

**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 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the National Park Service (NPS), in accordance with the National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000, announce the next meeting of the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group (NPOAG) Aviation Rulemaking Committee (ARC). This notification provides the dates, location, and agenda for the meeting.

**DATES AND LOCATION:** The NPOAG ARC will meet on November 4–5, 2009. The meeting will take place at the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park, Dayton, OH. The meeting will be held at the Wright-Dunbar Interpretive Center's conference room located at 16 South Williams Street, Dayton, OH 45402. The phone number is (937) 225-7705. The meetings will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on November 4th and from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on November 5th. This NPOAG meeting will be open to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barry Brayer, AWP-1SP, Special Programs Staff, Federal Aviation Administration, Western-Pacific Region Headquarters, P.O. Box 92007, Los Angeles, CA 90009-2007, telephone: (310) 725-3800, e-mail: [Barry.Brayer@faa.gov](mailto:Barry.Brayer@faa.gov), or Karen Trevino, National Park Service, Natural Sounds Program, 1201 Oakridge Dr., Suite 100, Fort Collins, CO 80525, telephone: (970) 225-3563, e-mail: [Karen\\_Trevino@nps.gov](mailto:Karen_Trevino@nps.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

The National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000 (NPATMA), enacted on April 5, 2000, as Public Law 106-181, required the establishment of the NPOAG within one year after its enactment. The Act requires that the NPOAG be a balanced group of representatives of general aviation, commercial air tour operations, environmental concerns, and Native American tribes. The Administrator of the FAA and the Director of NPS (or their designees) serve as ex officio members of the group. Representatives of the Administrator and Director serve alternating 1-year terms as chairman of the advisory group.

The duties of the NPOAG include providing advice, information, and

recommendations to the FAA Administrator and the NPS Director on: implementation of Public Law 106-181; quiet aircraft technology; other measures that might accommodate interests to visitors of national parks; and at the request of the Administrator and the Director, on safety, environmental, and other issues related to commercial air tour operations over national parks or tribal lands.

**Agenda for the November 4–5, 2009 NPOAG Meeting**

The agenda for the meeting will include, but is not limited to, final adoption of a Strategic Plan, update on ongoing Air Tour Management Program projects; and a discussion on the competitive bidding process.

**Attendance at the Meetings**

Although these are not public meetings, 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 be made to accommodate all attendees.

**Record of the Meetings**

If you cannot attend the NPOAG meeting, a summary record of the meeting will be made available under the NPOAG section of the FAA ATMP Web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/arc/programs/air\\_tour\\_management\\_plan/parks\\_overflights\\_group/minutes.cfm](http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/arc/programs/air_tour_management_plan/parks_overflights_group/minutes.cfm) or through the Special Programs Staff, Western-Pacific Region, P.O. Box 92007, Los Angeles, CA 90009-2007, telephone: (310) 725-3808.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Finance Docket No. 35304]

**San Francisco Bay Railroad-Mare Island—Operation Exemption—California Northern Railroad**

San Francisco Bay Railroad-Mare Island (SF Bay-Mare Is.), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to operate approximately 8 miles of unmarked rail line (the line) owned by the City of Vallejo (the City) and Lennar Mare

Island, LLC (LMI), in Vallejo, CA. There are no mileposts on the line; however, the track is described as extending from a junction located on the California Northern Railroad approximately 800 feet north of Sereno Drive in Vallejo, CA, to the end of track just south of Detoro Way on Mare Island in the City of Vallejo, CA, and branching at A Street on Mare Island to the end of track at approximately L Street on Mare Island in the City of Vallejo, CA. SF Bay-Mare Is. states that it intends to interchange traffic with the California Northern Railroad at Flosden Acres, in Vallejo, CA.

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed notice of exemption for David Gavrich to continue in control of SF Bay-Mare Is. upon SF Bay-Mare Is.'s becoming a Class III rail carrier. See *David Gavrich—Continuance in Control Exemption—San Francisco Bay Railroad-Mare Island*, STB Finance Docket No. 35303.

SF Bay-Mare Is. is currently negotiating an operating agreement with the City. SF Bay-Mare Is. states that it intends to commence operations over the line as soon as authority is granted.

SF Bay-Mare Is. certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of the transaction will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III rail carrier.

Pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, Public Law 110-161, § 193, 121 Stat. 1844 (2007), nothing in this decision authorizes the following activities at any solid waste rail transfer facility: collecting, storing or transferring solid waste outside of its original shipping container; or separating or processing solid waste (including baling, crushing, compacting and shredding). The term "solid waste" is defined in section 1004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6903.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than October 21, 2009 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 35304, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on John F. McHugh, 6 Water St., New York, NY 10004.