

conjunction with the noise exposure map, and that this program will be approved or disapproved on or before November 18, 2013.

DATES: This notice is effective May 20, 2013, and is applicable April 22, 2013. The public comment period ends June 19, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Hanson, Environmental Protection Specialist, CHI-603, Federal Aviation Administration, Chicago Airport District Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60018. Telephone number: 847-294-7354. Comments on the proposed noise compatibility program should also be submitted to the above office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that the FAA finds that the noise exposure maps submitted for Chicago Midway International Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements of Part 150, effective May 20, 2013. Further, FAA is reviewing a proposed noise compatibility program for that airport which will be approved or disapproved on or before November 18, 2013. This notice also announces the availability of this program for public review and comment.

Under 49 U.S.C., section 47503 (the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act, hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), an airport operator may submit to the FAA noise exposure maps which meet applicable regulations and which depict non-compatible land uses as of the date of submission of such maps, a description of projected aircraft operations, and the ways in which such operations will affect such maps. The Act requires such maps to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties in the local community, government agencies, and persons using the airport.

An airport operator who has submitted noise exposure maps that are found by FAA to be in compliance with the requirements of Part 150, promulgated pursuant to the Act, may submit a noise compatibility program for FAA approval which sets forth the measures the operator has taken or proposes to take to reduce existing non-compatible uses and prevent the introduction of additional non-compatible uses.

City of Chicago Department of Aviation submitted to the FAA on April 22, 2013 noise exposure maps, descriptions and other documentation that were produced during noise compatibility planning study conducted from 2011 through 2013. It was requested that the FAA review this

material as the noise exposure maps, as described in section 47503 of the Act, and that the noise mitigation measures, to be implemented jointly by the airport and surrounding communities, be approved as a noise compatibility program under section 47504 of the Act.

The FAA has completed its review of the noise exposure maps and related descriptions submitted by City of Chicago Department of Aviation. The specific documentation determined to constitute the noise exposure maps includes: Exhibit 3-1, Exhibit 3-2, and Chapter 3 of the Part 150 study document. The FAA has determined that these maps for Chicago Midway International Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements. FAA's determination on an airport operator's noise exposure maps is limited to a finding that the maps were developed in accordance with the procedures contained in Appendix D of FAR Part 150. Such determination does not constitute approval of the applicant's data, information or plans, or constitute a commitment to approve a noise compatibility program or to fund the implementation of that program.

If questions arise concerning the precise relationship of specific properties to noise exposure contours depicted on a noise exposure map submitted under section 47503 of the Act, it should be noted that the FAA is not involved in any way in determining the relative locations of specific properties with regard to the depicted noise contours, or in interpreting the noise exposure maps to resolve questions concerning, for example, which properties should be covered by the provisions of section 47506 of the Act. These functions are inseparable from the ultimate land use control and planning responsibilities of local government. These local responsibilities are not changed in any way under Part 150 or through FAA's review of noise exposure maps. Therefore, the responsibility for the detailed overlaying of noise exposure contours onto the map depicting properties on the surface rests exclusively with the airport operator that submitted those maps, or with those public agencies and planning agencies with which consultation is required under section 47503 of the Act. The FAA has relied on the certification by the airport operator, under section 150.21 of FAR Part 150, that the statutorily required consultation has been accomplished.

Preliminary review of the submitted noise compatibility program for Chicago Midway International Airport indicates that it conforms to the requirements for the submittal of noise compatibility

programs, but that further review will be necessary prior to approval or disapproval of the program. The formal review period, limited by law to a maximum of 180 days, will be completed on or before November 18, 2013. A public hearing was held on March 21, 2013 at The Mayfield, 6072 S. Archer Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

The FAA's detailed evaluation will be conducted under the provisions of 14 CFR Part 150, section 150.33. The primary considerations in the evaluation process are whether the proposed measures may reduce the level of aviation safety, create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce, or be reasonably consistent with obtaining the goal of reducing existing non-compatible land uses and preventing the introduction of additional non-compatible land uses. Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed program with specific reference to these factors. All comments, other than those properly addressed to local land use authorities, will be considered by the FAA to the extent practicable. Copies of the noise exposure maps, the FAA's evaluation of the maps, and the proposed noise compatibility program are available for examination at the following locations: Federal Aviation Administration,

Chicago Airport District Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60018.

CDA Environment Division, Chicago O'Hare International Airport, 10510 W. Zemke Road, Chicago, IL 60666.

Airport Maintenance Complex, Chicago Midway International Airport, 6201 S. Laramie Avenue, Chicago, IL 60638.

Questions may be directed to the individual named above under the heading, **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Issued in Des Plaines, IL.

Dated: May 13, 2013.

James G. Keefer,

Manager, Chicago Airports District Office .

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2013-22]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR). The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of the FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATE: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before June 10, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by docket number FAA-2013-0312 using any of the following methods:

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments digitally.

- *Mail:* Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

- *Fax:* Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.

- *Hand Delivery:* Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy: We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. Using the search function of our docket Web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review the DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

Docket: To read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrea Copeland, (202) 267-8081, Office of Rulemaking (ARM-208), Federal Aviation Administration, 800

Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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Lirio Liu,

Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA-2013-0312.

Petitioner: FedEx Express Avionics.

Section of 14 CFR Affected:

§ 121.359(k).

Description of Relief Sought: FedEx Express seeks an exemption to allow time for completion of certification of datalink recording for FedEx Express 757 aircraft in conjunction with FANS I/A+ implementation and, thus, the aforementioned FAR.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2013-0024]

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

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The 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**. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by July 19, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number 2013-0024 by any of the following methods:

Web Site: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

Hand Delivery or Courier: U.S. Department of Transportation, West

Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Crystal Jones, 202-366-2976, Office of Freight Management & Operations (HOFM-1), Office of Operations, Federal Highway Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., Room E84-313, Washington, DC 20509. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: USDOT Survey on Projects of National and Regional Significance (PNRS)

Background: US Department of Transportation (USDOT) is directed by Section 1120(1) of Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP21), to prepare a report to Congress not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of the MAP-21. The USDOT is required to submit the report to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate regarding PNRS. The purpose of the report is to identify projects of national and regional significance that: (a) Will significantly improve the performance of the Federal-aid highway system, nationally, (b) are able to generate national economic benefits that reasonably exceed the costs of the projects, including increased access to jobs, labor, and other critical economic inputs; (c) reduce long-term congestion, including impacts in the State, region, and the United States, and increase speed, reliability, and accessibility of the movement of people or freight; (d) improve transportation safety, including reducing transportation accidents, and serious injuries and fatalities; and (e) can be supported by an acceptable degree of non-Federal financial commitments.

The report is required to contain a comprehensive list of each project of national and regional significance that: (a) has been complied through a survey of State departments of transportation; and has been classified by the Secretary as a project of regional or national significance.

Respondents: The target groups of respondents are State Departments of Transportation, transit agencies, tribal governments and multi-state or multi-jurisdictional groups. The target groups identified in the legislation are "State departments of transportation"; the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has interpreted the legislation to mean compile a list of projects from