

NA-4 will "require south and eastbound turbojet and turbofan aircraft departing from Runway 25L to turn left as soon as safe and practicable". A generally compatible corridor extends south off the west end of Runway 7R/25L between the interstate and the railroad tracks. By directing south and eastbound departures from Runway 25L to make a quick left turn, aircraft should overfly this compatible corridor, thereby avoiding the residential neighborhoods further west. Noise Abatement Measure NA-5 "requires turbojet and turbofan aircraft departing from Runway 7R to hold runway heading through 4 nautical miles from the Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) co-located with the Runway 25L localizer". This procedure is estimated to reduce slightly the population in Cudahy impacted by noise above DNL 65 dBA. Concentration of departures along the runway centerline would reduce single event noise over much of Cudahy without significantly increasing the DNL noise contours along the extended runway centerline. The objective of the modified departure procedure for aircraft departing Runway 19R is to preclude early departure turns to the southeast from Runway 19R, thereby avoiding the heavily populated areas southeast of the airport. The EIS will also prepare updated Noise Exposure Maps (NEM's) for MKE in accordance with the provisions of Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 150, and also evaluate other cumulative or connected actions.

The EIS will evaluate a No-Action alternative, the proposed actions, and other reasonable alternatives that may be identified during the agency and public scoping meetings. The EIS will determine any noise impacts associated with the operation of the proposed runway, and the implementation of the noise abatement measures. In addition to noise impacts, the EIS will determine any impacts on air and water quality, wetlands, ecological resources, floodplains, historic resources, hazardous wastes and coastal zone management.

**PUBLIC SCOPING:** To ensure that the full range of issues related to the proposed projects are addressed and that all significant issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. In order to facilitate public contribution at the scoping meeting, a pre-scoping package is being sent to all known interested parties. Copies may be obtained from the FAA informational contact listed above.

Two scoping meetings are scheduled for Thursday, October 10, 1996. The first meeting will start at 12:30 p.m. for the convenience of Federal, State and local agencies. It will start with a brief presentation describing the Scoping and EIS process, and the proposed project and schedule. Following the meeting, a driving tour of the affected portions of the airport property will be offered to interested individuals. The agency meeting will be held in the East and Center Mitchell Rooms at the Best Western Midway Hotel, located at 5105 South Howell Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The second meeting, for the convenience of the general public, will be held on the same date, at the same location, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This will be an informal meeting where participants will be able to view project related presentation boards and speak directly with FAA, WisDOT and Airport staff.

Written comments and suggestions on the scope may be mailed to the informational contact listed above no later than October 24, 1996.

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## Federal Highway Administration

### Environmental Impact Statement: Rockland County, NY

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), New York State Thruway Authority/Canal Corporation (NYSTA).

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for the proposed construction of landside facilities in Rockland County to support a Rockland County to Manhattan ferry service.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
 Harold J. Brown, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, New York Division, Leo W. O'Brien Federal Building, 9th floor, Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street, Albany, New York, 12207, Telephone (518) 472-4126, or Phillip J. Clark, Director, Design Division, New York State Department of Transportation, W. Averell Harriman State Office Building Campus, 1220 Washington Avenue, Building 5, Albany, New York, 12232,

Telephone (518) 457-6452, or Keith E. Giles, Director/Chief Engineer, New York State Canal Corporation, P.O. Box 189, Albany, New York, 12201-0189, Telephone (518) 436-3055.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with NYSDOT and NYSTA will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and a 4(f) statement related to the use of park lands, if necessary, on a proposal to construct landside facilities to support a high speed ferry service between Rockland County and Manhattan. The purpose of this project is to help alleviate traffic congestion on the Tappan Zee Bridge by providing an alternate form of transportation for commuters. The project may involve the construction of some type of parking facility to accommodate approximately 500 cars; docking facilities; a terminal building; and pedestrian and vehicular access.

Alternatives under consideration include:

1. Rockland Lake State Park to Manhattan
2. Village of Nyack to Manhattan
3. Rockland Lake State Park/Village of Nyack Combination to Manhattan
4. No Ferry, No Build

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 interest in this proposal. It is anticipated that public information meetings will be held in the affected communities. In addition, a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearings. A formal NEPA scoping meeting will be held at Nyack High School on September 30, 1996 at 7:30 PM.

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

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, 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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