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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Title: Innovative Bridge Research and Deployment (IBRD) Program**

*Background*

Congress established the Innovative Bridge Research and Construction program, the predecessor of the IBRD program, in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) (Pub. L. 105-178). The IBRC program was continued in SAFETEA-LU, but was renamed as the IBRD program. Funds are provided to the States under as the IBRD program to pay the Federal share of the cost of projects that demonstrate innovative accelerated bridge design and construction technology and the application of innovative material technology in the repair, rehabilitation, replacement, or new construction of bridges and other highway structures. For each of the fiscal years 2005 through 2009, approximately \$13.1 million will be available. For FY 2006, approximately \$2.2 million is available for the IBRC program, and approximately \$5.1 million for the IBRD program after reduction of funds pursuant to the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, and the District of Columbia, independent Agencies Appropriations Act 2006 (Pub. L. 109-115, Nov. 30, 2005) the Department of Defense, Appropriations Act 2006 (Pub. L. 109-148, Dec. 30, 2005), and Section 5202(b)(3)(B) of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The IBRD activities include identification and selection of candidate projects from 50 State DOTs, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia, which meet one or more goals of the program as established by the Congress. Approximately 25 projects will be selected that meet one or more program goals as follows:

A. The development of new, cost-effective, innovative highway bridge applications;

B. The development of construction techniques to increase safety and reduce construction time and traffic congestion;

C. The development of engineering design criteria for innovative products, materials, and structural systems for use in highway bridges and structures;

D. The reduction of maintenance costs and life-cycle costs of bridges, including

costs of new construction, replacement or rehabilitation of deficient bridges;

E. The development of highway bridges and structures that will withstand natural disasters;

F. The documentation and wide dissemination of objective evaluations of the performance and benefits of these innovative designs, materials, and construction methods;

G. The effective transfer of resulting information and technology; and,

H. The development of improved methods to detect bridge scour and economical bridge foundation designs that will withstand bridge scour.

Additional activities include collection of project information; documentation, promotion and wide dissemination of objective evaluations of the performance and benefits of these innovative designs, materials, and construction methods resulting from the project studies.

*Respondents:* 50 State Departments of Transportation, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

*Frequency:* Annual.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* It is estimated that a total of 100 responses will be received to give us a total annual burden of 100 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 the estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the 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.

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

**James R. Kabel,**

*Chief, Management Programs and Analysis Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Highway Administration**

**Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on Proposed Highways in South Carolina**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of limitation on claims for judicial review of actions by FHWA and other Federal agencies.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces actions taken by the FHWA and other Federal agencies that are final within the meaning of 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). The actions relate to various proposed highway projects in the State of South Carolina. Those actions grant licenses, permits, and approvals for the projects.

**DATES:** By this notice, the FHWA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency actions on any of the listed highway projects will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before December 18, 2006. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 180 days for filing such claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Lee, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 1835 Assembly Street, Suite 1270, Columbia, SC 29201; Telephone: (803) 253-3887; e-mail: [bob.lee@fhwa.dot.gov](mailto:bob.lee@fhwa.dot.gov). The FHWA South Carolina Division Office's normal business hours are 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Time). You may also contact Mr. J. Berry Still, P.E., South Carolina Department of Transportation, 955 Park Street, P.O. Box 191, Columbia, SC 29202-0191; Telephone: (803) 737-9967; e-mail: [StillJB@scdot.org](mailto:StillJB@scdot.org).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the FHWA and other Federal agencies have taken final agency actions by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the highway project in the State of South Carolina that is listed below. This project will complete the connection from I-26 to the southwest of Summerville, contribute to an improvement in the overall safety on surrounding roads, and assist in providing congestion relief. The actions by the Federal agencies on a project, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the documented environmental assessment (EA) and Finding of Significant Impact (FONSI) issued in connection with the project, and in other documents in the FHWA administrative record for the project.

The EA, FONSI and other documents from the FHWA administrative record files for the listed project are available by contacting the FHWA or the SCDDOT at the addresses provided above.

This notice applies to all Federal agency decisions on the listed project as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

1. *General*: National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321–4351]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109].

2. *Air*: Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401–7671(q).

3. *Land*: Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303]; Landscaping and Scenic Enhancement (Wildflowers), 23 U.S.C. 319.

4. *Wildlife*: Endangered Species Act [16 U.S.C. 1531–1544 and Section 1536], Marine Mammal Protection Act [16 U.S.C. 1361], Anadromous Fish Conservation Act [16 U.S.C. 757(a)–757(g)], Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661–667(d)], Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703–712], Magnuson-Stevenson Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976, as amended [16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*].

5. *Historic and Cultural Resources*: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [16 U.S.C. 470(f) *et seq.*]; Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 [16 U.S.C. 470(aa)–11]; Archeological and Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 469–469(c)]; Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) [25 U.S.C. 3001–3013].

6. *Social and Economic*: Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000(d)–2000(d)(1)]; American Indian Religious Freedom Act [42 U.S.C. 1996]; Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) [7 U.S.C. 4201–4209].

7. *Wetlands and Water Resources*: Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251–1377 (Section 404, Section 401, Section 319); Coastal Barrier Resources Act, 16 U.S.C. 3501–3510; Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1451–1465; Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), 16 U.S.C. 4601–4604; Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. 300(f)–300(j)(6); Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, 33 U.S.C. 401–406; Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, 16 U.S.C. 1271–1287; Emergency Wetlands Resources Act, 16 U.S.C. 3921, 3931; TEA–21 Wetlands Mitigation, 23 U.S.C. 103(b)(6)(m), 133(b)(11); Flood Disaster Protection Act, 42 U.S.C. 4001–4128.

8. *Hazardous Materials*: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability

Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601–9675; Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA); Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. 6901–6992(k).

9. *Executive Orders*: E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management; E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514 Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality; E.O. 13112 Invasive Species.

The project subject to this notice is: *Project Location*: Berlin Myers Parkway—Phase 3 is the third and final phase of the Berlin Myers Parkway. This project will complete the connection from I–26 to the southwest of Summerville, contribute to an improvement in the overall safety on surrounding roads, and assist in providing congestion relief. An EA was issued on June 8, 2005 and a FONSI was issued on May 31, 2006.

(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.)

**Authority**: 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).

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**Robert Lee,**

*Division Administrator, FHWA—SC Division, Columbia, SC.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA–2006–24673]

#### Notice of Intent To Survey and Observe Medical Examiners Who Certify the Physical Qualifications of Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers

**AGENCY**: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

**ACTION**: Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY**: FMCSA announces its plan to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval of an information collection (IC) associated with the Agency's Medical Examiner Performance Study. This information

collection effort would gather survey, on-site observation, and interview data on the decisionmaking process of medical examiners (MEs) (which include, but are not limited to, medical doctors, doctors of osteopathy, doctors of chiropractic, physician assistants, and advanced practice nurses) who conduct FMCSA physical examinations of commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers. The survey would consist of a sample of the several different practitioner types for the purpose of assessing ME knowledge of key elements required for CMV interstate driver certification. The survey would also provide these medical practitioners with an opportunity to report perceived difficulties associated with the CMV driver physical examination process. Site visits would allow for the interview and observation of medical examiners during the actual physical examination and certification decisionmaking process.

**DATES**: Comments must be received on or before August 18, 2006.

**ADDRESSES**: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Management System (DMS) Docket Number FMCSA–2006–24673 using any of the following methods:

- *Web site*: <http://dmses.dot.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.

- *Fax*: 1–202–493–2251.

• *Mail*: Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL–401, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

• *Hand Delivery*: Room PL–401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

• *Federal eRulemaking Portal*: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

*Instructions*: All submissions must include the Agency name and docket number for this notice. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://dms.dot.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

*Docket*: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time or Room PL–401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except