DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA Special Committee 186: Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS—B)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special Committee 186 meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAS is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 186: Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS—B).

DATES: The meeting will be held April 5–9, 2004, starting at 9 a.m. (unless stated otherwise).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10a(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 186 meeting. Note: Specific working group sessions will be held on April 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9. The plenary agenda will include:

- April 8–9:
  - Opening Plenary Session (Chairman’s Introductory Remarks, Review of Meeting Agenda, Review/Approval of Previous Meeting Summary)
  - SC–186 Activity Reports
  - WG–1, Operations and Implementation
  - WG–2, Traffic Information Service—Broadcast (TIS–B)
  - WG–3, 1090 MHz Minimum Operational Performance Standard (MOPS)
  - WG–4, Application Technical Requirements
  - WG–5, Universal Access Transceiver (UAT) MOPS
  - WG–6, Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS–B) Minimum Aviation System Performance Standards (MASPS)
  - Review Status—Requirements Focus Group
  - EUROCAE WG–51 Activity Report
  - Briefing—Australian ADS–B air-ground
  - Closing Plenary Session (Date, Place and Time of Next Meeting, Other Business, Review Actions Items/Work Program, Adjourn)

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 2, 2004.

Robert Zoldos,
FAA System Engineer, RTCA Advisory Committee.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice To Rescind a Notice of Intent To Prepare a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS): Pulaski County, AK

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Rescind notice of intent to prepare a SDEIS.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that the Notice of Intent published on February 18, 1999, to prepare a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) for a proposed highway project in Pulaski County, Arkansas, is being rescinded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randal J. Looney, Environmental Specialist, Federal Highway Administration, Arkansas Division, 700 West Capitol Avenue, Room 3130, Little Rock, Arkansas, 72201–3298, Telephone: (501) 324–6430.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The FHWA, in cooperation with the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department, is rescinding the notice of intent to prepare a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) on a proposal to construct the North Belt Freeway, a four-lane, divided, fully controlled access facility located on new alignment in northern Pulaski County.

In 1994, a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and a Record of Decision (ROD) identified a selected alignment (1A). However, a portion of this alignment was not compatible with the City of Sherwood’s Master Street Plan, and the project was not included in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) developed by Metroplan, the responsible Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). On February 18, 1999, FHWA published a NOI to prepare a SDEIS as part of the development process for the construction of this proposed freeway project.

The proposed project will primarily serve central Arkansas including Little Rock, North Little Rock, Sherwood, Jacksonville, and northern Pulaski County, Arkansas. The SDEIS was to have addressed a new alignment alternative (1B) proposed by the City of Sherwood and three previously studied alternatives located between the Highway 107/Brockington Road interchange and the eastern boundary of Camp Robinson near Maryland Avenue and Batesville Pike. The three previously studied alternatives were evaluated in the project’s Draft EIS in 1991 and in the project’s Final EIS in 1994.

The SDEIS was to focus on a limited study area between Batesville Pike and Brockington Road in northern Pulaski County, since this is the portion of the proposed corridor where several alternative alignments were still being considered. The remaining portions of the selected and approved North Belt Freeway alignment to the east toward Highway 67 and to the west through Camp Robinson ending at the I–40/I–430 interchange were to be reviewed only to a level necessary to document if any substantial changes have taken place since the completion and approval of the project’s FEIS and ROD.