

MOHOULI STREET EXTENSION

The project extends Mohouli Street 1.26-miles between Komohana Street (the eastern terminus) and Kaumana Drive (the western terminus) in Hilo.

The Mohouli Extension traverses the developing neighborhood of Sunrise Ridge. It connects the communities of Lower Kaumana/Ainako with the existing Mohouli Street.

The provides a more efficient link between the growing Kaumana area and Komohana Street, which connects to the University and major shopping areas of Hilo.

The project will also relieve unnecessary traffic congestion from the intersection of Komohana Street and Waianuenue Avenue and adjacent areas.

The Mohouli Extension has been part of County planning since the late 1950s, and is included in the Hawaii County General Plan. Right-of-way reservation has been required in subdivisions and public projects since that time. The project is consistent with all planning, and no rezoning, reclassification or use permits are required.

The design specifies two 12-foot travel lanes, with 8-foot shoulders and 10-foot paved swales.

COST AND SCHEDULE

Estimated costs are \$515,000 for project design, \$1.5 million for right-of-way acquisition and \$5.6 million for construction, for a total cost of \$7.615 million. Funding is derived from federal matching funds.