

going to "ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS," clicking on the "Key Cases" link, and then clicking on "Eastern Iowa Industrial Center Rail Project." In addition, the EA is available for inspection at the Main Street Library, which is located at 321 Main Street, Davenport, Iowa 52801-1490. SEA will consider all comments received in making its final recommendations to the Board. The Board will then consider SEA's final recommendations and the complete environmental record in making its final decision in this proceeding.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christa Dean, Attorney and Project Manager, at (202) 245-0299; *e-mail*: christa.dean@stb.dot.gov. Federal Information Relay Service for the hearing impaired: 1-800-877-8339.

DATES: The EA is available for public review and comment. All comments must be submitted or post-marked by November 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Christa Dean, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Room 1108, Washington, DC 20423.

Please reference STB Docket No. 35237 in all correspondence.

Comments on the EA may also be filed electronically on the Board's Web site, <http://www.stb.dot.gov>, by clicking on the "E-FILING" link.

Decided: October 26, 2009.

By the Board, Victoria Rutson, Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis.

Kulunie L. Cannon,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Project Number GAI-0067-01 (004)]

Environmental Impact Statement: Hancock and Pearl River Counties, MS

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Hancock and Pearl River Counties, Mississippi. The project study area will extend a distance of approximately 30 miles from Interstate 10 south of Kiln, MS to Interstate 59 in the vicinity of Picayune, Mississippi.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Claiborne Barnwell, Project Development Team Leader, Federal Highway Administration, 666 North Street, Suite 105, Jackson, MS 39202-3199, Telephone: (601) 965-4217. Contact at the State level is Ms. Kim Thurman, Environmental/Location Division Administrator, Mississippi Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1850, Jackson, MS 39215-1850, *telephone*: (601) 359-7920.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT), will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed widening and/or realignment of State Route 603/43 in Hancock and Pearl River Counties, Mississippi. The proposed improvements are intended to provide a safe and effective hurricane evacuation route while alleviating high levels of congestion and travel delays presently being experienced on the southern terminus of State Route 603/43. This project was initially started in 2008 as an Environmental Assessment. However, due to the complexity of the project and a high number of sensitive wetland and water issues, it has been determined that it is appropriate to convert this project to an EIS.

A Coordination Plan for Agency and Public Involvement will be developed in accordance with Public Law 109-59, SAFETEA-LU, Title VI, Section 6002, Efficient Environmental Reviews for Project Decision Making, August 10, 2005, and will outline the process by which project information will be communicated to the lead, cooperating, participating, other agencies and organizations, and the public. This plan will also identify how input from agencies and the public will be solicited and considered. The coordination Plan is intended to be a flexible and fluid document and will be available at public and agency meetings for review. The purpose of the EIS is to address the transportation, environmental, and safety issues of such a transportation corridor. The proposed transportation project will be studied both for widening of the existing roadway and for the potential for new alignment in some areas and will provide a safer roadway and improve mobility for those traveling from Interstate 10 to Interstate 59. The proposed project will also specifically address traffic concerns in Kiln, Mississippi and how the existing congestion through the town can be best alleviated while preserving sensitive wetland resources. Alternatives under

consideration include (1) taking no action and (2) build alternatives.

The FHWA and MDOT are seeking input as a part of the scoping process to assist in determining and clarifying issues relative to this project. Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies, Native American tribes, private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. A formal scoping meeting with federal, state, and local agencies, and other interested parties will be held in the near future. Public involvement meetings will be held during the EIS process. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the official public hearing.

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

Dated: October 19, 2009

E. Claiborne Barnwell,

Project Development Team Leader, Federal Highway Administration, Mississippi Division, Jackson, Mississippi.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Ex Parte No. 552 (Sub-No. 13)]

Railroad Revenue Adequacy—2008 Determination

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of decision.

SUMMARY: On October 26, 2009, the Board served a decision announcing the 2008 revenue adequacy determinations for the Nation's Class I railroads. One carrier, Norfolk Southern Railway Company, is found to be revenue adequate.

DATES: *Effective Date:* This decision is effective on October 26, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Paul Aguiar, (202) 245-0323. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at: (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board is required to make an annual