restrictions, import licensing, and customs barriers;
(2) Government procurement restrictions (e.g., “buy national policies” and closed bidding);
(3) Export subsidies (e.g., export financing on preferential terms and agricultural export subsidies that displace U.S. exports in third country markets);
(4) Lack of intellectual property protection (e.g., inadequate patent, copyright, and trademark regimes);
(5) Services barriers (e.g., limits on the range of financial services offered by foreign financial institutions, regulation of international data flows, restrictions on the use of data processing, quotas on imports of foreign films, and barriers to the provision of services by professionals);
(6) Investment barriers (e.g., limitations on foreign equity participation and on access to foreign government-funded R&D consortia, local content, technology transfer and export performance requirements, and restrictions on repatriation of earnings, capital, fees, and royalties);
(7) Government-tolerated anticompetitive conduct of state-owned or private firms that restrict the sale or purchase of U.S. goods or services in the foreign country’s markets;
(8) Trade restrictions affecting electronic commerce (e.g., tariff and non-tariff measures, burdensome and discriminatory regulations and standards, and discriminatory taxation); and
(9) Other barriers (e.g., barriers that encompass more than one category, such as bribery and corruption, or that affect a single sector).
In responding to this notice, commenters should place particular emphasis on any practices that may violate U.S. trade agreements. The TPSC is also interested in receiving new or updated information pertinent to the barriers covered in the 2012 NTE as well as information on new barriers. If USTR does not include in the NTE information that it receives pursuant to this notice, it will maintain the information for potential use in future discussions or negotiations with trading partners.
Estimate of Increase in Exports: Each comment should include an estimate of the potential increase in U.S. exports that would result from removing any foreign trade barrier the comment identifies, as well as a description of the methodology the commenter used to derive the estimate. Estimates should be expressed within the following value ranges: Less than $5 million; $5 to $25 million; $25 million to $50 million; $50 million to $100 million; $100 million to $500 million; or over $500 million. These estimates will help USTR conduct comparative analyses of a barrier’s effect over a range of industries.
Requirements for Submissions: Commenters providing information on foreign trade barriers in more than one country should, whenever possible, provide a separate submission for each country. Comments addressing SPS or standards-related measures should not be submitted in response to this request but should be submitted in response to the separate request for comments which will be forthcoming. In order to ensure the timely receipt and consideration of comments, USTR strongly encourages commenters to make on-line submissions, using the http://www.regulations.gov Web site. Comments should be submitted under docket number USTR–2012–0021.
To find this docket, enter the docket number in the “Enter Keyword or ID” window at the http://www.regulations.gov home page and click “Search.” The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with that docket number. Find a reference to this notice by selecting “Notices” under “Document Type” on the search-results page, and click on the link entitled “Submit a Comment.” (For further information on using the www.regulations.gov Web site, please consult the resources provided on the Web site by clicking on the “Help” tab.)
The http://www.regulations.gov Web site provides the option of making submissions by filling in a comments field, or by attaching a document. USTR prefers submissions to be provided in an attached document. If a document is attached, please identify the name of the country to which the submission pertains in the “Comments” field. For example: “See attached comment for (name of country)”.
USTR prefers submissions in Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf). If the submission is in an application other than those two, please indicate the name of the application in the “Comments” field.
For any comments submitted electronically containing business confidential information, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the character “BC”. The top of any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked “BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL”. Any person filing comments that contain business confidential information must also file in a separate submission a public version of the comments. The file name of the public version of the comments should begin with the character “P”. The “BC” and “P” should be followed by the name of the person or entity submitting the comments. If a comment contains no business confidential information, the file name should begin with the character “P”, followed by the name of the person or entity submitting the comments.
Please do not attach separate cover letters to electronic submissions; rather, include any information that might appear in a cover letter in the comments themselves. Similarly, to the extent possible, please include any exhibits, annexes, or other attachments in the same file as the submission itself, not as separate files.
Public inspection of submissions: Comments will be placed in the docket and open to public inspection pursuant to 15 CFR 2006.13, except confidential business information exempt from public inspection in accordance with 15 CFR 2006.15. Comments may be viewed on the http://www.regulations.gov Web site by entering the relevant docket number in the search field on the home page.
Douglas M. Bell,
Chair, Trade Policy Staff Committee.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration


AGENCY: Air Traffic Procedures Advisory Committee. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of its environmental review of two standard terminal arrival route (STAR) procedures and two standard instrument departure (SID) procedures at Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD). As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, an evaluation has been performed on the two proposed STAR procedures and the two proposed SID procedures to determine the level of environmental review warranted. The FAA has elected to “Categorically Exclude from further environmental review” the proposed STAR procedures identified as GIBBZ (RNAY) STAR and DOCCS STAR and the proposed SID procedures identified...
as RNLDI (RNAV) SID (previously named BLUES ONE (RNAV) SID) and BUNZZ ONE (RNAV) SID.

DATES: Effective upon publication. A Categorical Exclusion (Cat Ex) from environmental review does not require a formal public hearing or a formal public comment period prior to the Cat Ex becoming effective.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lee Kyker, Environmental Specialist, Air Traffic Eastern Service Center, Operations Support Group, 1701 Columbia Ave., College Park, GA 30337.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the FAA has elected to “Categorically Exclude from further environmental review” the proposed procedures as follows: GIBBZ (RNAV) STAR, DOCCS STAR, RNLDI (RNAV) SID (previously named BLUES ONE (RNAV) SID) and BUNZZ ONE (RNAV) SID.

Project: Publish GIBBZ (RNAV) STAR, DOCCS STAR, RNLDI (RNAV) SID (previously named BLUES ONE (RNAV) SID) and BUNZZ ONE (RNAV) SID.

Location: Washington Dulles International Airport.

This project consists of publishing procedures identified as the GIBBZ (RNAV) STAR, DOCCS STAR, RNLDI (RNAV) SID (previously named BLUES ONE (RNAV) SID) and BUNZZ ONE (RNAV) SID. On June 4, 2012, the BLUES (RNAV) SID was renamed to the RNLDI RNAV SID. RNAV facilitates more efficient design of airspace and procedures which collectively result in improved safety, access, predictability, and operational efficiency. Improved access and flexibility for point-to-point operations help enhance reliability and reduce delays by defining more precise terminal area procedures. The review process indicated that the proposed project will not adversely impact the environment. Consequently, the FAA has elected to “Categorically Exclude from further environmental review” the proposed Standard Terminal Arrival procedures, based upon compliance with FAA Order 1050.1E, § 311(i).

Issued in Atlanta, GA, on August 1, 2012.

Barry A. Knight,


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration

AGENCY: Air Traffic Procedures Advisory Committee. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of its environmental review of two standard terminal arrival route (STAR) procedures, and one conventional arrival procedure, at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA). As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, an evaluation has been performed on the three proposed procedures to determine the level of environmental review warranted. The FAA has elected to “Categorically Exclude from further environmental review” the three proposed arrival procedures identified as FRDMM1 (RNAV), TRUPS1 (RNAV) and NUMMY.

DATES: Effective upon publication. A Categorical Exclusion (Cat Ex) from environmental review does not require a formal public hearing or a formal public comment period prior to the Cat Ex becoming effective.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lee Kyker, Environmental Specialist, Air Traffic Eastern Service Center, Operations Support Group, 1701 Columbia Ave., College Park, GA 30337.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the FAA has elected to “Categorically Exclude from further environmental review” the three proposed project procedures identified as FRDMM1 (RNAV), TRUPS1 (RNAV) and NUMMY.

Project: Publish FRDMM1 (RNAV), TRUPS1 (RNAV), and NUMMY.


This project consists of publishing RNAV arrival procedures identified as the FRDMM1 (RNAV) and the TRUPS1 (RNAV) and publishing the NUMMY conventional arrival procedure. RNAV facilitates more efficient design of airspace and procedures which collectively result in improved safety, access, predictability, and operational efficiency. Improved access and flexibility for point-to-point operations help enhance reliability and reduce delays by defining more precise terminal area procedures. The NUMMY is a conventional arrival procedure which accommodates the non-RNAV aircraft into the DC Metro area from the west. The review process indicated that the proposed project will not adversely impact the environment. Consequently, the FAA has elected to “Categorically Exclude from further environmental review” the proposed procedures, based upon compliance with FAA Order 1050.1E, § 311(i).

Issued in Atlanta, GA, on August 1, 2012.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Highway Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments for a New Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: FHWA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) approval for a new information collection, which is summarized below under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

DATES: Please submit comments by September 14, 2012.

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–2012–0083.