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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement: Cook County, Illinois

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), 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 Cook County, Illinois.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Catherine A. Batey, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 3250 Executive Park Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703, Phone: (217) 492-4600. John Fortmann, P.E., Deputy Director of Highways, Region One Engineer, District 1, Illinois Department of Transportation, 201 W. Center Court, Schaumburg, IL 60196-1096, Phone: (847) 705-4110.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to improve North Lake Shore Drive located in the Illinois county of Cook. The project study area encompasses North Lake Shore Drive from Grand Avenue to Hollywood Avenue where North Lake Shore Drive terminates at the intersection of Hollywood Avenue and Sheridan Road. The section of North Lake Shore Drive from Grand Avenue to Foster Avenue is designated as U.S. Route 41. North of Foster Avenue, North Lake Shore Drive is an unmarked State route.

Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary due to safety concerns and operational issues as well as infrastructure condition. Alternatives that may be considered include (1) taking no action; and (2) a full range of multi-modal build alternatives that involve the reconstruction of North Lake Shore Drive.

Improvements to North Lake Shore Drive have the potential to affect environmental features in the project area. Almost the entire length of the roadway is located within historic Lincoln Park, where no roadway right-of-way exists. All land beyond the backs

of curbs is considered to be park land. Potential environmental issue areas include: parks, special waste sites, historic bridges, historic buildings, air quality, noise, natural resources, water resources and related indirect and cumulative impact considerations.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies. As part of the EIS process, a scoping meeting for obtaining input from Resource Agencies was held on September 19, 2013. The Illinois Department of Transportation's Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) process will be used for public involvement. A Stakeholder Involvement Plan (SIP) will be developed to ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed project are identified and addressed. The SIP provides meaningful opportunities for all stakeholders to participate in defining transportation issues and solutions for the study area. One public meeting will be held in Cook County at each project milestone. In addition to the public meetings, a public hearing and comment period will be held following the release of the Draft EIS. Public notice will be given for the time and place of the public meetings and hearing. A project Web site has been established ([www.northlakeshoredrive.org](http://www.northlakeshoredrive.org)) as one element of the project public involvement process.

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.

(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

#### Limitation on Claims Against Proposed Public Transportation Projects

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces final environmental actions taken by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for projects in the following locations: Boise, ID and Houston, TX. The purpose of this notice is to announce publicly the environmental decisions by FTA on the subject projects and to activate the limitation on any claims that may challenge these final environmental actions.

**DATES:** By this notice, FTA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to Section 139(l) of Title 23, United States Code (U.S.C.). A claim seeking judicial review of FTA actions announced herein for the listed public transportation projects will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before October 6, 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nancy-Ellen Zusman, Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel, (312) 353-2577 or Terence Plaskon, Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Human and Natural Environment, (202) 366-0442. FTA is located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that FTA has taken final agency actions by issuing certain approvals for the public transportation projects listed below. The actions on the projects, as well as the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the documentation issued in connection with the project to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and in other documents in the FTA administrative record for the projects. Interested parties may contact either the project sponsor or the relevant FTA Regional Office for more information on the project. Contact information for FTA's Regional Offices may be found at <http://www.fta.dot.gov>.

This notice applies to all FTA decisions on the listed projects as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including, but not limited to, NEPA [42 U.S.C. 4321-4375], Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303], Section 106 of the

National Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 470f], and the Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q]. This notice does not, however, alter or extend the limitation period for challenges of project decisions subject to previous notices published in the **Federal Register**. The projects and actions that are the subject of this notice are:

1. *Project name and location:*

Downtown Boise Multimodal Center, Boise, ID. *Project sponsor:* Valley Regional Transit. *Project description:* The proposed project consists primarily of an underground facility with eight bus bays and dedicated entry and exit ramps for buses. The facility would be complemented by four reconfigured bus bays on Main Street, for a total of 12 bus bays. The underground facility is to be built as part of a new office, convention, and retail development on the west side of the U.S. Bank Building near the corner of North 8th Street and Main Street. *Final agency actions:* No use determination of Section 4(f) resources; Section 106 finding of no historic properties affected; project-level air quality conformity; and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), dated April 23, 2014. *Supporting documentation:* Environmental Assessment, dated March 2014.

2. *Project name and location:*

Post Oak Boulevard Reconstruction with Dedicated Bus Lanes, Houston, TX. *Project sponsor:* Uptown Houston District. *Project description:* The proposed project would reconstruct and make improvements to Post Oak Boulevard from IH 610 to Richmond Avenue. The reconstructed street would retain six lanes for general traffic while accommodating bi-directional bus service operating in dedicated lanes in the expanded median. Improvements would be made to sidewalks, landscape/hardscape, pedestrian lighting, and other pedestrian amenities. *Final agency actions:* Section 106 finding of no historic properties affected and determination of categorical exclusion. *Supporting documentation:* Categorical exclusion pursuant to 23 CFR 771.118(d), dated March 26, 2014.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

[Docket No. PHMSA–2013–0002 (Notice No. 14–6)]

**Information Collection Activities**

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Requests (ICR) abstracted below will be forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. The ICRs describe the nature of the information collections and their expected burden. A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on these collections of information was published in the **Federal Register** on February 12, 2014 [79 FR 8535] under Docket No. PHMSA–2013–0002 (Notice No. 14–1). PHMSA did not receive any comments in response to February 12, 2014 notice.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on, or before June 9, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are invited to submit comments regarding this notice. Comments should refer to the information collection by title and/or OMB Control Number. Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for PHMSA, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503. Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Andrews or T. Glenn Foster, Standards and Rulemaking Division

(PHH–12), U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., East Building, 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001, Telephone (202) 366–8553.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 1320.8 (d), Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations requires Federal agencies to provide interested members of the public and affected agencies an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping requests. This notice identifies information collection requests that PHMSA will be submitting to OMB for renewal and extension. These information collections are contained in 49 CFR parts 107, 130, 171, 173, 176, 177, 178, and 180 of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR parts 171–180). PHMSA has revised burden estimates, where appropriate, to reflect current reporting levels or adjustments based on changes in proposed or final rules published since the information collections were last approved. The following information is provided for each information collection: (1) Title of the information collection, including former title if a change is being made; (2) OMB Control Number; (3) abstract of the information collection activity; (4) description of affected persons; (5) estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (6) frequency of collection. PHMSA will request a three-year term of approval for each information collection activity and, when approved by OMB, publish notice of the approvals in the **Federal Register**.

PHMSA requests comments on the following information collections:

*Title:* Requirements for Cargo Tanks.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0014.

*Summary:* This information collection consolidates and describes the information collection provisions in Parts 107, 178, and 180 of the HMR involving the manufacture, qualification, maintenance, and use of all specification cargo tank motor vehicles. It also includes the information collection and recordkeeping requirements for persons who are engaged in the manufacture, assembly, requalification, and maintenance of Department of Transportation (DOT) specification cargo tank motor vehicles. The types of information collected include:

(1) Registration Statements: Cargo tank manufacturers and repairers, and cargo tank motor vehicle assemblers are required to be registered with DOT by furnishing information relative to their qualifications to perform the functions in accordance with the HMR. The