

EIS held in Fresno, Hanford, and Bakersfield on September 20, September 21, and September 22, 2011 respectively to collect public comments.

Based on substantive comments received during the public and agency review of the Draft EIS, the Authority and FRA decided to reintroduce alignment alternatives west of Hanford. In response to concerns raised by stakeholders in metropolitan Bakersfield, the Authority and FRA also decided to evaluate another alternative in Bakersfield (Bakersfield Hybrid Alternative) in an effort to minimize impacts to residential and community facilities. The Authority and FRA determined that the introduction of these new alternatives and other refinements being considered for existing Fresno to Bakersfield route alternatives required preparation of a Supplemental Draft EIS under NEPA and a Revised Draft EIS under CEQA.

Consistent with the provisions of NEPA Section 102(2)(c) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500 *et seq.*), and FRA's Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts (64 FR 28545, May 26, 1999), the Supplemental Draft EIS describes the Project's purpose and need, identifies the reasonable range of alternatives including the no action alternative, evaluates the potential environmental effects associated with those alternatives, and identifies mitigation measures to minimize potential environmental effects.

Copies of the Supplemental Draft EIS are available online at FRA's Web site: www.fra.dot.gov; the Authority's Web site: www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov; and are also available for viewing at the following locations near the planned rail system:

- Fresno County Public Library, Central Branch, Central Reference Department, 2420 Mariposa Street, Fresno, CA;
- Fresno County Public Library, Clovis Regional Library, 1155 Fifth Street, Clovis, CA;
- Fresno County Public Library, Laton Branch, 6313 DeWoody Street, Laton, CA;
- Kern County Library, Beale Memorial Library, 701 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA;
- Kern County Library, Corcoran Branch, 1001 Chittenden Avenue, Corcoran, CA;
- Kern County Library, Delano Branch, 925 10th Avenue, Delano, CA;
- Kern County Library, Shafter Branch, 236 James Street, Shafter, CA;
- Kern County Library, Wasco Branch, 1102 7th Street, Wasco, CA;

- Kings County Library, Hanford Branch (Main Library), 401 N. Douth Street, Hanford, CA;
- Kings County Library, Lemoore Branch, 457 C Street, Lemoore, CA;
- Tulare County Library, Visalia Branch (Main Library), 200 West Oak Avenue, Visalia, CA; and
- Tulare Public Library, 475 North M Street, Tulare, CA.

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Paul Nissenbaum,

Associate Administrator for Railroad Policy & Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Transit Improvements to the North Red and Purple Lines, Cook County, IL

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Supplemental Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: On January 3, 2011, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as the lead federal agency, and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the North Red and Purple Line Modernization (RPM) Project in Cook County, Illinois. The purpose of this supplemental NOI is to inform interested parties that the EIS will no longer be a Tier 1 EIS as originally proposed. The methodology and format will now be a standard project-level EIS. All other aspects (Location, Purpose and Need, Alternatives, Scoping, and Possible Effects) of the original NOI remain unchanged. Activities conducted to date pursuant to the original NOI will not be impacted or reexamined. The proposed project, described more completely in the January 3, 2011 NOI, would bring the North Red and Purple lines up to a state of good repair from the track structure immediately north of Belmont Station in Chicago to the Linden terminal in Wilmette, Illinois. Materials describing the project purpose and need and the alternatives proposed for analysis are available on the CTA Web site www.transitchicago.com/rpmproject. The CTA operates the rapid transit system in metropolitan Chicago, Illinois.

ADDRESSES: Questions regarding this updated notice or the project may be sent to Mr. Steve Hands, Strategic Planning and Policy, Chicago Transit Authority, 567 W Lake Street, Chicago, IL 60661, or via email at RPM@transitchicago.com. The NOI of January 3, 2011 is available on the internet at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-01-03/pdf/2010-33065.pdf>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Reginald Arkell, Community Planner, Federal Transit Administration, Region V, 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320, Chicago, IL 60606, phone 312-886-3704, email reginald.arkell@dot.gov.

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Rhonda Reed,

Deputy Regional Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning OFAC's information collection requirements contained within OFAC's Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations set forth at 31 CFR part 501.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before September 24, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal:
www.regulations.gov.

Follow the instructions on the Web site for submitting comments.

Fax: Attn: Request for Comments (Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations) (202) 622-1657.

Mail: Attn: Request for Comments (Reporting, Procedures and Penalties

Regulations). Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and the **Federal Register** Doc. number that appears at the end of this document. Comments received will be made available to the public via regulations.gov or upon request, without change and including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, tel.: 202/622-2490, Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202/622-2480, Assistant Director for Policy, tel.: 202/622-4855, Office of Foreign Assets Control, or Chief Counsel (Foreign Assets Control), tel.: 202/622-2410, Office of the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury (not toll free numbers).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations.

OMB Control Number: 1505-0164.

Abstract: The collections of information are contained in sections 501.601 through 501.605, 501.801, and 501.804 through 501.807 and pertain to the operation of various economic sanctions programs administered by OFAC under 31 CFR chapter V. Section 501.601 relates to the maintenance of records and section 501.602 relates to OFAC demands for information relative to any transaction or property subject to the provisions of 31 CFR chapter V. Section 501.603 imposes reporting requirements pertaining to blocked property and retained funds. This information is required by OFAC to monitor compliance with regulatory requirements, to support diplomatic negotiations concerning the targets of sanctions, and to support settlement negotiations addressing U.S. claims. Section 501.604 requires the filing of

reports for compliance purposes by financial institutions where a funds transfer is not required to be blocked but where processing the transfer would nonetheless violate, or facilitate a transaction that is prohibited under, other provisions in 31 CFR chapter V. Section 501.605 requires reporting of information pertaining to litigation, arbitration, and other binding alternative dispute resolution proceedings in the United States to prevent the intentional or inadvertent transfer through such proceedings of blocked property or retained funds. Sections 501.801, 501.804, and 501.805 relate, respectively, to license requests; rulemakings; and records requests. Section 501.806 sets forth the procedures to be followed by a person seeking to have funds released at a financial institution if the person believes that the funds were blocked due to mistaken identity. Section 501.807 sets forth the procedures to be followed by a person seeking administrative reconsideration of his, her, or its designation or of a vessel as blocked, or who wishes to assert that the circumstances resulting in the designation or blocking no longer apply.

The likely respondents and record-keepers affected by the information collections contained in part 501 are financial institutions, business organizations, individuals, and legal representatives. The estimated total annual reporting and/or recordkeeping burden is approximately 47,780 hours. The estimated annual burden per respondent/record-keeper varies from 30 minutes to 10 hours, depending on individual circumstances, with an estimated average of 1.25 hours. The estimated number of respondents and/or record-keepers is 38,224. The estimated annual frequency of responses: 1-12.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the notice at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Financial institutions, business organizations, individuals, and legal representatives.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 38,224.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1.25 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 47,780.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") control number.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: July 20, 2012.

Robert Dahl,

Treasury Departmental Clearance Officer.

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