

anticipated from project implementation.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State and local agencies, affected tribes, and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. An open house and new public scoping meeting was held on June 27th, 1996 to provide information and seek public input on the proposed alternatives. An open house and public hearing will be held to receive comments on the draft EIS after it is circulated. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the open house and hearing and the availability of the draft EIS.

To assure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS, or requests to be added to the mailing list should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(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.)

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Environmental Impact Statement: Sarpy and Cass Counties, NE

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR).

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that a supplement to a final environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Sarpy and Cass Counties, Nebraska.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the NDOR, will prepare a supplement to the final environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to improve U.S. Highway 75 in Sarpy and Cass Counties, Nebraska. The original EIS for the improvements (FHWA-Neb-EIS-73-11-F) was approved on June 6, 1979. The proposed improvements to U.S. 75 will provide a divided four-lane, limited access highway along existing alignment between the towns of Nebraska City and Bellevue, Nebraska for a distance of about 48 km (29.8 miles). Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to provide for existing and projected traffic demand and improve upon high accident locations.

The NDOR and FHWA have determined that a supplement to the EIS will be required for the 20 km (12.5 mile) segment from Murray (N-1) to Bellevue (Fairview Road) segment of the U.S. 75 improvements studied in 1994. The supplement will identify those aspects of the project that have changed, as well as those aspects of the existing environmental setting, that have changed since the FEIS was filed 16 years ago. Since the 1979 EIS, the concept is proposed to be revised as follows:

- Murray (N-1) to south edge of Plattsmouth—changed to a four lane rural expressway on existing alignment;
- Through Plattsmouth—suburban signalized four lane expressway; and
- North of Plattsmouth to Bellevue (Fairview Road)—retain four lane highway but increase access control to that of a freeway with access points (Interchanges) at Bay Road and north of LaPlatte Road.

This alternative, a bypass to the west of Plattsmouth, and no action (retain 1979 preferred alternative) are currently being considered.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate federal, state and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal.

An agency scoping meeting was held on April 22, 1996. A public scoping meeting will not be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the public hearing. This draft supplemental EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

To ensure that the full range of issues relating to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA or the Nebraska Department of Roads at the addresses provided above.

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Commercial Vehicle Information Systems and Networks (CVISN) Model Deployment Program

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

ACTION: Request for application (RFA).

SUMMARY: The FHWA is soliciting applications for the CVISN Model Deployment Program. CVISN are information systems that support commercial vehicle operations (CVO). This includes information systems owned and operated by governments, motor carriers, and other stakeholders. CVISN is not a new national information system, but rather a way for existing systems to exchange information through the use of standards and the United States commercially available communications infrastructure. CVISN will enable government agencies, the motor carrier industry, and other parties engaged in commercial vehicle operations, safety, and regulation to exchange information and conduct business transactions electronically. The objectives of CVISN include the following elements:

- a. Distribution of safety information to computers at the roadside to target high risk carriers;
- b. Use of license plate reader(s) at roadside to electronically identify commercial vehicles and carriers to check safety information;
- c. Electronic collection of inspection data from the roadside and uploading to SAFETYNET;
- d. Electronic application for credentials by motor carriers;
- e. Interfacing of State systems to the International Registration Plan (IRP) clearinghouse;
- f. Interfacing of State systems to the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) clearinghouse; and
- g. Electronic clearance at fixed and/or mobile sites.

This RFA has been sent to all State agencies that have major responsibilities for the State transportation system,