

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The meeting is open to the public. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting or to make a presentation to the Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs, advance notice is requested. Please contact Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison, at the U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Veterans Business Development, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416; *Telephone number:* (202) 619-1697; Fax number (202) 481-6085 or by e-mail at *cheryl.simms@sba.gov*.

If you require accommodations because of a disability, please contact the Office of Veterans Business Development at (202) 205-6773 at least two weeks in advance.

Dated: July 1, 2011.

Dan S. Jones,

SBA Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice To Rescind a Notice of Intent and Draft Environmental Impact Statement: Highway 35, Between Norfolk and South Sioux City, NE

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice to rescind a Notice of Intent and Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that we are rescinding the Notice of Intent (NOI) and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for improvements that were proposed for the Highway 35 Corridor from Norfolk to South Sioux City (N35) in Nebraska [DPS-35-4(119)]. The NOI was published in the *Federal Register* on March 4, 2002, and the DEIS availability was published in the *Federal Register* on January 11, 2008. This rescission is based on a lack of available funding for the full corridor proposal, which led to a reduction in scope to focus on the area of more defined need within the Norfolk area. The reduction in scope has brought the proposed action below the threshold of an EIS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa Maiefski, Program Delivery Team Lead, FHWA, Nebraska Division, 100 Centennial Mall North, Room 220, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508, *Telephone:* (402) 742-8473.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the

Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR), is rescinding the NOI and DEIS for a proposal to improve N-35 between Norfolk and South Sioux City in Madison, Stanton, Wayne, Dixon, and Dakota Counties in Nebraska. The previous proposed action, described in the 2008 DEIS, was to upgrade the existing two lane, 70 mile rural highway to a four lane divided highway on partially new alignment. The NOI is being rescinded in large part due to funding constraints, which led to a reduction of scope to focus on the more imminent N-35 needs within the Norfolk area only. The current proposed actions would improve the capacity of N-35 within Norfolk, from the junction of N-35 with US 275 to Nucor Road, and would improve the intersection of N-35 with Norfolk Avenue and Victory Road. NDOR will be holding a public meeting to solicit community input on the new proposal, which will be advertised through the local media. Given the reduction in scope and the associated potential impacts of the proposed action, FHWA intends to prepare a lower-level NEPA document to determine if the project has the potential to significantly affect the quality of the human environment. If, at a future time, FHWA determines that the proposed action is likely to have a significant impact on the environment, a new NOI to prepare an EIS will be published.

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

Dated: July 8, 2011.

Joseph A. Werning,

Division Administrator, Nebraska.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on Proposed Highway in California

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Limitation on Claims for Judicial Review of Actions by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE).

SUMMARY: The FHWA, on behalf of Caltrans, is issuing this notice to announce actions taken by Caltrans, that are final within the meaning of 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). The actions relate to a proposed highway project along Interstate 805, San Diego, CA, PM: 4.4-

15.8 in the County of San Diego, State of California. Those actions grant licenses, permits, and approvals for the project.

DATES: By this notice, the FHWA, on behalf of Caltrans, is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency actions on the highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before January 10, 2012. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 180 days for filing such claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Nagy, Environmental Branch Chief, Division of Environmental Analysis, Caltrans, District 11, 4050 Taylor St., San Diego, CA 91942, *Office:* 619-688-0224, *e-mail:* *david.nagy@dot.ca.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Effective July 1, 2007, the FHWA assigned, and Caltrans assumed environmental responsibilities for this project pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327. Notice is hereby given that Caltrans, has taken final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1) by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the following highway project in the State of California: The addition of four managed lanes and HOV/transit lanes and associated multi-modal facilities (two in each direction) on Interstate 805 (I-805) from just south of East Palomar Street overcrossing in the City of Chula Vista to the Landis Street overcrossing in the City of San Diego.

The actions by the Federal agencies, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project, approved on June 22, 2011 in the FHWA Finding of No Significant Impacts (FONSI) issued on June 15, 2011, and in other documents in the FHWA project records. The Environmental Impact Report & EA/FONSI, and other project records are available by contacting Caltrans at the addresses provided above. The Caltrans Final EA and FONSI can be viewed and downloaded from the project Web site at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist11/>. The USFWS decision is available within the environmental document at the above Web site as an appendix. Pending federal actions include:

- 401 Water Quality Certification from the Regional Water Quality Control Board, under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.
- 404 Permit to Discharge Dredged or Fill Material, under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

This notice applies to all Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

1. Council on Environmental Quality regulations;
2. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA);
3. Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU);
4. Department of Transportation Act of 1966;
5. Federal Aid Highway Act of 1970;
6. Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990;
7. Clean Water Act of 1977 and 1987;
8. Endangered Species Act of 1973;
9. Migratory Bird Treaty Act;
10. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
11. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970;
12. National Historic Preservation Act of 1966;
13. Historic Sites Act of 1935;
14. Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands
15. Executive Order 13112, Invasive Species;
16. Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management; and,
17. Executive Order 12898, Environmental Justice.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).

Issued on: July 7, 2011.

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Acting Director, State Programs, Federal Highway Administration, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Tupelo, Mississippi Railroad Relocation Project

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and public hearing for the Tupelo, Mississippi Railroad Relocation Project (Project).

SUMMARY: The Federal Railroad Administration announces the availability of the Tupelo, Mississippi Railroad Relocation Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for public review and comment.

DATES: FRA invites interested Members of Congress, state and local governments, other Federal agencies, Native American tribal governments, organizations, and members of the public to provide comments on the DEIS. The public comment period began with EPA's publication of the NOA on June 24, 2011. Because of the anticipated interest in the Project, the comment period will continue until September 12, 2011. Written and oral comments will be given equal weight, and FRA and MDOT will consider all comments received or postmarked by that date in preparing the Final EIS. Comments received or postmarked after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

The public hearing on the DEIS will be held on Thursday, August 11, 2011, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the BancorpSouth Arena located at 375 East Main Street, Tupelo, Mississippi 38804. The hearing will be held in meeting rooms 3, 4 and 5 and attendees are encouraged to park on the west side of the building as that is more convenient to the meeting rooms.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted at the public hearings both verbally and in writing. Written comments may be submitted until September 12, 2011. Comment sheets are available on the project Web site at <http://www.gomdot.com/Home/Projects/Studies/Northern/TupeloRailroadRelocation/Home.aspx>. The comment sheets may be submitted by FAX to 601-359-7355 or mailed to MDOT at Mississippi Department of Transportation, Environmental Division (87-01), P.O. Box 1850, Jackson, MS 39215-9947. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail at <http://www.gomdot.com/Home/AboutMDOT/EmailUs.aspx?Topic=Environmental>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the DEIS or the Project, please contact: Ms. Kim Thurman, Environmental Division Manager, Mississippi Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1850, Jackson, MS 39215 (telephone 601 359-7920); or by e-mail at Kthurman@mdot.state.ms.us with "Tupelo Railroad Relocation Project" in the subject heading, or Mr. John Winkle, Transportation Industry Analyst, Office of Passenger Programs, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Room W38-311, Washington, DC

20590, (telephone 202 493-6067), or by e-mail at John.Winkle@DOT.Gov with "Tupelo Railroad Relocation Project" in the subject heading.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DEIS was prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, the Council on Environmental Quality NEPA implementing regulations, 40 CFR Parts 1500-1508, and the FRA NEPA procedures, 64 FR 28545 (May 26, 1999). FRA is the lead Federal agency and the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) is the lead State agency. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) included the DEIS in the Notice of Availability (NOA) published on June 24, 2011.

The DEIS evaluates the environmental impacts of the Tupelo, Mississippi Railroad Relocation Project, through which MDOT proposes to relocate an existing BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) main line. Currently, the BNSF line runs at grade and through several busy intersections in the City of Tupelo. The purpose of the Project is to improve mobility and safety by reducing roadway congestion caused by the operation of BNSF trains through the City, particularly at the intersection of Main Street (US 278/MS 6) and Gloster Street (MS 145). The build alternatives considered included operational improvements, alternative corridors, and in-town options such as railroad and highway grade separations. Through the alternatives development process, an elevated rail viaduct with a relocated interchange yard was considered to be the only reasonable build alternative and, therefore, was brought forward for detailed study.

Potential environmental impacts of the No-Build Alternative include noise, safety and mobility impacts, while the primary impacts of the Build Alternative include high construction costs, and impacts to farmlands, cultural and historic resources, streams, floodplains and utilities. Mitigation strategies are described to avoid or minimize potential impacts. Such strategies would be further refined in subsequent environmental review.

Availability of the DEIS

MDOT has placed copies of the Draft EIS and appendices at the following locations:

- Tupelo City Hall, 71 East Troy Street, Tupelo, MS 38804.
- Lee County Public Library, 219 N. Madison Street, Tupelo, MS 38801.
- Lee County Chancery Clerk, 200 W. Jefferson Street, Tupelo, MS 38804.