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DOT AWARDS \$7 MILLION TO ASSIST HONOLULU

A \$7,592,700 grant to Honolulu to assist in the purchase of 84 new buses and fare collection equipment was announced today by Secretary of Transportation Brock Adams.

"I commend Honolulu officials for their efforts to meet the increasing transportation needs of a growing population," said Secretary Adams. "The addition of new routes and emphasis on increasing the size of the Honolulu bus fleet to meet the increased demand is a result of the community's transportation improvement planning program."

Most of the money will help purchase 74 advance design 45-passenger coaches and 10 new 35-passenger buses. The grant also includes funds for the purchase and installation of 55 new fareboxes.

Honolulu will increase its routes and peak hour service through the new purchases. The new buses will allow for an increase in fleet size from the current 350 to a total of 400, and 340 obsolete buses will be retired.

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A local source for additional information is Mr. Kazu Hayashida, Office of the Mayor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, (808) 523-4529.
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