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**DATES:** Persons wishing to file objections should do so no later than July 11, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Objections and answers to objections should be filed in Dockets OST-01-11164 and OST-01-11198 and addressed to the Department of Transportation Dockets (SVC-124, Room PL-401), U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, and should be served upon the parties listed in Attachment A to the order.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Howard Serig, Air Carrier Fitness Division (X-56, Room 6401), U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-4822.

Dated: June 27, 2002.

**Read C. Van de Water,**

*Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement: Shasta and Trinity Counties, CA

**AGENCY:** Federal Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed State Route 299 (SR 299) project in Shasta and Trinity Counties, California.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Harry Khani, Transportation Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 980 Ninth Street, Suite 400, Sacramento, California 95814, telephone: (916) 498-5056, e-mail:

*Harry.Khani@fhwa.dot.gov*. Chris Cummings, California Department of Transportation Project Manager, 1657 Riverside Drive, Redding, CA 96049, telephone: (530) 225-3495, e-mail: *chris\_cummings@dot.ca.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), will prepare an EIS for a proposed highway improvement project of SR 299 in Shasta and Trinity Counties, California.

SR 299 is the principal arterial between Interstate 5 and Highway 101 and is designated as a high emphasis route in the Interregional Roadway System. SR 299 is of economic importance to the region as it provides access to a vast recreational area and links the upper Sacramento Valley with the deepwater port in Eureka. The project portion of the highway, the Buckhorn Grade, represents the only obstacle preventing interstate trucks and oversize permit loads from utilizing this direct access to the coast.

The proposed project limits extends approximately 7.5 miles from the boundary of the Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity National Recreation Area to west of the Shasta-Trinity-County line, the existing SR 299 corridor within these limits consists of a two-lane highway with limited passing lanes at various locations. The road closely follows the extremely rugged terrain forming a steep, twisted alignment with a design speed of 25 mph.

The proposed project would construct a new two-lane alignment, with truck climbing lanes, standard shoulders, 50 mph design speed, and maximum 7% grade. Possible alignment variations includes bridges, viaducts, and a possible tunnel at the Buckhorn Summit. The replaced SR 299 alignment would be relinquished or reclaimed (all or part).

Caltrans has been investigating Buckhorn Grade realignment designs of over 40 years. Since the early 1990's four Project Study Reports have been completed. Since 2000, Caltrans has conducted over 11 meetings with the public, with local governmental officials, and with jurisdictional agencies.

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. In addition, a public workshop will be held, with public notice given of the time and location. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public workshop.

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.

(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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**David Nicol,**

*Assistant Division Administrator-California Division, Federal Highway Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Noise Exposure Map Notice; Receipt of Noise Compatibility Program and Request for Review, Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport Brownsville, TX

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its determination that the noise exposure maps submitted by the City of Brownsville for Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport under the provisions of Title 49 U.S.C., Chapter 475 (hereinafter referred to as "Title 49") and 14 CFR Part 150 are in compliance with applicable requirements. The FAA also announces that it is reviewing a proposed noise compatibility program that was submitted for Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport under Part 150 in conjunction with the noise exposure maps and that this program will be approved or disapproved on or before December 22, 2002.

**DATES:** The effective date of the FAA's determination on the noise exposure maps and the start of its review of the associated noise compatibility program is June 25, 2002. The public comment period ends August 24, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Nan L. Terry, Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0650, (817) 222-5607. Comments on the proposed noise compatibility program should also be submitted to the above office.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice announces that the FAA finds that the noise exposure maps submitted for Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements of part 150, effective June 25, 2002. Further, the FAA is reviewing a proposed noise compatibility program for that airport