

citizens enrolled in or graduated from technical, vocational (apprenticeship), or professional training programs to participate in a J-visa intern/trainee program provides an opportunity to expand the diversity of exchange visitors and is representative of efforts to ensure J-visa programs are more inclusive. The agreement intends to open the EVP Intern and Trainee categories to a new demographic of exchange visitors and educational institutions.

The Exchange Visitor Program (EVP) currently offers hundreds of Swiss exchange visitors the opportunity to teach, study, train, and conduct research in the United States. However, some Swiss graduates of technical, vocational (apprenticeships), or professional training programs are currently ineligible to participate in the Intern and Trainee categories of the EVP. Under current EVP regulations (22 CFR 62.22(d)(2)), trainees must be foreign nationals who have either a degree or professional certificate from a foreign post-secondary academic institution and at least one year of prior related work experience in their occupational field acquired outside the United States, or five years of work experience in their occupational field acquired outside the United States. Under current regulations (22 CFR 62.22(d)(3)), intern exchange visitors must be enrolled in an accredited foreign degree- or certificate-granting post-secondary academic institution or have recently graduated (within 12 months of program start date) from such an institution.

Switzerland offers vocational education and training programs for approximately 250 different professions. Swiss vocational education and training are predominantly based on a dual education system: practical training (apprenticeships) on three to four days per week at a training institution supplemented by theoretical classes on one to two days per week. In addition, such students attend inter-company courses. These programs would not meet existing education and training regulatory requirements for the Intern and Trainee categories of the EVP.

Under the agreement between the United States and Switzerland, Swiss participants who have a technical, vocational, or professional training (apprenticeship) or a post-secondary background may conduct a four to 18 month-long internship or training program in the United States under the EVP. Under the reciprocal agreement, U.S. participants may train under a work contract in Switzerland for four and 18 months.

Under the agreement, exchange visitors in the U.S. program must be citizens of Switzerland between the ages of 18 and 35. They must wish to obtain training in their field in order to support their career development through a pre-arranged placement at a U.S. private sector or non-profit organization. Under the agreement, participants in the Swiss program must be U.S. citizens aged 18 to 35 and wish to obtain further training in their field through a contract of employment in Switzerland.

Interns from Switzerland on the U.S. program must be enrolled in or have graduated within 12 months of their program start date from a technical, vocational, or professional training (apprenticeship) program or post-secondary institution located outside the United States. Trainees from Switzerland must have graduated from a technical, vocational, or professional training (apprenticeship) program located outside the United States *and* have at least one year of prior related work experience in their occupational field acquired outside the United States *or* have five years of work experience in their occupational field acquired outside the United States. U.S. participants on the Swiss program must be enrolled for at least two years in or graduated from a technical, vocational, or professional training (apprenticeship) program or post-secondary institution in the United States or have graduated from a technical, vocational, or professional training (apprenticeship) program or post-secondary institution in the United States.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact for the I-84/US-89 Interchange Reconstruction in Utah and Final Federal Agency Actions

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

ACTION: Notice of availability and notice of limitations on claims for judicial review of actions.

SUMMARY: The FHWA, on behalf of UDOT, is issuing this notice to announce the availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the

Interstate 84 (I-84)/US-89 Interchange Reconstruction in South Weber City, Uintah City, and South Ogden City, in Weber and Davis Counties, Utah. In addition, this notice is being issued to announce actions taken by UDOT that are final Federal agency actions related to the project referenced above. Those actions grant licenses, permits and/or approvals for the project. The Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) provides details on the Selected Alternative for the proposed improvements.

DATES: This decision became operative on October 11, 2024. By this notice, FHWA, on behalf of UDOT, is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(f)(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 April 4, 2025. 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: Tyler Allen, Environmental Program Manager, UDOT Environmental Services, P.O. Box 143600, Salt Lake City, UT 84114; (801) 997-0080; email: tylerallen@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: The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this action are being, or have been, carried out by UDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated May 26, 2022, and executed by FHWA and UDOT. Actions taken by UDOT on FHWA's behalf pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 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(f)(1) by issuing licenses, permits, and/or approvals for the I-84/US-89 Interchange Reconstruction project in the State of Utah.

The project proposes to reconstruct and reconfigure the I-84/US-89 interchange, constructing a bypass route on US-89 from South Weber Drive (SR-60) to Skyline Drive, constructing a flyover for southbound Harrison Boulevard (SR-203) to US-89, and to improve multimodal transportation networks in the area. The purpose of the project is to provide better mobility by addressing current and future travel demand, improve safety and operations, improve multimodal connectivity routes

and support the local economy by preserving local access.

These improvements were identified in the Environmental Assessment (EA) prepared for the project by UDOT as the Proposed Action. The project is identified in UDOT's adopted 2025–2030 State Transportation Improvement Program as project number 19507 with funding identified for final design and construction. The project is also included in the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) 2023–2050 Regional Transportation Plan approved in May 2024 (latest amendment August 2024) and the WFRC 2024–2029 Transportation Improvement Plan.

The actions by UDOT, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the EA approved on November 21, 2023, and the FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact for I–84/US–89 Interchange Reconstruction Road in Weber and Davis Counties, Utah, Project No. S–I84–6(146)87) approved on October 11, 2024, and other documents in the project records. The EA and FONSI are available for review by contacting UDOT at the address provided above. In addition, these documents can be viewed and downloaded from the project website at <https://udotinput.utah.gov/84-89interchange>. This notice applies to the EA, the FONSI, the section 4(f) determination, the NHPA section 106 review, the Endangered Species Act determination, the noise review and noise abatement determination, 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. 4321–4370m–12]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109 and 23 U.S.C. 128]; 23 U.S.C. 139.

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 [23 U.S.C. 138 and 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], Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661–667d]; Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703–712]; Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act [16 U.S.C. 668–668d].

5. *Historic and Cultural Resources*: National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [54 U.S.C. 300101–307108]; Archaeological Resources

Protection Act of 1979 [16 U.S.C. 470aa–470mm]; Archeological and Historic Preservation Act [54 U.S.C. 312501–312508]; Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act [25 U.S.C. 3001–3013].

6. *Social and Economic*: Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000d–2000d–7]; American Indian Religious Freedom Act [42 U.S.C. 1996]; Farmland Protection Policy Act [7 U.S.C. 4201–4209].

7. *Wetlands and Water Resources*: Clean Water Act [33 U.S.C. 1251–1389]; Coastal Zone Management Act [16 U.S.C. 1451–1465]; Land and Water Conservation Fund Act [54 U.S.C. 200301–200310]; Safe Drinking Water Act [42 U.S.C. 300(f)–300(j)(6)]; Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Act of 1899, as amended [33 U.S.C. 401–418]; Emergency Wetlands Resources Act [16 U.S.C. 3921, 3931]; Flood Disaster Protection Act [42 U.S.C. 4001–4128].

8. *Hazardous Materials*: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act [42 U.S.C. 9601–9675]; Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 [42 U.S.C. 9671–9675]; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act [42 U.S.C. 6901–6992k].

9. *Noise*: Noise Control Act of 1972 [42 U.S.C. 4901–4918].

10. *Executive Orders*: E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management; E.O. 12898 Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514 Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality; E.O. 13112 Invasive Species; E.O. 13985 Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government; E.O. 13990 Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis; E.O. 14008 Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad.

(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 (J)(1).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Bureau of the Fiscal Service

Notice of Rate To Be Used for Federal Debt Collection, and Discount and Rebate Evaluation

AGENCY: Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of rate to be used for Federal debt collection, and discount and rebate evaluation.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of the Treasury is responsible for computing and publishing the percentage rate that is used in assessing interest charges for outstanding debts owed to the Government (The Debt Collection Act of 1982, as amended). This rate is also used by agencies as a comparison point in evaluating the cost-effectiveness of a cash discount. In addition, this rate is used in determining when agencies should pay purchase card invoices when the card issuer offers a rebate. Notice is hereby given that the applicable rate for calendar year 2025 is 5.00 percent.

DATES: January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Department of the Treasury, Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Disbursing and Debt Management, Alternative Payments Division (LC–RM 349B), 3201 Pennsy Drive, Building E, Landover, MD 20785 (Telephone: 202–874–9428).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The rate reflects the current value of funds to the Treasury for use in connection with Federal Cash Management systems and is based on investment rates set for purposes of Public Law 95–147, 91 Stat. 1227 (October 28, 1977), as calculated by the Department of the Treasury's Office of Debt Management. The annual Interest Rate Factors used in determining the Current Value of Funds Rate are based on weekly average Fed funds less 25 basis points for the 12-month period ending every September 30, rounded to the nearest whole percentage, for applicability effective each January 1. Quarterly revisions are made if the annual average, on a moving basis, changes by 2 percentage points.