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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Meeting of the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group Aviation Rulemaking Committee

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), in accordance with the National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000, announce the next meeting of the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group Aviation Rulemaking Committee (NPOAG ARC). This notice informs the public of the date, location, and agenda for the meeting.

Dates and Location: The NPOAG ARC will meet February 23-25, 2005, at the Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort, 520 Historic Nature Trail, Gatlinburg, TN 37738. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 23, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barry Brayer, Manager, Executive Resource Staff, Western Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Blvd., Hawthorne, CA 90250, telephone: (310) 725-3800, or Barry.Brayer@faa.gov, or Karen Trevino, National Park Service, Natural Sounds Program, 1201 Oakridge Dr., Suite 350, Ft. Collins, CO 80525, telephone (970) 225-3563, or Karen_Trevino@nps.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000, enacted on April 5, 2000, as Public Law. 106-181 (Pub. L. 106-181), required the establishment of a National Parks Overflights Advisory Group within 1 year after its enactment. The NPOAG was to be a balanced group representative of general aviation, commercial air tour operations, environmental concerns, and Indian tribes. The duties of the NPOAG included providing advice, information, and recommendations to the Director, NPS, and to the Administrator, FAA, on the implementation of Pub. L. 106-181, on quiet aircraft technology, on other measures that might accommodate interests to visitors to national parks,

and, at the request of the Director and Administrator, on safety, environmental, and other issues related to commercial air tour operations over national parks or tribal lands.

On March 12, 2001, the FAA and NPS announced the establishment of the NPOAG (48 FR 14429). The advisory group has held five meetings: August 28-29, 2001, in Las Vegas, Nevada; October 4-5, 2002, in Tusayan, Arizona; October 20-21, 2003 in Jackson, Wyoming; March 18-19, 2004, in Boulder City, NV; and September 9-10, 2004, in Washington, DC.

On October 10, 2003, the Administrator signed Order No. 1110-138 establishing the NPOAG as an aviation rulemaking committee. The current members of the NPOAG ARC are Heidi Williams (general aviation), Richard Larew, Elling Halverson, and Alan Stephen (commercial air tour operations), Chip Dennerlein and Charles Maynard (environmental interests), and Germaine White and Richard Deertrack (Indian tribes). The FAA and NPS are soliciting two additional members to represent environmental interests.

Agenda for the February 23-25, 2005 Meeting

The NPOAG ARC will review tribal issues, prevention and mitigation of significant adverse environmental impacts, modifications to interim operating authority, new entrant operators and increased operations of existing operators, and quiet technology. A final agenda will be available the day of the meeting.

Attendance at the Meeting

Although this is not a public meeting, interested persons may attend. Because seating is limited, if you plan to attend, please contact one of the persons listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** so that meeting space may accommodate your attendance.

Record of the Meeting

If you cannot attend the meeting, a summary record of the meeting will be made available through the National Park Service, Natural Sounds Program, 1201 Oakridge Dr., Suite 350, Ft. Collins, CO 80525, telephone (970) 225-3563.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 2, 2005.

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Acting Director, Flight Standards Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2005-20301]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on September 21, 2004.

DATES: Comments must be submitted before March 30, 2005. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sylvia L. Marion, Office of Administration, Office of Management Planning, (202) 366-6680.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 49 U.S.C. 5309 and 5307 Capital Assistance Programs (OMB Number: 2132-0502).

Abstract: 49 U.S.C. 5309 Capital Program and Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program authorize the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to State and local governments and public transportation authorities for financing mass transportation projects. Grant recipients are required to make information available to the public and to publish a program or projects for affected citizens to comment on the proposed program and performance of the grant recipients at public hearings. Notices of hearings must include a brief description of the proposed project and be published in a newspaper circulated in the affected area. FTA also uses the information to determine eligibility for funding and to monitor the grantees' progress in implementing and completing project activities. The information submitted ensures FTA's compliance with applicable federal laws and OMB Circular A-102.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 225,997 hours.

Addresses: All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FTA Desk Officer.