

intended to introduce the public to the project and to answer questions about the project schedule and process & scope? The second public meeting is intended to provide a preview of the purpose and need statement and the complete range of alternatives evaluated as part of the alternatives screening process. The dates of the public meetings, the release of the draft EIS, and the date of the public hearing will be announced to the public as such dates are established and will also be available at the project web site.

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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement: Lycoming County, Pennsylvania

**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 Woodward Township and Piatt Township in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

David W. Cough, P.E., Director of Operations, Federal Highway Administration, 228 Walnut Street, Room 536, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101-1720, Telephone: (717) 221-3411; —OR— Eric E. High, P.E., Special Projects Coordinator, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, District 3-0, 715 Jordan Avenue, P.O. Box 218, Montoursville, Pennsylvania 17754-0218, Telephone: (570) 368-4258.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), will prepare

an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to identify and evaluate alternatives for improvements to the U.S. Route 220 corridor between Williamsport and Jersey Shore in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. The proposed action would consist of improvements to U.S. Route 220 between and including its interchanges with PA Route 44 (Main Street) in Jersey Shore and Route 2014 (West Fourth Street) in Williamsport. The approximate project length from the east-west is approximately 13 kilometers (8 miles). Included in the overall project will be the identification of a range of alternatives that meet the identified project needs and supporting environmental documentation and analysis to recommend a selected alternative for implementation. A complete public involvement program is included as part of the project.

Documentation of the need for the project will be prepared. This process will identify the need for roadway improvements through the study area based on local and regional transportation demand, system linkage and continuity, geometry criteria, safety, and local and regional planning.

Alternatives that will be considered may include, but will not be limited to: No Build; transportation system management (TSM) upgrade of the existing facility for short-term improvements; upgrade of existing roadway network, construction of a new roadway on a new alignment, or a mixture of the upgrade and new alignment alternatives for long-term improvements. These alternatives will be the basis for recommendation of alternatives to be carried forward for detailed environmental and engineering studies in the EIS.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and Local agencies, and to public/private organizations and citizens who express interest in this proposal. Public meetings will be held in the area throughout the study process. Public involvement and agency coordination will be maintained throughout the development of the EIS.

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 FHWA or PennDOT at the addresses provided above.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Research and Special Programs Administration

#### Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Applications for Modification of Exemption

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** List of applications for modification of exemptions.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, exemptions from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR part 107, subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the applications described herein. This notice is abbreviated to expedite docketing and public notice. Because the sections affected, modes of transportation, and the nature of application have been shown in earlier **Federal Register** publications, they are not repeated here.

Requests for modifications of exemptions (e.g., to provide for additional hazardous materials, packaging design changes, additional mode of transportation, etc.) are described in footnotes to the application number. Application numbers with the suffix "M" denote a modification request. These applications have been separated from the new applications for exemptions to facilitate processing.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before July 6, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Address comments to Records Center, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a self-addressed stamped postcard showing the exemption number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Copies of the applications are available