

statistical data from the existing files of State agencies. The data includes motor-vehicle registration and fees, motor-fuel use and taxation, driver licensing, and highway taxation and finance. Federal, State, and local governments use the data for transportation policy discussions and decisions. Motor-fuel data are used in attributing receipts to the Highway Trust Fund and subsequently in the apportionment formulas that are used to distribute Federal-Aid Highway Funds. The data are published annually in the FHWA's Highway Statistics and Our Nation's Highways. Information from Highway Statistics is used in the joint FHWA and Federal Transit Administration required biennial report to Congress, The Status of the Nation's Highways, Bridges, and Transit: Conditions and Performance Report to Congress, which contrasts present status to future investment needs.

Respondents: State and local governments of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the four territories (American Samoa, Guam, Northern Marianas, and Virgin Islands).

Estimated Average Burden Per Response: The estimated average reporting burden per response for the annual collection of the data is 825.6 hours for the States and the District of Columbia; and 20 hours for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and each of the four territories.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The estimated total annual burden for all respondents is 42,206 hours.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this Information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that burdens could be minimized, including use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Electronic Access: Internet users may access all comments received by the U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, by using the universal resource locator (URL): <http://dms.dot.gov>. It is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Please follow the instructions online for more information and help. Internet users may reach the **Federal Register's** Home Page <http://www.nara.gov/fedreg> and the Government Printing Office's

database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice To Rescind Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement: Benton County, MO

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Rescind Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that we are rescinding the Notice Of Intent (NOI) to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for a proposed project in central Missouri. The NOI was published in the **Federal Register** on April 20, 1994. This rescission is based on a reduction in scope from the 1994 proposal to build a 17.5-mile, four-lane relocation of U.S. Route 65 in Benton County.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy J. Casey, Environmental Projects Engineer, FHWA Division Office, 3220 West Edgewood, Suite H, Jefferson City, MO 65109; Telephone: (573) 638-2620 or Mr. Kevin Keith, Chief Engineer, Missouri Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102, Telephone: (573) 751-2803.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This project as now proposed involves widening approximately 15 miles of U.S. Route 65 in Benton County, Missouri, from two lanes to four lanes with consideration of relocation in the vicinity of Lincoln. We will also consider a two plus one improvement, which calls for two lanes with the addition of a passing lane, where needed. The proposed project begins south of the Missouri Route 52 South Junction and proceeds southward to the Missouri Route 7 North Junction at Warsaw.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway 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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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Boone County and the City of Columbia, MO

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 (EIS) will be prepared for proposed improvements between the I-70 and State Route Z interchange and the U.S. Route 63 and State Route AC interchange in Boone County and the City of Columbia, Missouri.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Peggy J. Casey, Environmental Projects Engineer, FHWA Division Office, 3220 West Edgewood, Suite H, Jefferson City, MO 65109, Telephone: (573) 638-2620 or Mr. Dave Nichols, Director of Project Development, Missouri Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102, Telephone: (573) 751-4586.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), will prepare an EIS for a proposal for improvements between the I-70 and State Route Z interchange and the U.S. 63 and State Route AC interchange in Boone County and the City of Columbia, Missouri. A location study will run concurrently with the preparation of the EIS and will provide definitive reasonable alternatives for evaluation in the EIS. The proposed action will accomplish several goals: (1) Improve safety, (2) decrease congestion, and (3) support community regional development.

The proposed project will include improvements to be located within a study area defined by U.S. Route 63 on the west, State Route PP (Clark Lane) on the north, State Route AC on the south, and State Route Z on the east. The study area is approximately 5 miles in length and 4 miles in width. Known potential impacts include residential and/or commercial relocations and access changes. A Department of Army Section