

and Opportunities); and (4) Next Steps in Strategic Planning Activities.

Since access to the U.S. DOT building is controlled, all persons who plan to attend the meeting must notify Ms. Marcia Pincus, the Committee Management Officer, at (202) 366-9230 not later than November 21, 2007. Individuals attending the meeting must report to the 1200 New Jersey Avenue entrance of the U.S. DOT Building for admission. Attendance is open to the public, but limited space is available. With the approval of Ms. Shelley Row, the Committee Designated Federal Official, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Non-committee members wishing to present oral statements or obtain information should contact Ms. Pincus.

Questions about the agenda or written comments may be submitted by U.S. Mail to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Research and Innovative Technology Administration, ITS Joint Program Office, Attention: Marcia Pincus, Room E33-401, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington DC 20590 or faxed to (202) 493-2027. The ITS Joint Program Office requests that written comments be submitted prior to the meeting.

Persons with a disability requiring special services, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact Ms. Pincus at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting.

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Issued in Washington, DC, on the 6th day of November, 2007.

John Augustine,

Managing Director, ITS Joint Program Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Shelby Avenue/Demonbreun Street (Gateway Boulevard) Corridor, Davidson County, TN

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is issuing this notice to advise the public of its intent to prepare a Supplemental

Environmental Impact Statement in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County for the Shelby Avenue/Demonbreun Street (Gateway Boulevard) Corridor in Davidson County, Tennessee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Laurie S. Leffler, Assistant Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration-Tennessee Division Office, 640 Grassmere Park Road, Suite 112, Nashville, TN 37211.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, intends to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (Supplemental EIS) for Shelby Avenue/Demonbreun Street (Gateway Boulevard) Corridor. This project is intended to enhance east-west transportation linkages and improve accessibility to the current Nashville Central Business District (CBD) and for future development in the CBD.

A Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) (FHWA-TN-EIS-96-01-F) for the project was approved and released for public review on July 1, 1998, and a Record of Decision (ROD) was issued on September 15, 1998.

A portion of this project has been constructed. The Korean Veterans Memorial Bridge over the Cumberland River and the section of Gateway Boulevard from 1st Avenue South to 4th Avenue South have been completed and are open to traffic. The Supplemental EIS is being prepared to address the remaining unbuilt portion of the project's selected alignment (Alternative 8) between 4th Avenue South and 13th Avenue South.

Under the selected alternative identified in the ROD, the structurally deficient Demonbreun Street Viaduct would have been demolished and a new structure would have been built across the Railroad Gulch from west of 11th Avenue to the project's western terminus at 13th Avenue. Since issuance of the ROD, the Demonbreun Street Viaduct has been rehabilitated and is no longer considered structurally deficient.

As a result of major land use changes within the original project area since the ROD was issued, the environmental technical studies for the corridor must be updated before the remainder of the project between 4th and 13th Avenues can be advanced. Major new civic

investments in the area include the Country Music Hall of Fame, the Frist Center for the Visual Arts, the Frist Symphony Hall, and Hilton Park. In addition, the previously industrialized Railroad Gulch is being redeveloped with new commercial and office spaces, along with several major high-rise residential developments under construction, and more land use changes in the Gulch anticipated in the near future.

Letters describing the supplemental environmental studies and soliciting input will be sent to the appropriate Federal, State, regional and local agencies that have expressed or are known to have an interest or legal role in this proposal. Private organizations, citizens, and interest groups will have an opportunity to provide input into the development of the Supplemental EIS, and to identify issues that should be addressed. Notices of public meetings or public hearings will be given through various forums, providing the time and place of the meeting along with other relevant information. The Supplemental DEIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to the proposed action are identified and taken into account, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments and questions concerning the proposed action and Supplemental EIS should be directed to FHWA at the address provided above.

Laurie S. Leffler,

Assistant Division Administrator, Nashville, TN.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2007-0008]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel CROWN JEWEL.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Pub. L. 105-383 and Pub. L. 107-295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws