

the foreign air carrier's ability to navigate and communicate safely within the U.S. National Airspace System.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by May 30, 2013.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control Number:* 2120-0749.

*Title:* Operations Specifications.

*Form Numbers:* There are no FAA forms associated with this collection.

*Type of Review:* Renewal of an information collection.

*Background:* This rule clarifies and standardizes the rules for applications by foreign air carriers and foreign persons for operations specifications issued under 14 CFR part 129 and establishes new standards for amendment, suspension and termination of those operations specifications. This final rule also applies to foreign air carriers and foreign persons operating U.S.-registered aircraft in common carriage solely outside the United States. This action was necessary to update the process for issuing operations specifications, and it establishes a regulatory basis for current practices, such as amending, terminating, and suspending operations specifications.

*Respondents:* Approximately 25 new applicants for operations specifications annually.

*Frequency:* Five FSDOs will receive approximately five applications per year.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* 3 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 75 hours.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation/FAA, and sent via electronic mail to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov), or faxed to (202) 395-6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

*Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity

of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 25, 2013.

**Albert R. Spence,**

*FAA Assistant Information Collection Clearance Officer, IT Enterprises Business Services Division, AES-200.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Membership in the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group Aviation Rulemaking Committee

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** By **Federal Register** notice (See 77 FR 27835-27836, May 11, 2012, 77 FR 48201-48202, August 13, 2012, and 78 FR 5242-5243, January 24, 2013) the National Park Service (NPS) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) invited interested persons to apply to fill one opening on the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group (NPOAG) Aviation Rulemaking Committee (ARC) to fill a vacancy representing environmental concerns due to the incumbent member's completion of a three-year term appointment on October 9, 2012. By **Federal Register** notice (See 78 FR 5242-5243, January 24, 2013) NPS and FAA also invited interested persons to apply to fill one opening on the NPOAG ARC to fill a vacancy representing commercial air tour operator interests due to the incumbent member's completion of a three-year term on May 19, 2013. This notice informs the public of the persons selected to fill these two vacancies on the NPOAG ARC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Keith Lusk, Special Programs Staff, Federal Aviation Administration, Western-Pacific Region Headquarters, P.O. Box 92007, Los Angeles, CA 90009-2007, telephone: (310) 725-3808, email: [Keith.Lusk@faa.gov](mailto:Keith.Lusk@faa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Background

The National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000 (the Act) was enacted on April 5, 2000, as Public Law 106-181. The Act required the

establishment of the advisory group within 1 year after its enactment. The NPOAG was established in March 2001. The advisory group is comprised of 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.

In accordance with the Act, the advisory group provides "advice, information, and recommendations to the Administrator and the Director-

(1) On the implementation of this title [the Act] and the amendments made by this title;

(2) On commonly accepted quiet aircraft technology for use in commercial air tour operations over a national park or tribal lands, which will receive preferential treatment in a given air tour management plan;

(3) On other measures that might be taken to accommodate the interests of visitors to national parks; and

(4) At the request of the Administrator and the Director, safety, environmental, and other issues related to commercial air tour operations over a national park or tribal lands."

#### Membership

The current NPOAG ARC is made up of one member representing general aviation, three members representing the commercial air tour industry, four members representing environmental concerns, and two members representing Native American interests. Current members of the NPOAG ARC are as follows:

Heidi Williams representing general aviation; Alan Stephen, Elling Halvorson, and Matthew Zuccaro representing commercial air tour operators; Greg Miller, Kristen Brengel, and Dick Hingson representing environmental interests with one open seat; and Rory Majenty and Martin Begaye representing Native American tribes.

#### Selection

Selected to fill the seat representing environmental concerns is Michael Sutton who will be filling a currently open seat. Selected to represent commercial air tour operator interests is Mark Francis who will be filling incumbent Elling Halvorson's seat which expires on May 19, 2013. The term of service for NPOAG ARC

members is 3 years. Both of these terms will start on May 20, 2013.

Issued in Hawthorne, CA, on April 23, 2013.

**Keith Lusk,**

*Special Programs Staff, Western-Pacific Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2013-0012]

#### Notice of Funding Availability for the Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds; and Request for Comments

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

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of funding for Indian tribal governments for Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds (TTPSF) authorized within the Tribal Transportation Program (TTP) under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21). The FHWA will distribute these funds as described in this notice on a competitive basis in a manner consistent with the eligibilities of this program.

In addition, this notice proposes criteria FHWA will use to identify projects for funding and describes application procedures. The FHWA requests comments on the content of this notice. The FHWA will take all comments into consideration and publish a final notice of funding availability.

The FHWA will solicit grant applications through the government-wide electronic grants Web site at <http://www.grants.gov> and will publish a solicitation memo on the FHWA Web site at <http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov>.

**DATES:** All public comments must be received on or before May 30, 2013. Late-filed comments will be considered to the extent practicable.

The FHWA plans to conduct outreach regarding the TTPSF in the form of Webinars on May 1 at 1:00 e.t., (participants can pre-register online at: [https://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/resources/webconference/web\\_conf\\_learner\\_reg.aspx?webconfid=26059](https://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/resources/webconference/web_conf_learner_reg.aspx?webconfid=26059)) and May 8 at 4:00 e.t., (participants can pre-register online at: <https://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/resources/webconference/>

[web\\_conf\\_learner\\_reg.aspx?webconfid=26060](http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/resources/webconference/web_conf_learner_reg.aspx?webconfid=26060)). Both Webinars will be recorded and posted on FHWA's Web site at: <http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov>.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number FHWA-2013-0012, by any of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

*Mail:* Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

*Hand Delivery:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: You must include the agency name and docket number FHWA-2013-0012 on your comments. All comments received will be posted, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about the program discussed herein, contact Ms. Cindi Ptak by telephone at (202) 366-1586; by email at [cindi.ptak@dot.gov](mailto:cindi.ptak@dot.gov); or by mail at Federal Highway Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. For legal questions, contact Ms. Vivian Philbin, Office of the Chief Counsel, by telephone at (720) 963-3445; by email at [vivian.philbin@dot.gov](mailto:vivian.philbin@dot.gov); or by mail at Federal Highway Administration, Central Federal Lands Highway Division, 12300 West Dakota Avenue, Lakewood, CO 80228. Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. m.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Electronic Access

You may retrieve a copy of the notice through the Federal eRulemaking portal at: <http://www.regulations.gov>. The Web site is available 24 hours each day, every day of the year. Electronic submission and retrieval help and guidelines are available under the help section of the Web site.

An electronic copy of this document may also be downloaded from Office of the Federal Register's home page at: [http://www.archives.gov/federal\\_register](http://www.archives.gov/federal_register) and the Government Printing Office's Web page at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov>.

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## I. Background

On July 6, 2012, President Obama signed into law MAP-21 (Pub. L. 112-141), which authorizes TTPSF as a set aside of not more than 2 percent of the funds made available under the TTP for each of Federal Fiscal Years (FY) 2013 and 2014. Section 202(e) of title 23, United States Code (U.S.C.), provides that the funds are to be allocated based on an identification and analysis of highway safety issues and opportunities on tribal lands, as determined by the Secretary, on application of the Indian tribal governments for eligible projects described in 23 U.S.C. 148(a)(4). Eligible projects described in section 148(a)(4) include strategies, activities, and projects on a public road that are consistent with a State strategic highway safety plan and correct or improve a hazardous road location or feature, or address a highway safety problem.

Section 202(e) further specifies that in applying for TTPSF, an Indian tribal government, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior and, as appropriate, with a State, local government, or metropolitan planning organization, shall select projects from the transportation improvement program (TIP), subject to the approval of the Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of the Interior.