

determination does not constitute approval of the applicant's data, information or plans, or a commitment to approve a noise compatibility program or to fund the implementation of that program.

If questions arise concerning the precise relationship of specific properties to noise exposure contours depicted on noise exposure maps submitted under Section 103 of the Act, it should be noted that the FAA is not involved in any way in determining the relative locations of specific properties with regard to the depicted noise contours, or in interpreting the noise exposure maps to resolve questions concerning, for example, which properties should be covered by the provisions of Section 107 of the Act. These functions are inseparable for the ultimate land use control and planning responsibilities of local government. These local responsibilities are not changed in any way under Part 150 or through FAA's review of noise exposure maps. Therefore, the responsibility for the detailed overlaying of noise exposure contours onto the maps depicting properties on the surface rests exclusively with the airport operator which submitted those maps, or with those public agencies and planning agencies with which consultation is required under Section 103 of the Act. The FAA has relied on the certification by the airport operator, under Section 150.21 of the FAR Part 150, that the statutorily required consultation has been accomplished.

The FAA has formally received the noise compatibility program for PDX, also effective on October 22, 1996. Preliminary review of the submitted material indicates that it conforms to the requirements for the submittal of noise compatibility programs, but that further review will be necessary prior to approval or disapproval of the program. The formal review period, limited by law to a maximum of 180 days, will be completed on or before April 21, 1997.

The FAA's detailed evaluation will be conducted under the provisions of 14 CFR Part 150, paragraph 150.33. The primary considerations in the evaluation process are whether the proposed measures may reduce the level of aviation safety, create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce, or be reasonably consistent with obtaining the goal of reducing existing noncompatible land uses and preventing the introduction of additional noncompatible land uses.

Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed program with specific reference to these factors. All

comments, other than those properly addressed to the local land use authorities, will be considered by the FAA to the extent practicable. Copies of the noise exposure maps, the FAA's evaluation of the maps, and the proposed noise compatibility program are available for examination at the following locations:

Federal Aviation Administration, Independence Avenue, SW, Room 615, Washington, D.C.
Federal Aviation Administration, Airports Division, ANM-600, 1601 Lind Avenue, S.W., Renton, Washington, 98055-4056
Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon

Questions may be directed to the individual named above under the heading, **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Issued in Renton, Washington, October 22, 1996.

David A. Field,

Acting Manager, Airports Division, ANM-600, Northwest Mountain Region.

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Notice of Intent To Rule on Application To Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at Louisville International Airport, Louisville, KY

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to rule on application.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Louisville International Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Public Law 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Memphis Airports District Office, 2851 Directors Cove, Suite #3, Memphis, TN 38131-0301.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Robert S. Michael, General Manager of the Regional Airport Authority of Louisville and Jefferson County at the following

address: Regional Airport Authority of Louisville and Jefferson County, P.O. Box 9129, Louisville, KY 40209-0129.

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of written comments previously provided to the Regional Airport Authority of Louisville and Jefferson County under section 158.23 of Part 158.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Southern Region, Memphis Airports District Office, Cager Swauncy, Jr., Project Manager, 2851 Directors Cove, Suite #3, Memphis, TN 38131-0301, (901) 544-3495. The application may be reviewed in person at this location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Louisville International Airport under provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Public Law 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

On October 28, 1996, the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by Regional Airport Authority of Louisville and Jefferson County was substantially complete within the requirements of section 158.25 of Part 158. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than January 28, 1997. The following is a brief overview of the application.

PFC application number: 97-01-C-00-SDF.

Level of the proposed PFC: \$3.00.

Proposed charge effective date: April 27, 1997.

Proposed charge expiration date: April 20, 2005.

Total estimated PFC revenue: \$40,000,000.

Brief description of proposed project(s): Part 150 Approved Property Acquisitions.

Class or classes of air carriers which the public agency has requested not be required to collect PFCs: Air Taxi/ Commercial Operators.

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at the Regional Airport Authority of Louisville and Jefferson County.

Issued in Memphis, Tennessee on October 28, 1996.

LaVerne F. Reid,

Manager, Airports District Office, Southern Region.

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Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Imperial County, CA

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Imperial County, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: C. Glenn Clinton, District Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 980—9th Street, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95814-2724.

TELEPHONE: (916) 498-5037.

INTERNET ADDRESS:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to construct approximately 19.9 km (12.4 miles) of State Routes 78 and 111 in Imperial County and near the City of Brawley from 0.8 km (0.5 miles) south of Baughman Road on State Routes 86 and 78 to 0.5 km (0.3 miles) north of Mead Road on State Route 111. The project is proposed as a four-lane expressway on new location.

Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to provide the final link in continuous four-lane highway access between Interstate 8 in Imperial County and Interstate 10 in Riverside County. This project is part of the primary North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) corridor between the mainland of Mexico and the City of Los Angeles. These improvements are also considered necessary to relieve local congestion and highway safety concerns in the City of Brawley along existing State Routes 78 and 111 which are currently burdened with extensive commercial traffic. Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action; (2) constructing a divided four-lane, controlled access expressway on new location; (3) alignment variations as appropriate to minimize environmental effects of the project.

Within the limits of the study area for this project, various environmental

resources and issues are known to exist and include but are not limited to: wetlands, floodway and floodplain, wildlife habitat, prime farmlands, growth inducement, economic, home and business relocation, noise, changes to vehicle traffic patterns, regional air quality, seismic exposure, land use planning, hazardous waste, and irrigation/drain systems.

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. At least one public meeting will be held in Imperial County to solicit input from the local citizens on alternatives. In addition, a public hearing will be held. Public Notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearing. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

To ensure 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 should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above. The views of agencies having knowledge about historic resources potentially affected by the proposal or interested in the effects of the project on historic properties are solicited

(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.)

Issued on: October 18, 1996.

C. Glenn Clinton,

Chief, District Operations—South Sacramento, California.

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Research and Special Programs Administration

[Notice No. 96-22]

International Standards on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice is to advise interested persons that RSPA will conduct a public meeting in preparation for the nineteenth session of the United Nation's Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (UNCOE) to be held December 2-11, 1996 in Geneva, Switzerland.

DATE: November 22, 1996 at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESS: Room 6244-6248, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Frits Wybenga, International Standards Coordinator, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590; (202) 366-0656.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of this meeting will be to prepare for the nineteenth session of the UNCOE and to discuss U.S. positions on proposals submitted to the nineteenth session of the UNCOE. Topics to be covered during the public meeting include matters related to restructuring the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods into a model rule, international harmonization of classification criteria, review of intermodal portable tank requirements, review of the requirements applicable to small quantities of hazardous materials in transport (limited quantities), classification of individual substances, requirements for bulk and non-bulk packagings used to transport hazardous materials, infectious substances and criteria for environmentally hazardous substances.

The public is invited to attend without prior notification.

Documents

Copies of documents submitted to the nineteenth session of the UNCOE meeting may be obtained from RSPA. A listing of these documents and copies of U.S. proposals is available on the Hazardous Materials Information Exchange (HMIX), RSPA's computer bulletin board. Documents may also be ordered by contacting RSPA's Dockets Unit (202-366-5046). For more information on the use of the HMIX system, contact the HMIX information center; 1-800-PLANFOR (752-6367); in Illinois, 1-800-367-9592; Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Central time. The HMIX may also be accessed via the Internet at hmix.idis.anl.gov.