

request must be delivered or mailed to: Al Richardson, Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Chicago Airports District Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60018, Telephone Number: (847) 294-7436/FAX Number: (847) 294-7046.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Al Richardson, Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Chicago Airports District Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60018. Telephone Number: (847) 294-7436/ *Al.Richardson@faa.gov*/FAX Number: (847) 294-7046.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with section 47107(h) of Title 49, United States Code, this notice is required to be published in the **Federal Register** 30 days before modifying the land-use assurance that requires the property to be used for an aeronautical purpose.

The property was acquired by the City of Chicago Department of Aviation under the Federal Aid to Airports Program (FAAP) and currently not used for aeronautical purposes. This land is to be sold at Fair Market Value (FMV) to a locally-based business to be used as a parking lot. The land was purchased with federal funds under the Federal Aid to Airports Program (FAAP) and currently not used for aeronautical purposes. FAR Part 77, Right of Flight, and other aeronautical compatible land-uses will be protected by deed restrictions in the land transfer agreement.

The disposition of proceeds from the sale of the airport property will be in accordance with FAA's Policy and Procedures Concerning the Use of Airport Revenue, published in the **Federal Register** on February 16, 1999 (64 FR 7696).

This notice announces that the FAA is considering the release of the subject airport property at the Chicago Midway International Airport, Chicago, Illinois from its obligations to be maintained for aeronautical purposes. Approval does not constitute a commitment by the FAA to financially assist in the change in use of the subject airport property nor a determination of eligibility for grant-in-aid funding from the FAA.

*Property Description:* Lots 21 and 22 in block 20 in Crane Archer Avenue addition to Chicago, a subdivision of that part of the Southeast ¼ of Section 8, Township 38 North, Range 13, east of the Third Principal Meridian, lying North of Center Line of Archer Avenue, in Cook County, Illinois.

Issued in Chicago, IL, on January 3, 2017.

**James G. Keefer,**

*Manager, Chicago Airports District Office  
FAA, Great Lakes Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Hillsborough County, Florida

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Section 4(f) Evaluation.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in cooperation with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is issuing this notice to advise the public that a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Section 4(f) Evaluation (SEIS/4f) will be prepared to evaluate new significant environmental impacts since the November 1996 approval of the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Section 4(f) Evaluation (FEIS) for the Tampa Interstate Study proposed highway project in Hillsborough County, Florida.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cathy Kendall, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist, Federal Highway Administration, 3500 Financial Plaza, Suite 400, Tallahassee, Florida 32312, Telephone: (850) 553-2225, email: *Cathy.Kendall@dot.gov*. You may also contact Menna Yassin, Project Manager, Florida Department of Transportation District 7, 11201 North McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida 33612, Telephone: 813-975-6433, email: *menna.yassin@dot.state.fl.us*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY PROJECT INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Florida Department of Transportation will prepare an SEIS to examine the impacts and to modify the Long Term Preferred Alternative for the Tampa Interstate Study to improve portions of I-275 (SR 93), I-4 (SR 500) and SR 60 in Hillsborough County, Florida. The proposed modification includes changes to design elements and use of innovative financing sources, including collecting tolls.

A FEIS/Section 4(f) Evaluation (FEIS# FHWA-FL-EIS-95-03-F) was issued for the Project on November 22, 1996 with Records of Decision (ROD) dated January 31, 1997 and June 14, 1999. The FEIS and RODs are available on the

project Web site at: [www.TampaInterstateStudy.com](http://www.TampaInterstateStudy.com).

Since issuance of the RODs, the FDOT has taken several major steps to advance the Project toward construction: The documents have been reevaluated several times (in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2013 and 2015) which advanced various elements of the project, many of which have already been constructed: Including portions of Segment 1A, Segment 2A, Segment 3A, Segment 3B and Segment 3C. The FDOT now proposes to evaluate changes in environmental impacts, new information and circumstances relevant to the proposed project and changes to preliminary engineering identified since FEIS approval. An SEIS is being prepared because FHWA has determined that the changes result in significant impacts to the human and natural environment that were not evaluated in the FEIS. The SEIS is expected to examine:

- New impacts to the human, natural and physical environment.
- Adding overpasses at several locations along I-275 to improve local street access under I-275 to better connect the communities of Tampa Heights and VM Ybor.
- Tolling the Express Lanes of the Project's improvements along I-275 and I-4.
- Changes in express lane access to local streets in the Tampa downtown area, to the I-4/Selmon Expressway Connector, and various locations from the general use lanes on I-275 and I-4.

The proposed improvement would involve the reconstruction of I-275 from East of Howard Frankland Bridge to East of Himes Avenue, I-275 from East of Himes Avenue to East of Rome Avenue, and East of Rome Avenue to North of SR 574 (Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd.) and I-4 from I-275 to east of 50th Street. These improvements were identified as sections 1A, 2A, 2B, 3A and 3B in the originally approved FEIS. Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to provide for the existing and projected traffic demand.

Alternatives under consideration include: (1) Taking no further action; (2) the improvements shown in the Long Term Preferred Alternative (LTPA) in the approved FEIS, and (3) alteration of the LTPA to collect tolls for the express lanes, add more connectivity between the express lanes and the general use lanes, add express lane access to the local street network in downtown Tampa, and alter lane configuration slightly for improved future traffic operations.

Opportunities for input will be provided to appropriate federal, state,

and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have expressed interest in this Project. Public meetings and a public hearing will be held to solicit public input. The SEIS will be made available for public and agency review and comment. Notices of availability for the SEIS will be provided through direct mail, the **Federal Register** and other media. Notification also will be sent to Federal, State, local agencies, persons, and organizations that submit comments or questions. Additional project information including schedules and locations for the public meetings/hearing will be announced in the local news media and on the Project Web site, [www.TampaInterstateStudy.com](http://www.TampaInterstateStudy.com).

To ensure that the full range of issues related to the proposed action is addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the SEIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above. Questions concerning this Project and the SEIS may also be directed to Menna Yassin, Project Manager, Florida Department of Transportation, District 7, 11201 North McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida 33612, telephone (813) 975-6433, email [menna.yassin@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:menna.yassin@dot.state.fl.us).

Pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 139, FHWA intends to combine the Final SEIS and Record of Decision if it is practicable, to the extent possible as allowed by this provision of law.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding inter-governmental consultation on

Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

[Docket No. FTA-2015-0020]

#### Buy America Handbook—Conducting Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits for Rolling Stock Procurements

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of Handbook.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has placed in the docket and on its Web site guidance, in the form of a Handbook, on complying with FTA's Buy America pre-award and post-delivery audit requirements for revenue service rolling stock procurements, from the solicitation phase through final acceptance of the rolling stock. The Handbook explains and illustrates how to calculate domestic content of rolling stock, and is intended for use by recipients of FTA funding, auditors, manufacturers, and suppliers (including subcontractors).

**DATES:** The Handbook becomes effective February 16, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For program questions, Patrick Centolanzi, FTA Office of Program Management, at (202) 366-0234 or [Patrick.Centolanzi@dot.gov](mailto:Patrick.Centolanzi@dot.gov). For legal questions, Cecelia Comito, FTA Office of Chief Counsel, at (202) 366-4011 or [Cecelia.Comito@dot.gov](mailto:Cecelia.Comito@dot.gov).

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##### I. Overview

FTA's objective in implementing 49 CFR part 661 (Buy America Requirements) and 49 CFR part 663 (Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits of Rolling Stock Purchases) is to support and promote the United States (U.S.)

manufacturing industry and U.S. jobs. As guidance on the pre-award and post-delivery audit requirements for rolling stock procurements, FTA published two separate Buy America handbooks in May 1995—*i.e.*, one for rail vehicle procurements and one for bus procurements.

Over the past several years, FTA has conducted Buy America Compliance Reviews, during which FTA observed and monitored the pre-award and post-delivery audit processes for fourteen capital grants. One primary finding was that FTA should provide more guidance and clarity on conducting pre-award and post-delivery Buy America audits as required in FTA's Buy America regulations (49 CFR parts 661 and 663).

As a result of that finding, FTA is issuing a new Buy America Handbook, entitled Conducting Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits for Rolling Stock Procurements (Handbook), which replaces the two Buy America handbooks on this subject from 1995. On June 16, 2015, FTA issued a notice of availability of the proposed handbook in the **Federal Register** (80 FR 34487) and requested public comment on the Handbook. The comment period closed on August 17, 2015. FTA received comments from 28 entities, including trade associations, State DOT's, metropolitan planning organizations, public transportation providers, manufacturers, and individuals. This notice addresses the comments received and explains the changes FTA made to the proposed handbook in response to the comments.

The updated Buy America Handbook explains to recipients how to verify and document compliance with FTA's Buy America pre-award and post-delivery audit requirements. In addition, the Handbook encourages recipients, manufacturers, and suppliers to adopt certain best practices to ensure compliance with the pre-award and post-delivery audit requirements. The Handbook applies only to rolling stock procurements that are subject to the pre-award and post-delivery audit requirements set forth in 49 CFR part 663.

This notice provides a summary of the comments received regarding the proposed Handbook and the changes made to the Handbook in response to those comments. The Handbook is not included in this notice; instead, the Handbook is available on FTA's Web site, at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/buyamerica>, and in the docket, at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (Docket No. FTA-2015-0020). Paper copies of the Handbook may be obtained by