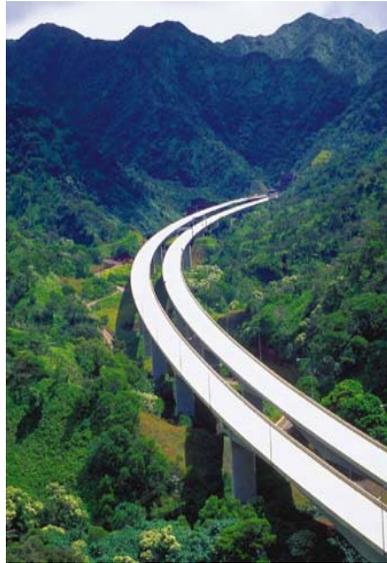


DBE Policy Statement

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) is committed to a policy of equal opportunity and non-discrimination in the award and administration of state and federal contracts.

The DBE Program is a federal program under the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). As a recipient of federal funds, HDOT must comply with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 23 & Part 26 (49 CFR 23 & 26).



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DBE Supportive Services Program

The Hawaii Department of Transportation, (HDOT) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Supportive Services (DBE/SS) Program is operated in conjunction with the DBE Program administered by the FHWA. The DBE SS Program offers training and other forms of assistance to help DBE firms grow, become self-sufficient, and compete in the highway transportation industry.

The DBE/SS is designed to assist minority, women and disadvantaged business owners in developing and promoting their business in the highway construction industry.

The DBE/SS Program offers services to certified DBE firms in the following areas:

- ◆ One-on-One Consulting Services
- ◆ Technical Training & Tuition Reimbursement
- ◆ Business Development Workshops
- ◆ Highway Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction manual

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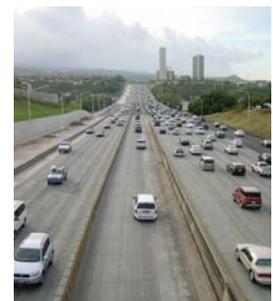
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HDOT Awards Availability & Disparity Study Contract to NERA

Texas-based firm National Economic Research Association, Inc. (NERA) was awarded the contract to conduct a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Availability and Disparity Study for the State of Hawaii. The purpose of the study is to determine, in a fair and valid way, if discrimination or its effects exists in Hawaii's transportation contracting industry.

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H1 zipper lane (Kaonohi overpass)

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◆ One-on-One Consultant Services

Individual counseling will enable DBEs to acquire the proficiency, expertise and experience necessary to compete on HDOT contracts and sub-contracts.

◆ Technical Training & Tuition Reimbursement*

DBE firms may be eligible to receive reimbursement funds for training or education to improve the firm's capabilities and technical skills that are involved in **highway related** construction. Reimbursement may be available up to the maximum of \$1,000 per firm during the Federal fiscal year (October 1 to September 30. Approval by HDOT is required 15 calendar days prior to the event.

*Based on availability of funds.



◆ Business Development Workshops

Focuses on technical assistance and contracting opportunities such as marketing, estimating, administrative management, and information technology. Workshops to be offered on Kauai, Maui, Hawaii and Oahu.

◆ Highway Standard Specifications for Road & Bridge Construction

The Highway Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is a compilation of provisions and requirements for general application of design and construction of Hawaii's transportation infrastructure. DBE firms may receive one copy of this publication. (A \$75 value)



Who is eligible for DBE SS?

HDOT DBE-certified firms desiring to participate in HDOT **highway construction and consulting-related** work are eligible to apply for DBE SS Program assistance.

Visit our DBE/SS website for more information & application
<http://www.hawaii.gov/dot/administration/ocr/dbe.htm>

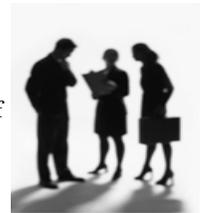
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The reason this study is important, because the Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) will use the results of the study to determine if it should reinstate race-conscious goals on federal-aid project. This means that while prime contractors are encouraged to use DBE firms, they are not required to do so.

Hawaii, like other states in the Ninth Judicial Circuit (i.e. Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington), is not allowed to set DBE goals on federal-aid projects unless it has evidence that discrimination against DBEs or other minority and women-owned businesses. This is due to a lawsuit filed by a non-DBE in the State of Washington, which alleged that Washington Department of Transportation did not have any evidence of discrimination to set race-conscious DBE participation goals on federal aid projects.

The study is expected to take a year to complete at a cost of approximately \$660,000.



Newly Certified DBEs



Recertified DBEs

All Tree Service, Inc.

Tree trimming service and removal
Contact: Terry Rodrigues Phone: 808 259-7226
Location: Waimanalo Email: alltreesinc@yahoo.com

Leslie Saunders Insurance Agency, Inc.

Insurance agency
Contact: Leslie Ann Saunders Phone: 813 949-8964
Location: Florida Email: brownnon@lsimi.com

Reyes Engineering, Inc.

Electrical Engineering, telecommunication & security
Contact: Flavino Reyes, Jr. Phone: 503 771-1986
Location: Oregon Email: freyes@reyeseng.com

• **SMK Painting, Inc.**
Painting Contractor

• **KFH Group, Inc.**
Transportation Services

• **Qualified Painting Services, Inc.**
Painting Contractor

• **KKK Aluminum & Glass, Inc.**
Glass & Glazing, automatic doors, windows & mirrors.

• **Leona M. Martin dba Lin's Lei Stand**
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