

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement: Rock and Walworth Counties, Wisconsin

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared for the proposed improvement of USH 14/STH 11 between Janesville, in Rock County, and IH 43 near Darien, in Walworth County, Wisconsin.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Mark Chandler, Field Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration 567 D'Onofrio Drive, Suite 100, Madison, Wisconsin, 53719-2814; telephone: (608) 829-7514. You may also contact Mr. Eugene Johnson, Director, Bureau of Equity and Environmental Services, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 7965, Madison, Wisconsin, 53707-7965; telephone: (608) 267-9527.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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##### Background

The FHWA, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement to evaluate improvement alternatives for USH 14/STH 11. The project begins at USH 14 on the northwest side of Janesville, in Rock County, and extends approximately 25 miles to IH 43 near Darien, in Walworth County, Wisconsin.

The EIS will be prepared in accordance with 40 CFR Part 1500 and FHWA regulations.

Improvements to the highway are considered necessary to lessen congestion, improve safety, and provide efficient regional connections.

Planning, environmental, and engineering studies are underway to develop transportation alternatives. The EIS will assess the need, location, and environmental impacts of alternatives within the study area. Possible improvement alternatives include a no build alternative, which assumes the continued use of the existing facility with the improvements necessary to ensure its continued use; an improved 2-lane highway with intersection improvements, passing lanes, and wider shoulders; the addition of lanes to create a 4-lane highway, and evaluation of one or more alternatives that follow new alignments. In addition, alternatives for a potential by-pass connecting USH 14 and STH 11 on the west side of Janesville will be evaluated. These alternatives include 2 and 4-lane connections along various alignments, as well as consideration of a freeway type highway.

Information describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed, or are known to have interest in this proposal. Local officials and the public will be given many opportunities to provide comments during the course of the study. There will be public information meetings throughout the data gathering and development and evaluation of alternatives. Two public hearings will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearings. The Draft EIS will be available for public and agency review prior to the hearings. Several newsletters will be sent to keep local residents informed of the study's progress. A project Web site has been established to help provide information on the project. The Web site address is <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/projects/dl/wis11study/index.htm>.

In addition, two committees have been formed, a Technical Committee and an Advisory Committee, that will meet throughout the life of the study. These committees are made up of local government officials and agency personnel and they will be responsible for helping define the project purpose and need, as well as providing input and comments on alternatives.

The anticipated format for the EIS will be Screening Worksheets rather

than the typical narrative form. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation has developed a series of Environmental Screening Worksheets, which are divided into Basic Sheets and Factor Sheets. The Screening Worksheets provide a flexible means of addressing the requirements for an Environmental Document.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action is addressed, and all substantive issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to FHWA or the Wisconsin Department of Transportation at the addresses provided in the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Federal law prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, age, sex, or country of national origin in the implementation of this action. It is also Federal and State policy that no group of people bears the negative consequences of this action in a disproportionately high and adverse manner without adequate mitigation.

**Authority:** 23 U.S.C. 315; 49 CFR 1.48.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2007-28563]

#### Notice of Request for the Revision of Currently Approved Information Collection

**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. 35001 *et seq.*), this notice announces the intention of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the revision of the currently approved information collection: 49 U.S.C. 5335(a) and (b) National Transit Database (NTD). FTA would like to add the collection of rural transit data under the NTD to this collection, as mandated by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), enacted August 10, 2005.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted before August 27, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail or hand-deliver comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Comments may also be faxed to (202) 493-2251; or submitted electronically at <http://dms.dot.gov>. All comments should include the docket number in this notice's heading. All comments may be examined and copied at the above address from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you desire a receipt, you must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard or, if you submit your comments electronically, you may print the acknowledgement page.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John D. Giorgis, National Transit Database Contracting Officer's Technical Representative, Office of Budget and Policy, FTA, phone: 202-366-5430, fax: 202-366-7989, or e-mail: [john.giorgis@dot.gov](mailto:john.giorgis@dot.gov) or you may contact Shauna J. Coleman, Office of Chief Counsel, FTA, phone: 202-366-4063, fax: 202-366-3809, or e-mail: [shauna.coleman@dot.gov](mailto:shauna.coleman@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Interested parties are invited to send comments regarding any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) The necessity and utility of the information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the FTA; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways to minimize the collection burden without reducing the quality of the collected information. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection.

*Title:* 49 U.S.C. 5335(a) and (b) National Transit Database.

*(OMB Number: 2132-0008).*

*Background:* Title 49 U.S.C. 5335(a) and (b) requires the Secretary of Transportation to maintain a reporting system by uniform categories to accumulate mass transportation financial and operating information using a uniform system of accounts and records. Congress created the NTD to be the repository of transit data for the nation, on which to base public transportation service planning. Section 3033 of SAFETEA-LU amended 49 U.S.C. 5335 to require recipients of 49 U.S.C. 5311 grants to submit an annual report containing total annual revenue; sources of revenue; total annual

operating costs; total annual capital costs; fleet size and type; and related facilities: Revenue vehicle miles and ridership. The addition of this requirement for recipients of 49 U.S.C. 5311 does not affect the existing NTD data collection from urbanized area agencies, including the mandatory NTD reporting requirement for recipients of 49 U.S.C. 5307 grants (Urbanized Area Formula grants).

FTA will not require these smaller rural agencies to submit the same level of detail to the NTD as a system in an urbanized area. FTA will only require the State Department of Transportation (DOT) to submit a one-page form for each rural agency in the State that is the recipient or beneficiary of grants under 49 U.S.C. 5311. Most State DOTs already produce reports for their State legislatures with this summary data. Additionally, FTA will require each State DOT to report the number of counties in the State that are served by recipients of grants under 49 U.S.C. 5311. For purposes of this data collection, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands will report as States (by 49 U.S.C. 5307(1)). The U.S. Virgin Islands is an urbanized area for purposes of FTA grantmaking and does not receive grants under 49 U.S.C. 5311. Additionally, FTA will require this report from federally-recognized Native American tribes that are direct recipients of grants under 49 U.S.C. Section 5311 and whose information is not included in a report of a State DOT. The reporting requirements for this program have been developed after years of consultation with State DOTs and rural transit agencies.

On November 30, 2005, FTA published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 71950, November 30, 2005) the procedures and start dates for mandatory annual reporting that State DOTs must follow when submitting rural transit data to FTA. The rural transit data reporting procedures are specified in the Rural NTD Module Reporting Manual which contains detailed reporting instructions for this data collection. It can be reviewed on the NTD Web site at <http://www.ntdprogram.gov> and will be submitted for notice and comment in a future **Federal Register** announcement. For 2006, many States have reported data to the NTD for approximately 1,600 rural systems under a voluntary pilot program. The majority of States reported all of their data without any formal training.

FTA is requesting a revision of the currently approved NTD information

collection (OMB Control Number 2132-008) to include the addition of rural reporting.

*Rural Respondents:* State DOTs and some tribal governments.

*Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents:* Approximately one hour is required to complete the one-page form for each of the 1,600 recipients of grants under 49 U.S.C. 5311. The average for each State DOT that files on behalf of the grant recipients is less than 31 hours each year.

*Estimated Total Annual Rural Burden:* 1,600 hours.

*Frequency:* Annual reports.

Urban reporting is currently included in the approved NTD information collection.

*Urban Respondents:* The respondents are primarily public transit authorities that are agencies of State and local governments. Reporters also include entities under contract to public transit agencies, such as, business or other for-profit institutions, non-profit institutions, and small business organizations.

*Estimated Annual Urban Burden on Urban Respondents:* There are 660 total potential respondents, of which 80 very small systems seek exemptions from filing. Annually, about 580 entities file detailed reports. The annual burden on each of the 580 respondents is 395 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Urban Burden:* 229,100 hours.

*Frequency:* Primarily annual, with monthly safety, security and ridership reports.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden for Rural and Urban Respondents:* 230,700 hours.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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The Department of the Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed