

related work will now be conducted under the TCG.

BACKGROUND: The Land Transportation Standards Subcommittee (LTSS) was established by the North American Free Trade Agreement's (NAFTA) Committee on Standards-Related Measures to examine the land transportation regulatory regimes in the United States, Canada, and Mexico, and to seek to make certain standards more compatible. The Transportation Consultative Group (TCG) was formed by the three countries' departments of transportation to address non-standards-related issues that affect cross-border movements among the countries, but that are not included in the NAFTA.

The LTSS Working Group on Rail Safety Standards has completed its NAFTA-mandated work, and has determined that safety regulations for rail operating personnel involved in cross-border operations and for locomotives and other rail equipment are mostly compatible. The working group's final report is available for review at the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) at the address below. A working group has been created under the TCG to analyze economic aspects of rail operations and to seek to increase compatibility of certain regulations not covered by the NAFTA's LTSS work program.

MEETINGS AND DEADLINES: The third annual joint LTSS/TCG plenary session will be held June 17-20, 1996, at the Holiday Inn On-the-Bay, 1355 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, California. All LTSS and TCG working groups (with the exception of the TCG working group on Maritime & Ports Policy) will meet during the same week and at the same location. The following working groups continue to operate under the LTSS: Compliance, Driver and Vehicle Standards; Vehicle Weights and Dimensions; Traffic Control Devices for Highways; and Hazardous Materials Standards. Five working groups operate under the TCG: Cross-Border Operations and Facilitation; Rail Safety and Economic Issues; Automated Data Exchange; Science and Technology; and Maritime and Ports Policy.

Also at the same San Diego site, on June 18, from 9:00 a.m. to noon, a listening session will be held for representatives of the truck, bus, rail, and chemical manufacturing industries, transportation labor unions, brokers and shippers, public safety advocates, and others who have notified us of their interest to attend and have submitted copies of their presentations, in English and Spanish, to the address below by May 24. This is an opportunity for

presenters to voice their concerns, provide technical information, and offer suggestions relevant to achieving greater standards compatibility and improving cross-border trade.

A briefing to report on the outcome of the San Diego meetings will be conducted at DOT at the address below, in Room 9230, on July 23, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Interested parties may notify DOT of their interest to attend this briefing by calling the phone number listed below by July 16.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: LTSS-related documents, including working group reports and statements received by DOT from industry associations, transportation labor unions, public safety advocates, and others, will be available for review in Docket no. OST-95-246, at the address below, Room PL-401, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., e.s.t., Monday through Friday, except national holidays.

Address and Phone Numbers

Individuals and organizations interested in participating in the listening session may send notice of their interest and copies of their presentations to Ronald Taylor, U.S. Department of Transportation, OST/X-20, Room 10300, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590. Respondents may also send information by fax at (202) 366-7417.

For additional information, call (202) 366-2892.

Dated: April 29, 1996.
Nancy K. MacRae,
Acting Director, Office of International Transportation and Trade.
[FR Doc. 96-10934 Filed 5-1-96; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 4910-62-P

Federal Aviation Administration

Deadline for Submission of Application for Airport Grant Funds Under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) for Fiscal Year 1996

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces June 30, 1996, as the deadline for having on file with the FAA an acceptable application for airport grant funds under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) for fiscal year 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Stanley Lou, Manager, Programming Branch, Airports Financial Assistance Division, Office of Airport Planning and

Programming, APP-520, on (202) 267-8809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 47105(f) of the Codification of Certain U.S. Transportation Laws as Title 49, United States Code, Public Law No. 103-272, (July 5, 1994), provides that the sponsor of each airport to which entitlement funds are apportioned shall notify the Secretary, by such time and in a form as prescribed by the Secretary, of the sponsor's intent to apply for passenger and cargo entitlement funds. Notification of the sponsor's intent to apply during fiscal year 1996 for any of its entitlement funds, including those unused from prior years, shall be in the form of a project application (SF 424) submitted to the FAA field office no later than June 30, 1996.

This notice is promulgated to expedite and prioritize grants in the final quarter of the fiscal year. Absent an acceptable application by June 30, FAA intends to defer an airport's entitlement funds until the next fiscal year.

Issued in Washington, D.C., April 25, 1996.
Stan Lou,

Manager, Programming Branch.

[FR Doc. 96-10970 Filed 5-1-96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4910-13-M

UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

Training Programs in Bosnia, Request for Proposals; Notice

SUMMARY: The Office of Citizen Exchanges of the United States Information Agency's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announces an open competition for an assistance award. Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 26 CFR 1.501(c)(3)-1 may apply to develop media and parliamentary training programs for Bosnia. Projects should include both in-country and U.S. training programs for professionals in the above-mentioned fields.

Overall grant making authority for this program is contained in the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Public Law 87-256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries * * *; to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests, developments, and achievements of the people of the United States and other