

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5224]

**International Joint Commission
Announcement of Public Meetings****Review of the Great Lakes Water
Quality Agreement**

The governments of the United States and Canada have asked the International Joint Commission (IJC) to consult with the residents of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River basin to find out their views on what needs to be done to protect water quality in their area, and on the future of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

The Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement between Canada and the United States expresses the commitment of each country to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the waters of the Great Lakes basin ecosystem, including the international portion of the St. Lawrence River.

The governments intend to launch a review of the operation and effectiveness of the Agreement in early 2006. The Agreement was first signed in 1972 and last amended in 1987.

The International Joint Commission is holding 14 public meetings across the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River basin, conducting a Web Dialogue from November 29 to December 2 and accepting written and oral submissions until November 30. For more information, call toll-free at 1 866 813-0642 or visit <http://www.ijc.org/glconsultations>.

- Monday, October 17 at 7 p.m. in Montréal, Quebec, at City Hall, 275 Notre-Dame Street East
- Monday, October 24 at 7 p.m. in Duluth, Minnesota, at the Central Hillside Community Center, 12 East 4th Street
- Tuesday, October 25 at 7 p.m. in Thunder Bay, Ontario, at City Hall, 500 Donald Street East
- Thursday, October 27 at 7 p.m. in Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, in the City Council Chamber at the Civic Centre, 99 Foster Drive
- Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. in Bay City, Michigan, at City Hall, 301 Washington Avenue
- Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. in Green Bay, Wisconsin, at the KI Convention Center, 333 Main Street
- Wednesday, November 2 at 7 p.m. in Chicago, Illinois, in the Phelps Auditorium at the Shedd Aquarium, 1200 South Lake Shore Drive
- Wednesday, November 2 at 3 p.m. in Detroit, Michigan, at the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, One Woodward Avenue, Suite 1900

- Wednesday, November 2 at 7 p.m. in Windsor, Ontario, at the Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Drive West
- Thursday, November 3, at 7 p.m. in Cleveland, Ohio, in the Rotunda of City Hall, 601 Lakeside Avenue
- Tuesday, November 8 at 7 p.m. in Quebec City, Quebec, at City Hall, 2 rue des Jardins
- Tuesday, November 8 at 7 p.m. in Midland, Ontario, in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 575 Dominion Avenue
- Wednesday, November 9 at 7 p.m. in Toronto, Ontario, at City Hall, 100 Queen Street West
- Thursday, November 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Rochester, New York, in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 30 Church Street

Dated: November 7, 2005.

Elizabeth C. Bourget,

*Secretary, United States Section,
International Joint Commission, Department
of State.*

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Office of the Secretary**

[OST Docket No. 2005-22114]

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**Standard Time Zone Boundary in the
State of Indiana**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary (OST), the Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of public hearings.

SUMMARY: To gather information concerning the effects of changing time zone boundaries in Indiana, DOT is holding four public hearings. This notice provides the dates, times, locations, and agenda for these public hearings. The objective of the hearings is to provide State and local government representatives and the public an opportunity to comment on DOT's proposal concerning the time zone boundary in 18 Indiana counties. To aid us in our consideration of whether a time zone change would be "for the convenience of commerce," which is the standard Congress established for these matters, DOT seeks comments on how the time zone change impacts on such things as economic, cultural, social, and civic activities and how time zone changes affect businesses, communication, transportation, and education.

DATES: The hearing in Logansport will be held on November 13 from 2:30 pm to 6:30 pm; in Terre Haute on November 14 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.; in Jasper on November 16 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and in South Bend on November 21, 2005 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. To help us prepare for the meeting, all State and local government representatives must register in order to ensure an opportunity to speak at the hearings by November 10, 2005. If anyone needs a sign language interpreter, please let us know as soon as possible. To register or to request an interpreter for the hearings, please send an e-mail message to indianatime@dot.gov or call (202) 366-9283 and identify the hearing location at which you wish to speak. As announced previously, all written comments should be received by November 30, 2005, to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: The public hearings will be held at the following locations:

- McHale Performing Arts Center, Logansport Community High School, 1 Berry Lane, Logansport, IN 46947. Phone: 574-753-4116 (<http://mchalepac.lcsc.k12.in.us>)
- Hulman Center Meeting Room Complex, Indiana State University, 200 North Eighth Street, (corner of 9th and Cherry Street) Terre Haute, IN 47809. Phone: 812-237-3770 (<http://indstate.edu>)
- Jasper Arts Center, 951 College Avenue, Jasper, IN 47546 (adjacent to Vincennes University, Jasper Campus) Phone: 812-482-3070 (<http://www.jasperindiana.gov>)
- Student Activity Center, Indiana University, South Bend Campus, 1700 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend, IN 46634 Phone: 574-520-4872 (<http://www.iusb.edu/maps>)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joanne Petrie, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Regulation and Enforcement, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room 10424, 400 Seventh Street, Washington, DC 20590, indianatime@dot.gov; (202) 366-9306.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the **Federal Register** on October 31, 2005, (70 FR 62288), DOT tentatively proposed to move St. Joseph, Starke, Knox, Pike, and Perry Counties from the eastern time zone to the central time zone. DOT also tentatively proposed not to change the time zone boundary for Marshall, Pulaski, Fulton, Benton, White, Carroll, Cass, Vermillion, Sullivan, Daviess, Dubois, Martin, and Lawrence Counties, leaving them in the eastern time zone. The

notice also announced that DOT intended to hold public hearings on its proposal.

Public Hearing

In addition to the opportunity to provide written comments, DOT is providing an opportunity for State and local government representatives and the public to comment on our proposal concerning Indiana time zone boundary changes at four public hearings in Jasper, Logansport, South Bend, and Terre Haute. These hearings will be chaired by a representative of DOT.

The DOT representative will describe the process that DOT uses to set time zone boundaries. There will be an opportunity for clarifying questions on her remarks. This will be followed by presentations by county government representatives who have requested an opportunity to speak. If the government representative is speaking on behalf of a county that petitioned for a change to the county time zone boundary, he or she has been asked to explain how the change would be for the convenience of commerce. After these presentations, other State and local government representatives will have an opportunity to comment, followed by the public. The DOT representative will attempt to provide an opportunity to speak for all those wishing to do so. To accommodate all interested speakers, the DOT representative may have to establish some time limits or other approaches for comment. For example, the DOT representative may provide an opportunity for citizens with like views to meet and collaborate on providing a joint statement.

The hearings will be informal and will be tape-recorded for inclusion in the docket.

“For the Convenience of Commerce”

The principal standard for deciding whether to change a time zone is “for the convenience of commerce.” This term is defined very broadly to include consideration of all the impacts upon a community of a change in its time zone. We have requested that counties seeking a change address, at a minimum, each of the following questions in as much detail as possible.

1. From where do businesses in the community get their supplies, and to where do they ship their goods or products?
2. From where does the community receive television and radio broadcasts?
3. Where are the newspapers published that serve the community?
4. From where does the community get its bus and passenger rail services; if there is no scheduled bus or passenger

rail service in the community to where most residents go to obtain these services?

5. Where is the nearest airport; if it is a local service airport, to what major airport does it carry passengers?

6. What percentage of residents of the community work outside the community; where do these residents work?

7. What are the major elements of the community’s economy; is the community’s economy improving or declining; what Federal, State, or local plans, if any, are there for economic development in the community?

8. If residents leave the community for schooling, recreation, health care, or religious worship, what standard of time is observed in the places where they go for these purposes?

To aid us in our consideration of whether a time zone change would be “for the convenience of commerce,” we ask that all those who speak at the public hearing comment on the impact on commerce of a change in the time zone and whether and how a new time zone would improve the convenience of commerce. The comments should address the impact on such things as economic, cultural, social, and civic activities and how a time zone change would affect businesses, communication, transportation, and education. The comments should be as detailed as possible, providing the basis of the information including factual data or surveys.

We will consider any other information that the county or local officials or the public believe to be relevant to the proceeding.

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General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Approval of Noise Compatibility Program Update for Lehigh Valley International Airport, Allentown, PA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its findings on the noise compatibility program submitted by the Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. (the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act, hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) and

14 CFR Part 150. These findings are made in recognition of the description of Federal and nonfederal responsibilities in Senate Report No. 96–52 (1980). On May 14, 2004 the FAA determined that the noise exposure maps submitted by the Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority under Part 150 were in compliance with applicable requirements. On October 7, 2005, the FAA approved the Lehigh Valley International Airport’s updated noise compatibility program. Most of the recommendations of the program update were approved. One program element relating to revised flight procedures for noise abatement was proposed by the airport operator and was approved in part, as a voluntary measure, and disapproved in part. Only one noise abatement element was disapproved for purposes of Part 150 pending submission of additional information needed to make an informed analysis. The Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority has also requested under FAR Part 150, section 150.35(f), that FAA determine that the revised five-year forecast condition NEM submitted with the noise compatibility program and showing noise contours as a result of the implementation of the noise compatibility program is in compliance with applicable requirements of FAR Part 150. The FAA announces its determination that the revised five-year forecast condition NEW for the Lehigh Valley International Airport for the year 2008 submitted with the noise compatibility program is in compliance with applicable requirements of FAR Part 150 effective October 31, 2005. The documentation that constitutes the revised five-year forecast condition NEM as defined in §§ 150.7 and 150.101(e) of Part 150 includes but is not limited to: Sections 2.2 and 2.3, Figure 3, and Table 3 in the NCP Update, and Figure 11 and Figures 36 through 45 in the NEM volume. The FAA has determined that this revised five-year forecast condition NEM and accompanying documentation are in compliance with applicable requirements.

DATES: The effective date of the FAA’s approval of the Lehigh Valley International Airport’s noise compatibility program update is October 7, 2005. The effective date of the FAA’s determination on the revised five-year forecast condition NEM is October 31, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward S. Gabsewics, CEP, Environmental Protection Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration,