

licenses, permits and/or approvals for the project.

**DATES:** By this notice, FHWA, on behalf of UDOT, is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(I)(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 February 20, 2020. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eric Hansen, Region 4 Environmental Manager, UDOT Region 4; 210 West 800 South; Richfield, Utah 84701; (435) 772-6628; email: [erichansen@utah.gov](mailto:erichansen@utah.gov). UDOT's normal business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Mountain Time Zone), Monday through Friday, except State and Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Effective July 1, 2008 and renewed on July 1, 2011, June 30, 2014, and June 23, 2017, FHWA assigned, and UDOT assumed, certain responsibilities of FHWA for environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws and regulations for highway projects in Utah, pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 326. Actions taken by UDOT on FHWA's behalf pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 326 constitute Federal agency actions for purposes of Federal law. Notice is hereby given that UDOT has taken final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(I)(1) by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the Washington Parkway; Green Springs Dr. to I-15 project in the State of Utah.

The project proposes to extend Washington Parkway from North Green Springs Drive to I-15, Exit 13 to improve transportation mobility and provide an alternate collector route from I-15 to the Green Springs community in Washington City. The new proposed roadway pavement will be approximately 2.75 miles long with two travel lanes and shoulders for an approximate width of 32 feet. These improvements were identified in the Categorical Exclusion prepared for the project by UDOT. The project is included in UDOT's adopted 2019-2024 State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) as project number F-R499(326) and is scheduled for construction to begin in fiscal year 2019, being let as a design-bid-build contract. The project is also included in the Dixie Metropolitan Planning Organization's adopted 2015-2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)—Amendment #2 (March 2018).

The actions by UDOT, and the laws under which such actions were taken,

are described in the Categorical Exclusion (CE) for the project (Washington Parkway; Green Springs Dr. to I-15 in Washington County, Utah, Project No. F-R499(326)) approved on August 26, 2019 and other documents in the UDOT project records. The CE and other project records are available for review by contacting UDOT at the address provided above. This notice applies to the CE, the NHPA Section 106 review, the Section 4(f) determination, the Endangered Species Act determination, the Noise Assessment, and all other UDOT and federal agency decisions and other actions with respect to the project as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to the following laws (including their implementing regulations):

1. *General:* National Environmental Policy Act [42 U.S.C. 4321-4351]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109 and 23 U.S.C. 128]; Map-21, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act [Pub. L. 112-141].

2. *Air:* Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401-7671(q)].

3. *Land:* Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303]; Landscaping and Scenic Enhancement (Wildflowers) [23 U.S.C. 319].

4. *Wildlife:* Endangered Species Act [16 U.S.C. 1531-1544 and Section 1536]; Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661-667(d)]; Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703-712].

5. *Water:* Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1344; E.O. 11990, Protection of Wetlands; Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1342.

6. *Historic and Cultural Resources:* Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [16 U.S.C. 470(f) *et seq.*]; Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 [16 U.S.C. 470(aa)-470(ll)]; Archeological and Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 469-469(c)].

7. *Hazardous Materials:* Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act [42 U.S.C. 9601-9675]; Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act [42 U.S.C. 6901-6992(k)].

8. *Noise:* Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1970, Public Law 91-605 [84 Stat. 1713].

9. *Executive Orders:* E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice and Low-Income Populations.

(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 (I)(1).

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**Brigitte Mandel,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

[4910-22-P]

#### Notice of Intent for an FHWA EIS Project; Environmental Impact Statement: Cherokee County, Texas

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

**ACTION:** Federal notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the publishing authority, FHWA, on behalf of TxDOT, is issuing this notice to advise the public that an EIS will be prepared for a proposed transportation project to construct a US 69 relief route around the City of Jacksonville in Cherokee County, Texas.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carson Hollis, P.E., Advanced Project Development, TxDOT Tyler District, 2709 West Front Street, Tyler, Texas, 75702, telephone: 903-510-9157, email: [Carson.Hollis@txdot.gov](mailto:Carson.Hollis@txdot.gov). TxDOT's normal business hours are 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (central time), Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The environmental review, consultation, and other NOIA actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

TxDOT will prepare an EIS for a proposed US 69 Relief Route around the west side of the city of Jacksonville, TX. There is no existing facility; therefore, the project is proposed on new location. The proposed project is anticipated to be between 10-13 miles long depending on the alignment selected, beginning at existing US 69 just south of Loop 456

and terminating at existing US 69 north of Jacksonville.

The EIS will evaluate a range of build alternatives and a no-build alternative. Possible build alternatives include up to four alignments currently under development based on the 1000-foot recommended corridors identified in the 2018 US 69 Jacksonville Relief Route Study Feasibility Study. These alternatives generally consider alignments along the center, west, and east limits of the corridor with variations at interchanges, but may extend outside the corridor for a portion of the alignment to avoid key environmental features. The northernmost corridor connects with existing US 69 approximately 1.3 miles north of CR 3908, travels on the west side of Jacksonville, and reconnects with existing US 69 at the existing TX 456 Loop. The southernmost corridor connects with existing US 69 at CR 3908 and joins the previously described corridor north of US 175.

TxDOT will issue a single Final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision document pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 139(n)(2), unless TxDOT determines statutory criteria or practicability considerations preclude issuance of a combined document. In accordance with 23 U.S.C. 139, cooperating agencies, participating agencies, and the public will be given an opportunity for continued input on project development. A public scoping meeting is planned for November 2019 in Jacksonville, TX. An agency scoping meeting will also be held with participating and cooperating agencies. The agency and public scoping meetings will provide an opportunity for the participating/cooperating agencies and public to review and comment on the draft coordination plan and schedule, the project purpose and need, the range of alternatives, and methodologies and level of detail for analyzing alternatives. In addition to the agency and public scoping meetings, a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearing.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction.)

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**Michael T. Leary,**

*Director, Planning and Program Development, Federal Highway Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No.: PHMSA-2018-0004; Notice No. 2018-04]

#### Hazardous Materials: Public Meeting Notice for the Research and Development Roundtable

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to inform the interested public that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety (OHMS) of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) will hold a public Research and Development (R&D) Roundtable on October 24, 2019, in Washington, DC. OHMS will host the meeting to provide an overview of its next Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) which will help the agency meet its goals of promoting safety and fostering innovation. The meeting will provide an overview of OHMS' R&D program; internal and external processes behind the BAA; limits of the BAA; and the results of the 2017 BAA. All participants will have an equal chance to provide input for future consideration.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on October 24, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Requests to attend the meeting must be received by October 22, 2019. Requests for accommodations for a disability must be received by October 21, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Transportation Conference Center at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. The DOT requests that attendees pre-register for this meeting by completing the form at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BJMMQYM>. Conference call-in capability will be provided. Specific information about conference call-in meeting access will be posted, when available, at: <https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/research-and-development/hazmat/rd-meetings-and-events> under "Upcoming Events."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eva Rodezno or Rick Boyle, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Development, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC. Telephone: (202) 366-8799 and (202) 366-2993. Email: [eva.rodezno@dot.gov](mailto:eva.rodezno@dot.gov) or [rick.boyle@dot.gov](mailto:rick.boyle@dot.gov).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Background

OHMS' mission is to protect people and the environment from the risks posed by hazardous materials (hazmat) transportation. To this end, OHMS is particularly interested in research gaps associated with:

- Development of New Standards for Bulk and Non-Bulk Packaging
- Improved Materials and Designs for Hazardous Materials Packaging
- Self (Default) Classification of Hazardous Materials and/or Articles
- Improvements to the North American Emergency Response Guidebook
- Charge Storage Device Transportation Safety
- Innovative Technologies to Improve Hazmat Transportation Safety

The meeting will be hosted and facilitated by PHMSA. Meeting participants will include modal authorities and external research partners including other DOT modal partners. OHMS R&D efforts include laboratory testing, analysis, modeling, product and material development, and field testing.

### II. Agenda

The meeting agenda will cover the following topics:

- Safety Briefing and Overview
- Welcome and Administrative Remarks
- Research Gaps: Safety
- Research Gaps: Innovation
- Closing Remarks

### III. Public Participation

The meeting will be open to the public on a first come, first served basis, as space is limited. Members of the public who wish to attend in person must RSVP by filling out the form listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to providing equal access to this meeting for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, such as sign language, interpretation, or other ancillary aids, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 18, 2019, under authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.97.

**William S. Schoonover,**

*Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.*

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