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De MONT R. D. CONNER	Ho'omana Pono, LLC.	Support	Yes

Comments: We STRONGLY SUPPORT this bill. As a native Hawaiian Advocacy Corporation that operates out of the Wai`anae Coast, we REALLY need all the help we can get to improve access to the Westside. Mahalo.

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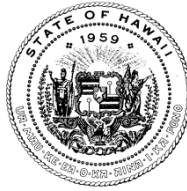
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Don Aweau	Individual	Support	No

Comments: In full support of this measure to alleviate traffic congestion and to assist West O'ahu residents during commuting hours.

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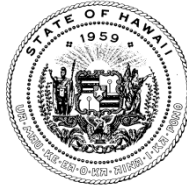
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The DOT prefers to construct a westbound shoulder lane between the west end of Honouliuli Bridge to the Kualakai Parkway interchange. This will eliminate the cost of widening the bridge to safely accommodate motor vehicles using the shoulder lane.

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