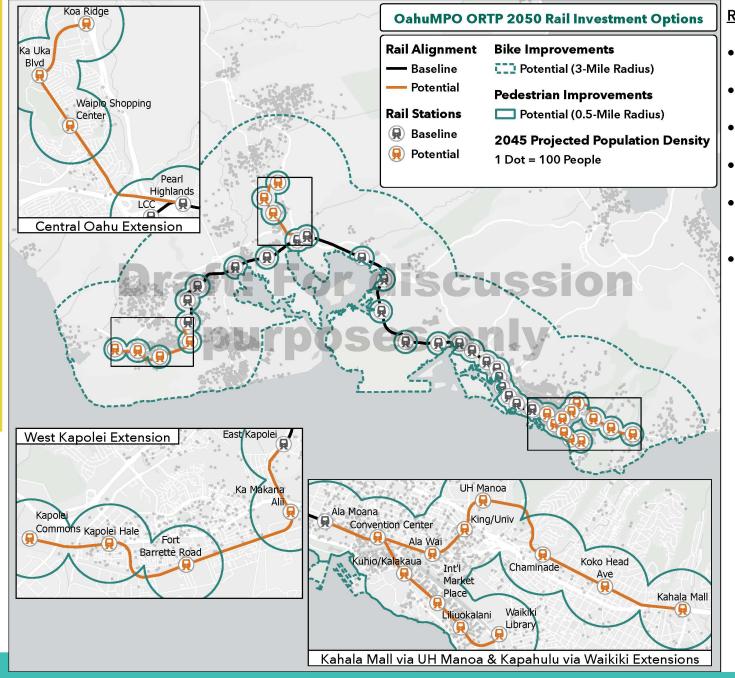


## Defining Transportation Scenarios



- To help define the transportation investments for each exploratory scenario, we have developed maps showing different investment options for each transportation mode:
  - Rail
  - Bus Rapid Transit
  - Roadway

Funding sources, costs, feasibility, bus/rail station locations, etc. will still need to be determined.

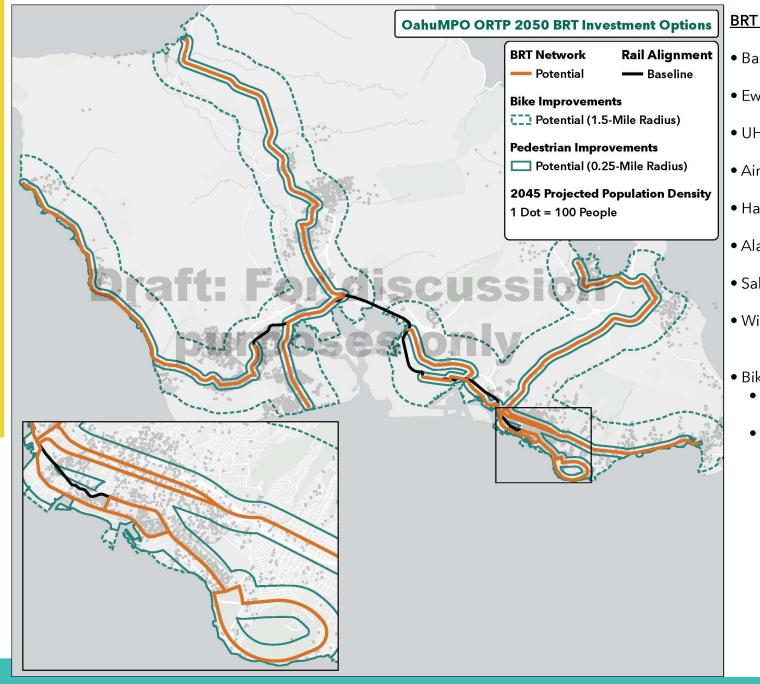


#### **Rail Investment Options**

- Baseline: To Ala Moana Center
- West Kapolei Extension
- Central Oahu Extension
- Kahala Mall via UH Manoa Extension
- Kapahulu via Waikiki Extension
- Bike/Pedestrian Improvements
  - Bike: Concentrated within a 3-mile radius around rail stations
  - Pedestrian: Concentrated within a 0.5-mile radius around rail stations





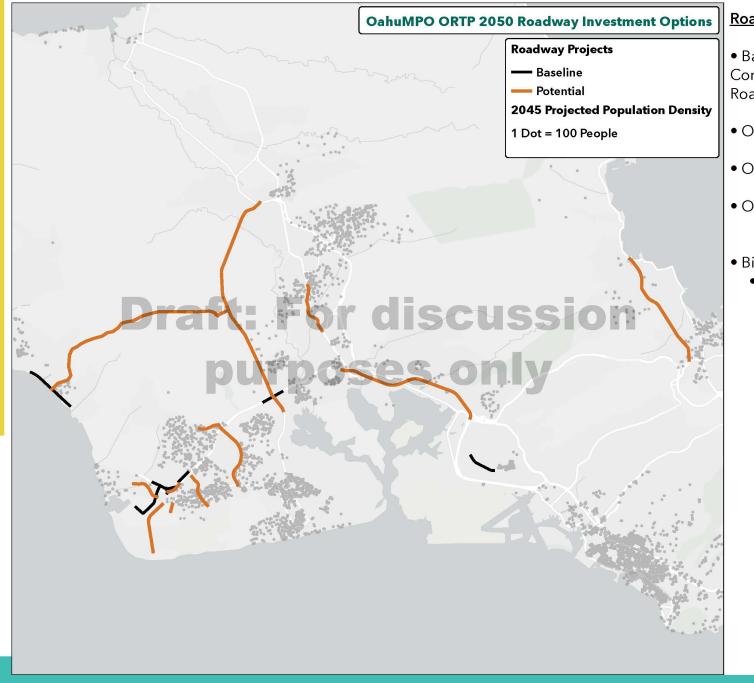


#### **BRT Investment Options**

- Baseline: No BRT Routes
- Ewa-Haleiwa
- UH West Oahu-Makaha
- Airport-Waikiki
- Hawaii Kai-Downtown
- Ala Moana-Diamond Head
- Salt Lake Blvd
- Windward-Downtown
- Bike/Pedestrian Improvements
  - Bike: Concentrated within a 1.5-mile radius along BRT corridors
  - Pedestrian: Concentrated within a 0.25-mile radius along BRT corridors



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#### **Roadway Investment Options**

- Baseline: Existing, Under Construction, Committed, and TIP FFYs 2022-2025 Roadway Projects
- ORTP 2045 Mid-Range Roadway Projects
- ORTP 2045 Long-Range Roadway Projects
- ORTP 2045 Unfunded Roadway Projects
- Bike/Pedestrian Improvements
  - Incorporated if part of the project scope





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## Evaluating Scenarios - Considerations



- Compare against each other
- •Evaluate for consistency with ORTP 2050 Goals and Objectives
- Potential to achieve Performance Measures
- •Consider cost, potential funding sources, and institutional capacity to build the projects within the Plan timeframe
- Consistency with other plans, policies, and commitments (e.g., recent Climate Change Lawsuit Settlement)

### **Evaluating Scenarios - Methods**



Travel Demand Forecast Model

GIS-based Analyses

Technical Tools (e.g., MOVES)

Policy Alignment



## Scenario Evaluation - Example



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**Less Supportive** 

**More Supportive** 

#### OahuMPO Community Engagement Efforts

**Metroquest & Social Pinpoint** 

Community pop up events

**Branding & marketing** 

**Transportation education** 











#### **Metroquest & Social Pinpoint**



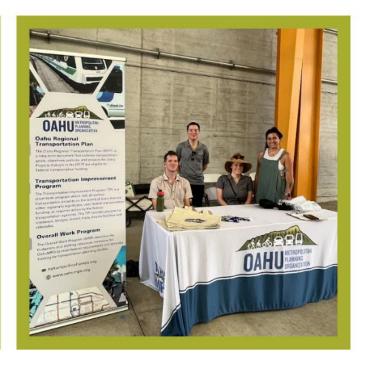




### Community pop up events









#### **Branding & Marketing**



















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#### **Transportation Education**





