

Canadian border, concurrence of the Canadian government has been obtained. With this action, this proceeding is terminated.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 30, 1998. A filing window for Channel 282A at Chehalis, Washington, will not be opened at this time. Instead, the issue of opening a filing window for this channel will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon P. McDonald, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 97-7, adopted October 7, 1998, and released October 16, 1998. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractors, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Part 73 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 73—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 73 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Sections 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334, 336.

§ 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Washington, is amended by adding Chehalis, Channel 282A.

Federal Communications Commission.

John A. Karousos,

Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

49 CFR Part 1

[OST Docket No. 1; Amdt. 1-295]

Organization and Delegation of Powers and Duties; Delegation to the Federal Railroad Administrator

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Secretary is delegating his authority to the Federal Railroad Administrator under section 322 to Title 23 of the United States Code. Section 322, titled the Magnetic Levitation Transportation Technology Deployment Program, was added by section 1218 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, Public Law 105-178 (June 9, 1998). Section 322 provides a total of \$55 million for Fiscal Years 1999 through 2001 for preconstruction planning activities, final design, engineering, and construction activities for maglev deployment; \$15 million is available in Fiscal Year 1999 and \$40 million for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001. Also, section 322 authorizes—but does not appropriate—additional Federal funds of \$950 million for final design and construction of the most promising project. The authority of the Secretary in section 322 to make financial assistance available to states through the establishment of eligibility criteria, solicitation of applications, and the selection of projects for funding should be delegated to the Federal Railroad Administrator because FRA has the expertise and staff to carry out this program in accordance with the statutory requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 28, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gareth W. Rosenau, Office of Chief Counsel (RCC-20), Federal Railroad Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW. (Stop 10), Washington, DC 20590. Phone: (202) 493-6054.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Since this amendment relates to departmental organization, procedure and practice, notice and comment on it are unnecessary under 5 U.S.C. 553(b). Further, since the amendment expedites the Federal Railroad Administration's ability to meet the statutory deadlines of the Magnetic Levitation Transportation Technology Deployment Program, the Secretary finds good cause under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) for the final rule to be effective on the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

List of Subjects in 49 CFR Part 1

Authority delegations (Government agencies), Organization and functions (Government agencies).

In consideration of the foregoing, part 1 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, is amended, effective upon publication, to read as follows:

PART 1—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 1 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 322; Public Law 101-552, 28 U.S.C. 2672, 31 U.S.C. 3711(a)(2).

2. In § 1.49 (*Delegations to Federal Railroad Administrator*), the following section (kk) is added at the end thereof.

§ 1.49 Delegations to the Federal Railroad Administration.

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(kk) Carry out the functions and exercise the authority vested in the Secretary by 23 U.S.C. 322, titled the Magnetic Levitation Transportation Technology Deployment Program.

Issued in Washington, DC, this 21st day of October, 1998.

Rodney E. Slater,

Secretary of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

RIN 1018-AE36

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Status for Three Aquatic Snails, and Threatened Status for Three Aquatic Snails in the Mobile River Basin of Alabama

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) determines the cylindrical lioplax (*Lioplax cyclostomaformis*), flat pebblesnail (*Lepyrium showalteri*), and plicate rocksnail (*Leptoxis plicata*) to be endangered species; and the painted rocksnail (*Leptoxis taeniata*), round rocksnail (*Leptoxis ampla*), and lacy elimia (*Elimia crenatella*) to be threatened species under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). These aquatic snails are found in localized portions of the Black Warrior, Cahaba, Alabama, and Coosa rivers or their tributaries in central Alabama. Impoundment and water quality degradation have eliminated the six snails from 90 percent or more of their historic habitat. Surviving populations are currently threatened by pollutants such as sediments and nutrients that wash into streams from the land surface. This action implements the protection of the Act for these six snail species.

DATES: This rule is effective November 27, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The complete file for this rule is available for inspection, by