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*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### **Notice of Availability of a Record of Decision (ROD) and a Written Reevaluation of the 1999 Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) To Select Another Alternative for the Location of the Proposed Third Runway, as Analyzed in the FEIS and Approved in the 2000 ROD at Charlotte Douglas International Airport, Charlotte, NC**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of a ROD and a written reevaluation of the FEIS.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is making available a ROD and a Written Evaluation of the FEIS in response to FAA procedure changes that have rendered the previously approved third runway unable to accomplish the purpose and need of triple-independent approach operations, thereby minimizing any capacity enhancement that the runway was intended to accomplish. Charlotte Douglas International Airport, Charlotte, North Carolina, has therefore proposed acceptance of another alternative located 600 feet west of the previously approved runway location that was fully analyzed in the EIS as Alternative 5 and that meets the current FAA Airport Design Standards.

*Point of Contact:* Mr. Scott Seritt, Manager, Airports District Office, Southern Region Federal Aviation Administration, 1701 Columbia Avenue, College Park, GA 30337-2747, (404) 305-7151.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of availability is given of a ROD and a Written Reevaluation of the FEIS to select another alternative for the location of the proposed third runway, as analyzed in the FEIS and approved in the 2000 ROD at Charlotte Douglas

International Airport, Charlotte, North Carolina. The new runway location is 600 feet west of the previously approved site, and was fully analyzed as Alternative 5 in the FEIS. The purpose of the ROD and Written Reevaluation was to evaluate potential environmental impacts arising from the approval of the location previously analyzed as Alternative 5 in the FEIS that may not have existed at the time of the original analysis.

These documents will be available during normal business hours at the following locations:

FAA Atlanta Airports District Office, 1701 Columbia Avenue, Campus Building 2-260, College Park, GA 30337-2747 (Due to current security requirements, arrangements must be made with the point of contact prior to visiting these offices.);

Charlotte Douglas International Airport, P.O. Box 19066, Charlotte, NC 28219; Mecklenburg County Library System, Freedom Regional Library, 1516 Alleghany Street, Charlotte, NC 28208;

Mecklenburg County Library System, Main Branch, 310 North Tyron Street, Charlotte, NC 28202;

Mecklenburg County Library System, West Blvd. Branch, 2157 West Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28208;

Mecklenburg County Library System, 13620 Steele Creek Rd., Charlotte, NC 28273.

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**Scott Seritt,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2006-25474]

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments for New Information Collection**

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA has forwarded the information collection request described in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval of a new information collection. We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on June 2, 2006. We are

required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Please submit comments by September 14, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments within 30 days to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer. 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 burden; (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. All comments should include the Docket number FHWA-2006-25474.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bethaney Bacher, 202-366-4196, or Matthew Leffler Schulman, 202-366-1929, Office of Natural & Human Environment, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Evaluate the Effects of National Scenic Byways Program Grants.

*Background:* Title 23, Section 162 of the United States Code describes the creation of the National Scenic Byways Program. This legislation was most recently amended in 2005 upon passage of the P.L. 109-59 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act—A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The legislation also includes provisions for review and dissemination of grant monies by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation. Grant applications are solicited on an annual basis. Eligible projects are on State designated byways, National Scenic Byways and All-American Roads, or Indian tribe scenic byways. Applications are completed by Federal, State, or local governmental agencies; Tribal governments; and non-profit organizations. The application information is collected electronically via the online Grant system and used to determine project eligibility. We are seeking approval from OMB for the forms used to collect the application information and used on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). Additional information on the National Scenic Byways Program

and its grant program is available at [www.bywaysonline.org](http://www.bywaysonline.org).

**Respondents:** An estimated total of 60, to include 50 State Departments of Transportation, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, Federal Land Management Agencies, State and local governments, non-profit agencies and Tribal Governments. It is estimated that 400 applications will be received annually.

**Frequency:** Annual.

**Estimated Average Burden per Response:** 40 hours.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 16,000 hours.

**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>, 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Please follow the instructions online for more information and help.

**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 Transit Administration

[Docket No. FTA-2006-24143]

#### Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program; Tribal Transit Program

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability; Solicitation of grant applications for FY 2006 tribal Transit Program Funds.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice accomplishes several purposes. First, the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) summarizes and responds to written comments FTA received in response to a March 22, 2006, **Federal Register** Notice regarding proposed grant program provisions for this new program and to oral comments FTA received during two announced public meetings on this program that were held on April 4, 2006, in Denver, Colorado, and on April 7, 2006, in Kansas City, Missouri. Second, this Notice announces the availability of funds in fiscal year (FY) 2006 for the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations

Program, a new program authorized by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users. Finally, this Notice announces a national solicitation for applications, with grantees and projects to be selected on a competitive basis; the grant terms and conditions that will apply to this new program; and grant application procedures and selection criteria for FY 2006 projects.

**ADDRESSES:** This announcement is available on the FTA's Web site at: <http://www.fta.dot.gov>. FTA will announce final selections on the Web site and in the **Federal Register**. A synopsis of this announcement will be posted on the governmentwide electronic grants Web site at: <http://www.GRANTS.GOV>. Applications may be submitted in one of three ways: electronically through [GRANTS.GOV](http://www.GRANTS.GOV), in hard copy to Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 9315, Washington, DC 20590, Attention: Lorna R. Wilson; or sending by e-mail to [fta.tribalprogram@dot.gov](mailto:fta.tribalprogram@dot.gov).

**DATES:** Complete applications for Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program grants must be submitted in hard copy to the FTA, via e-mail by October 16, 2006, or submitted electronically through the [GRANTS.GOV](http://www.GRANTS.GOV) Web site by October 16, 2006. Anyone intending to apply electronically should initiate the process of registering on the [GRANTS.GOV](http://www.GRANTS.GOV) site immediately to ensure completion of registration before the deadline for submission. FTA will announce grant selections in the **Federal Register** when the competitive selection process is complete.

Applicants should be aware that materials sent through the U.S. Postal Service are subject to significant delays in delivery due to the security screening process. Use of courier or express delivery services is recommended if unable to apply electronically.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact the appropriate FTA regional Tribal Liaison (Appendix A) for application-specific information and issues. For general program information, contact Lorna R. Wilson, Office of Transit Programs, (202) 366-2053, e-mail: [Lorna.Wilson@dot.gov](mailto:Lorna.Wilson@dot.gov). A TDD is available at 1-800-877-8339 (TDD/FIRS).

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#### I. Overview

Section 3013 of SAFETEA-LU amended 49 U.S.C. 5311(c) by establishing the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program (hereinafter referred to as the Tribal Transit Program). This new program authorizes direct grants "under such terms and conditions as may be established by the Secretary" to Indian tribes for any purpose eligible under FTA's Nonurbanized Area Formula Program, 49 U.S.C. 5311. The funding level authorized for this new program will increase from \$8 million in FY 2006 to \$15 million in FY 2009. The Conference Report to SAFETEA-LU indicated that the funds set aside for Indian tribes in the Tribal Transit Program are not meant to replace or reduce funds that Indian tribes receive from States through FTA's Nonurbanized Area Formula Program.