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Frederick L. Montgomery,

Chairman, Trade Policy Staff Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

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Houston/Galveston Navigation Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of charter renewal.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation has renewed the charter for the Houston/Galveston Navigation Safety Advisory Committee (HOGANSAC) to remain in effect for a period of two years from October 1, 1998, until October 1, 2000. HOGANSAC is a federal advisory committee constituted under 5 U.S.C. App. 1. Its purpose is to provide consultation and advice on matters relating to the transit of vessels and products to and from Galveston Bay, Texas, and the ports of Galveston, Texas City and Houston.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Captain Wayne D. Gusman, Executive Director of HOGANSAC, telephone (713) 671-5199, or Commander Paula Carroll, Executive Secretary of HOGANSAC, telephone (713) 671-5164.

Dated: November 19, 1998.

Paul J. Pluta,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Baltimore County, MD

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 Baltimore County, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. George K. Frick, Jr. Assistant Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, The Rotunda

Suite 220, 711 West 40th Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21211, Telephone: (410) 962-4342.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Maryland State Highway Administration, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for a proposal to provide improved highway access to the Middle River Employment Center (MREC) in Baltimore County, Maryland. The Middle River Employment Center is a designated growth area within Baltimore County intended for industrial and commercial development. The undeveloped portions of the MREC are not accessible at present. A roadway to access these properties is needed in order for the planned development of these properties to occur. The proposed roadway will provide more direct access to interstate commerce routes, promoting the economic growth of the existing businesses within the MREC.

A full range of alternates, which address the need to improve access to the MREC while minimizing impacts to environmental resources, are being considered. The project limits are from existing MD 43 and US 40 to MD 150, a distance of approximately three miles. Alternatives which have been retained for detailed study include a no-build alternative, as well as several build alternatives, all proposing a four-lane, partially access controlled roadway on new location. Modifications and improvements to the existing roadway network were initially considered. However, these improvements were unable to provide the access necessary to adequately promote the development of the MREC without extensive residential relocations and impacts to community facilities.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens and citizen groups who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in this proposal. It is anticipated that a Public Hearing will be held in the Spring of 1999. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to a Public Hearing. Public notice will be given of the availability of the Draft EIS for review and of the time and place of this hearing. An Alternates Public Workshop was held in June 1998.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestion are invited from all interested parties.

Comments or questions concerning these proposed actions and EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research Planning and Construction. The regulation implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation of Federal programs and activities apply to this program).

Issued on: December 4, 1998.

George K. Frick, Jr.,

Assistant Division Administrator, Baltimore, Maryland.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Bernalillo County, NM

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Revised notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a revision to the project boundaries of the Gibson East Transportation Corridor Study. The western terminus of this project has been changed from Interstate 25 to Louisiana Boulevard and the eastern terminus has been changed from Interstate 40 to Central Avenue. The original corridor was 12.9 kilometers or 8.0 miles in length. The revised corridor is 6.1 kilometers or 3.8 miles in length. This revision represents logical termini for the proposed improvements since it basically connects the existing segment from Interstate 25 to Louisiana Boulevard with the existing segment from Central Avenue to Interstate 40. An Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared for the proposed transportation project in Bernalillo County.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gregory D. Rawlings, Environmental Specialist, Federal Highway Administration, 604 W. San Mateo Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, Telephone: (505) 820-2027.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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