

(1) Automatic Identification System (AIS) Technology and Training Requirements.

(2) Update on the Great Lakes Pilotage Office Relocation Study.

(3) Update on Bridge Hour Study.

#### Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. If you would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than July 25, 2002. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than July 25, 2002. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, please submit 10 copies to Margie Hegy at the address in the **ADDRESSES** section no later than July 22, 2002.

#### Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: July 9, 2002.

**J.P. Brusseau,**

*Captain, Coast Guard, Acting Assistant Commandant for Marine, Safety, Security, and Environmental Protection.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Surplus Property Release at George M. Bryan Field Airport, Starkville, MS

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to rule on land release request.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of Title 49, U.S.C. Section 47153(c), notice is being given that the FAA is considering a request from the city of Starkville to waive the requirement that a 4.5 acre parcel of surplus property, located at the George M. Bryan Field Airport, be used for aeronautical purposes.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before August 12, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on this notice may be mailed or delivered in triplicate

to the FAA at the following address: Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to The Honorable Mack D. Rutledge, Mayor of Starkville, Mississippi at the following address: City Hall, 101 Lampkin Street, Starkville, MS 38902-0310.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Shumate, Program Manager, Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307, (601) 664-9882. The land release request may be reviewed in person at this same location.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA is reviewing a request by city of Starkville, MS to release 4.5 acres of surplus property at the George M. Bryan Field Airport. The property will be sold in part or in whole commercial or industrial users for fair market value. The property is located on the West side of the airport.

Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the request, notice and other documents germane to the request in person at the city of Starkville, Mississippi.

Issued in Jackson, Mississippi on July 2, 2002.

**Wayne Atkinson,**

*Manager, Jackson Airports District Office, Southern Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Proposed Technical Standard Order—TSO-C39c, Aircraft Seats and Berths

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and requests for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of and request comments on a proposed Technical Standard Order (TSO) C39c, Aircraft Seats and Berths. The proposed TSO-C39c, Aircraft Seats and Berths, prescribes the minimum performance standard (MPS) that a aircraft seat and berth must meet in order to bear the TSO number on its identification plate. Proposed TSO-C39c provides standards for seating systems in transport, rotorcraft, normal and utility airplanes, and acrobatic.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before September 15, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Send all comments on the proposed technical standard order to: Federal Aviation Administration, Aircraft Certification Service, Aircraft Engineering Division, Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, ATTN: Bobbie J. Smith, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Or, deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Bobbie J. Smith, AIR-120, Aircraft Certification Service, Aircraft Engineering Division, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone 202-267-9546.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Comment Invited

Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed TSO listed in this notice by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they desire to the above specified address. Comments received on the proposed TSO may be examined, before and after the comment closing date, in Room 815, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB-10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, weekdays except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments specified above will be considered by the Director of the Aircraft Certification Service before issuing the final TSO.

##### Background

This TSO is proposed to provide minimum performance standards for aircraft seats and berths.

TSO-C39 was originally developed to provide a standard that would serve as a basis for FAA approval to meet the emergency landing loads specified in the airworthiness requirements. Specifically TSO-C39 replaced TSO-C25 as the seat standards when the certification basis for aircraft changed from including a forward crash load of 6g's to 9g's.

TSO-C39 incorporated NAS 809 to provide the criteria that could be used to demonstrate the strength of aircraft seats to the 9g-standard. In 1988, a new requirement for seat strength and performance, commonly called the 16g rule, was promulgated in the Federal Aviation Regulation. The 16g rule was fundamentally different from previous emergency landing conditions as it

included dynamic testing of the seat and occupant protection criteria.

The SAE SEAT Committee was tasked with developing a standard that would provide a basis for meeting the 16g rule. SAE published AS 8049, that was incorporated into TSO-C127 in 1992. TSO-C127a was issued in 1998 after AS 8049A was published to further refine the dynamic seat standard. AS 8049 and AS 8049A contained the criteria for dynamic seats and still included criteria for static strength and design requirements.

Although seats were still being produced to the static 9g-standard in TSO-C39, the seat industry began to increase its production of TSO-C127 and TSO-C127a seats. So there were then, and currently still are, two standards—NAS 809 and AS8049—that addressed static 9g requirements.

In 2000, the FAA and industry formed a team to investigate and implement ways to streamline seat certification. This group recognized that two different standards addressing static strength and design considerations for seats was making the certification process more complicated than it needed to be. Therefore it was proposed that a new revision to TSO-C39 be issued to standardize the state criteria portion of the two standards.

It was decided that this could be successfully accomplished by referencing the static portion of AS 8049A for the proposed revision to TSO-C39. This will bring TSO-C39 in alignment with TSO-C127 and reflect the way industry currently uses the two standards. Most seat manufacturers are already using the static portion of AS 8049A as a basis for meeting airworthiness requirements not covered by the criteria in TSO-C39. Including the assessment under the TSO program will improve certification schedules. Additionally, AS 8049A continues to be reviewed and updated, and changes to AS 8049 will cover TSO-C127 seats as well as TSO-C39 seats.

#### How To Obtain Copies

A copy of the proposed TSO may be obtained via the information contained in section titled **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, or the Internet at <http://www.faa.gov/certification/aircraft/TSOA.htm>.

Issued in Washington, DC on July 8, 2002.

#### David Hempe,

Manager, Aircraft Engineering Division  
Aircraft Certification Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement; Dubuque County, IA

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

**ACTION:** Notice of intent (Cancellation).

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that the Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) as it relates to National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) for the proposed U.S. 20 Capacity Improvement Study in Dubuque County, Iowa is canceled. The NOI was originally published in the **Federal Register** on April 23, 2001. The cancellation is based on budget considerations for this project.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Manu M. Chacko, Transportation Engineer, FHWA, 105 6th Street, Ames, IA 50010-6337, (515) 233-7307. James P. Rost, Director, Office of Location and Environment, Iowa Department of Transportation, 800 Lincoln Way, Ames, IA 50010, (515) 239-1798.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Electronic Access

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded using a modem and suitable communications software from the Government Printing Office's Electronic Bulletin Board Service at (202) 512-1661. Internet users may reach the Federal Register's home page at: <http://www.nara.gov/fedreg> and the Government Printing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

#### Background

The NOI was originally published in the **Federal Register** on April 23, 2001. The cancelled EIS would have studied capacity improvements for U.S. 20 between the Peosta Interchange and Devon Drive in the City of Dubuque in Dubuque County, Iowa. Due to budget constraints, this project has been postponed.

Comments or questions concerning this proposed action should be directed to the Iowa Department of Transportation or FHWA at the address provided in the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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

(Authority: 23 U.S.C. 315; 49 CFR 1.48)

Dated: June 25, 2002.

**Bobby W. Blackmon,**

Division Administrator, Ames, Iowa.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### U.S. 285 Notice of Intent

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent and public scoping meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for proposed transportation improvements to U.S. 285 from Foxton Road to Bailey in Jefferson and Park Counties, Colorado.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Scott Sands, FHWA Colorado Division, 555 Zang Street, Room 250, Denver, CO 80228, Telephone (303) 969-6730, extension 362.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for transportation improvements on U.S. 285 from Foxton Road in Conifer to just south of Bailey, Colorado. The EIS will evaluate the No-Action and Build alternative(s) and determine the estimated costs and potential impacts of each. CDOT will be the local lead agency for the EIS. The project is approximately 15 miles in length. Alternatives that may be evaluated include the No-Action Alternative and various 2, 3 and 4 lane alternatives. A public scoping meeting has been scheduled for July 30, 2002 at the Elk Creek Fire Protection District at 11993 Blackfoot Road in Conifer, CO. Scoping meetings are also planned with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Colorado Division of Wildlife and various local agencies. This effort will build on the results of the U.S. 285 Feasibility Study which was completed in March of 2002.

Written comments on project scope should be sent to: Mr. Kim Patel, Project Manager, CDOT Region One, 18500 East Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO 80111, Telephone: (303) 365-7373.

FHWA, CDOT and other local agencies invite interested individuals, organizations, and federal, state and