

EIS held in Fresno, Hanford, and Bakersfield on September 20, September 21, and September 22, 2011 respectively to collect public comments.

Based on substantive comments received during the public and agency review of the Draft EIS, the Authority and FRA decided to reintroduce alignment alternatives west of Hanford. In response to concerns raised by stakeholders in metropolitan Bakersfield, the Authority and FRA also decided to evaluate another alternative in Bakersfield (Bakersfield Hybrid Alternative) in an effort to minimize impacts to residential and community facilities. The Authority and FRA determined that the introduction of these new alternatives and other refinements being considered for existing Fresno to Bakersfield route alternatives required preparation of a Supplemental Draft EIS under NEPA and a Revised Draft EIS under CEQA.

Consistent with the provisions of NEPA Section 102(2)(c) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500 *et seq.*), and FRA's Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts (64 FR 28545, May 26, 1999), the Supplemental Draft EIS describes the Project's purpose and need, identifies the reasonable range of alternatives including the no action alternative, evaluates the potential environmental effects associated with those alternatives, and identifies mitigation measures to minimize potential environmental effects.

Copies of the Supplemental Draft EIS are available online at FRA's Web site: [www.fra.dot.gov](http://www.fra.dot.gov); the Authority's Web site: [www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov](http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov); and are also available for viewing at the following locations near the planned rail system:

- Fresno County Public Library, Central Branch, Central Reference Department, 2420 Mariposa Street, Fresno, CA;
- Fresno County Public Library, Clovis Regional Library, 1155 Fifth Street, Clovis, CA;
- Fresno County Public Library, Laton Branch, 6313 DeWoody Street, Laton, CA;
- Kern County Library, Beale Memorial Library, 701 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA;
- Kern County Library, Corcoran Branch, 1001 Chittenden Avenue, Corcoran, CA;
- Kern County Library, Delano Branch, 925 10th Avenue, Delano, CA;
- Kern County Library, Shafter Branch, 236 James Street, Shafter, CA;
- Kern County Library, Wasco Branch, 1102 7th Street, Wasco, CA;

- Kings County Library, Hanford Branch (Main Library), 401 N. Douty Street, Hanford, CA;
- Kings County Library, Lemoore Branch, 457 C Street, Lemoore, CA;
- Tulare County Library, Visalia Branch (Main Library), 200 West Oak Avenue, Visalia, CA; and
- Tulare Public Library, 475 North M Street, Tulare, CA.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

#### Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Transit Improvements to the North Red and Purple Lines, Cook County, IL

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Supplemental Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** On January 3, 2011, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as the lead federal agency, and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the North Red and Purple Line Modernization (RPM) Project in Cook County, Illinois. The purpose of this supplemental NOI is to inform interested parties that the EIS will no longer be a Tier 1 EIS as originally proposed. The methodology and format will now be a standard project-level EIS. All other aspects (Location, Purpose and Need, Alternatives, Scoping, and Possible Effects) of the original NOI remain unchanged. Activities conducted to date pursuant to the original NOI will not be impacted or reexamined. The proposed project, described more completely in the January 3, 2011 NOI, would bring the North Red and Purple lines up to a state of good repair from the track structure immediately north of Belmont Station in Chicago to the Linden terminal in Wilmette, Illinois. Materials describing the project purpose and need and the alternatives proposed for analysis are available on the CTA Web site [www.transitchicago.com/rpmproject](http://www.transitchicago.com/rpmproject). The CTA operates the rapid transit system in metropolitan Chicago, Illinois.

**ADDRESSES:** Questions regarding this updated notice or the project may be sent to Mr. Steve Hands, Strategic Planning and Policy, Chicago Transit Authority, 567 W Lake Street, Chicago, IL 60661, or via email at [RPM@transitchicago.com](mailto:RPM@transitchicago.com). The NOI of January 3, 2011 is available on the internet at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-01-03/pdf/2010-33065.pdf>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Reginald Arkell, Community Planner, Federal Transit Administration, Region V, 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320, Chicago, IL 60606, phone 312-886-3704, email [reginald.arkell@dot.gov](mailto:reginald.arkell@dot.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Foreign Assets Control

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning OFAC's information collection requirements contained within OFAC's Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations set forth at 31 CFR part 501.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before September 24, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:*  
[www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Follow the instructions on the Web site for submitting comments.

*Fax:* Attn: Request for Comments (Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations) (202) 622-1657.

*Mail:* Attn: Request for Comments (Reporting, Procedures and Penalties