

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement; Cobb, Fulton, and DeKalb Counties, Georgia**

**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 a proposed combined highway and transit project on I-285 in Cobb, Fulton, and DeKalb Counties, Georgia.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Wayne Fedora, P.E., Urban Transportation Engineer, FHWA, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Suite 17T100, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, Telephone: (404) 562-3651; Mrs. Myra R. Immings, Community Planner, Federal Transit Administration, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Suite 17T50, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, Telephone: (404) 562-3508; Mr. Harvey Keepler, State Environmental/Location Engineer, Georgia Department of Transportation, 3993 Aviation Circle, Atlanta, Georgia 30336, Telephone: (404) 699-4401; or Mr. Marvin Woodward, Director of Projects and Planning, Georgia Regional Transportation Authority, 245 Peachtree Center Avenue, NE., Suite 900, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, Telephone: (404) 463-3099.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Georgia Department of Transportation, and the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority, will prepare an EIS on a combined highway and transit proposal along I-285 from I-75 in Cobb County to I-85 in DeKalb County, a length of approximately 17 miles. Alternatives under consideration include (1) No Action or No-Build, (2) transportation systems management (TSM), (3) using alternate modes, and (4) various highway and transit build alternatives including high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, bus rapid transit (BRT), truck only lanes, auxiliary lanes, collector-distributor lanes, and interchange improvements along I-285, as well as various improvements on adjacent and intersecting routes along the corridor.

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. A series of public meetings and a public hearing will be held. The Draft EIS will be available for public and agencies review and comments prior to the public hearing. To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed project is addressed and all significant issues are identified, formal scoping will be initiated. In addition, we invite all interested parties to submit comments and suggestions. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(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. Georgia's approved clearinghouse review procedures apply to this program.)

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement; San Bernardino County, CA**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public of its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed U.S. 395 Realignment Freeway/Expressway project on U.S. 395 from the Interstate 15 (I-15)/U.S. 395 interchange to Farmington Road. Part of the realignment would go through the cities of Oak Hills, Hesperia, Victorville, Adelanto and incorporated areas of San Bernardino County, California.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tay Dam, Senior Project Development Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 888 South Figueroa, Suite 1850, Los Angeles, CA, 90017. Telephone: (213) 202-3954. Boniface Udotor, California Department of Transportation District 8, 464 W. Fourth Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401. Telephone: (909) 383-1387.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation, District 8, will prepare an EIS to realign U.S. 395 from the I-

15/U.S. 395 interchange to Farmington Road. The proposed U.S. 395 Realignment Freeway/Expressway corridor to be evaluated is located either on existing U.S. 395 or west of existing U.S. 395, through the cities of Oak Hills, Hesperia, Victorville, Adelanto and incorporated areas of San Bernardino County. The entire proposed project length is approximately 45.0 miles long. A preferred alternative has not been selected at this point. All build alternatives begin at the I-15 U.S. 395 interchange and would extend to Farmington Road.

The viable alternatives in the environmental analysis consist of an existing alignment and two realignments upgrading U.S. 395 from a two-lane highway to a six-lane freeway/four-lane expressway configuration. The six-lane freeway portion of the proposed existing alignment/realignments would start at the I-15/U.S. 395 junction and ends at Purple Sage Street. The expressway portion for the proposed action would continue from Purple Sage Street to Farmington Road. The build alternatives will include construction of new interchanges. For consideration in the EIS, the following four alternatives will be analyzed:

- *Alternate A: No Build.* This Alternative consists of no change to existing facilities along the proposed project portion of the U.S. 395 corridor.
- *Alternate D: Existing Alignment.* The Existing Alignment Alternative follows the existing alignment or a slightly offset alignment throughout the project limits.
- *Alternate F: Realignment West of Existing Corridor.* This Alternative proposes to realign the corridor from the I-15/U.S. 395 interchange to Farmington Road. This realignment heads northwest in the vicinity of the Oak Hills Community and the Union Pacific Railroad, and then continues in a northerly direction just west of Caughlin Road within San Bernardino County limits and traversing the western portions of the City of Adelanto, where it converges back to paralleling the existing U.S. 395 alignment for the remainder of the project limits.
- *Alternate G: Realignment West of Existing Corridor along Oro Grande Wash.* This alternative consists of a realignment detaching from existing the I-15/U.S. 395 interchange, where immediately crosses the Union Pacific Railroad within the first 1½ miles heading northeast along the Oro Grande Wash. the realignment continues northeasterly throughout the western portions of the Cities of Hesperia and Victorville and follows in a northerly