**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Highway Administration**

**Revised Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement: Milwaukee County, Wisconsin**

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Revised notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this revised Notice of Intent to advise the public that the project limits for the I–94 East-West Corridor Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be extended; the project is located in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bethaney Bacher-Gresock, Environmental Program Manager, FHWA Wisconsin Division Office, City Center West, 525 Junction Road, Suite 8000, Madison, WI 53717; Telephone: (608) 662–2119.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), issued a Notice of Intent May 18, 2012 to prepare an EIS for proposed improvements in the I–94 corridor between 70th Street on the west and 25th Street on the east (2.85 miles). This revised Notice of Intent extends the eastern project limits from 25th Street to 16th Street; the EIS for the I–94 East-West Corridor project now extends from 70th Street on the west to 16th Street on the east (3.5 miles). The extension is in response to additional work necessary east of 25th Street to accommodate alternatives that would tie back into I–94 near 16th Street and better match the recently reconstructed Marquette Interchange. The purpose of the project remains the same, to replace deteriorating pavement and bridges and improve safety, while identifying methods to accommodate existing and projected future traffic volumes; this may result in the full reconstruction and redesign of the I–94 corridor. The EIS will also evaluate interchanges with I–94 at 68th Street/70th Street, Hawley Road, Mitchell Boulevard, US 41/STH 341 (Stadium Interchange), 35th Street and 26th Street/Saint Paul Avenue as well as US 41 at Wisconsin Avenue/Wells Street. The EIS will be developed in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 139, 23 CFR 771, and 40 CFR parts 1500–1508. Public involvement is a critical component of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) project development process and will continue to occur throughout the development of the EIS. Specific efforts...
to encourage involvement by, and solicit comments from, minority and low-income populations in the project study area will continue to be made. The EIS will be made available for review by federal and state resource agencies and the public. Public information meetings, all of which are announced in advance, were held August 21 and 23, 2012; December 5–6, 2012; May 21–22, 2013; and July 30–31, 2013. In addition, a public hearing will be held after the completion of the Draft EIS.

Inquiries related to the I–94 East-West Corridor Study can be sent to DOT94EastWest@dot.wi.gov. A public Web site has been established for the project and will be maintained throughout the study for public comment and information at http://www.seffreeways.org. 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 and questions concerning the proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA address provided above.

Projects receiving Federal funds must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and Executive Order 12898 Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority and Low-Income Populations. Federal law prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, age, sex, or country of national origin in the implementation of this project. It is also Federal policy to identify and address any disproportionately high and adverse effects of federal projects on the health or environment of minority and low-income populations to the greatest extent practicable and permitted by law.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Early Scoping Notification for the Alternatives Analysis of the GA 400 Transit Initiative in Fulton County, Georgia

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), United States Department of Transportation (USDOT).

ACTION: Notice of early scoping meeting.

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) issue this early scoping notice to advise other agencies and the public that they intend to explore potential alternatives for providing high-capacity transit in the GA 400 corridor in north Fulton County, GA from Dunwoody to Alpharetta that would improve transit linkages and coverage to communities within this corridor and would enhance mobility and accessibility to and within the corridor by providing a more robust transit network that offers an alternative to automobile travel. This notice invites the public and agency officials to help support the ongoing alternatives analysis and system planning effort by commenting on the project’s purpose and need, the project study area, the alternatives being considered, the transportation problems that are being addressed by the alternatives analysis study, public participation and outreach methods, the relevant transportation and community impacts and benefits being considered, known environmental issues raised by public and agency coordination to date, and the projected capital and operating costs of this project.

The early scoping process is intended to support the alternatives analysis and a future National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) scoping process and will help streamline the future development of an environmental impact statement (EIS), if warranted. In addition, it supports FTA planning requirements associated with the new Starts (“Section 5309”) funding program for certain kinds of major capital investments. While recent legislation has led to changes in the New Starts process, MARTA will comply with all relevant FTA requirements relating to planning and project development to help analyze and screen alternatives in preparation for the NEPA process.

Public meetings are described immediately below. A more detailed discussion of the project and this early scoping process is included in sections that follow.

DATES: An early scoping meeting where the public and interested agencies can learn more about and comment on the scope of the alternatives analysis will be held on September 26, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The location of this meeting is indicated under ADDRESSES below.

At the early scoping meeting, MARTA will provide information on the alternatives analysis progress along with opportunities for written comments. Written or electronic scoping comments are requested by October 28, 2013, and can be sent or emailed to the MARTA project manager at the address below. Comments may also be offered at the early scoping meeting.

ADDRESSES: Written or electronic comments should be sent to Ms. Janide Sidifal, Project Manager, MARTA, 2424 Piedmont Road NE., Atlanta GA 30324–3330 or by email to connect400@itsmarta.com. If submitting an electronic comment, please type “Connect 400 Early Scoping Comment for MARTA” in the subject line of the email. MARTA maintains a Facebook page for the Connect 400 project and will notify Facebook followers, in conjunction with publication of this notice, to submit comments to the aforementioned email address as well. The address for the early scoping meeting is as follows:

Alpharetta City Hall, 2 Main Street, Alpharetta, GA 30009.

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. If translation, signing services, or other special accommodations are needed, please contact the Project Manager, Ms. Janide Sidifal at jsidifal@itsmarta.com or 404–848–5828; or the Senior Director of Transit System Planning, Mr. Don Williams at drwilliams@itsmarta.com or 404–848–4422 at least one week before the scoping meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Keith Melton, Community Planner, FTA Region IV, 230 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 800, Atlanta, GA 30303 or email: keith.melton@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Early Scoping

Early scoping is an optional early step in the NEPA process that precedes NEPA scoping, which normally begins when the FTA and the grant applicant publish a notice of intent to prepare an EIS. FTA encourages the use of early scoping for major planning activities and studies that may receive other FTA funding as a way to start the NEPA process during earlier project planning phases. Early scoping is intended to generate public and agency review and