

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10288]

Meeting of the United States-Jordan Joint Forum on Environmental Technical Cooperation and Request for Comments on the Meeting Agenda and the 2018–2021 Work Program**AGENCY:** Department of State.**ACTION:** Announcement of meeting; solicitation of comments; invitation to public session.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is providing notice that the governments of the United States and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan (the governments) intend to hold a Joint Forum on Environmental Technical Cooperation (Joint Forum) and a public session in Amman, Jordan, on February 12, 2018.

The governments created the Joint Forum pursuant to the United States-Jordan Joint Statement on Environmental Technical Cooperation (Joint Statement) in concert with the United States-Jordan Free Trade Agreement (FTA), both concluded on October 24, 2000. During the Joint Forum, the governments will discuss how the United States and Jordan can cooperate to protect the environment, review past bilateral environmental cooperation, and approve a 2018–2021 Work Program on Environmental Technical Cooperation (Work Program). The Department of State invites members of the public to submit written comments on items to include on the meeting agenda or in the 2018–2021 Work Program.

The Department of State also invites interested persons to attend a public session to learn more about the work of the Joint Forum and the new Work Program and provide advice or comments on its implementation.

DATES: The public session will be held on February 12, 2018, in Amman, Jordan. Comments on the Joint Forum meeting agenda and/or the 2018–2021 Work Program should be provided no later than February 8, 2018, to facilitate consideration.

ADDRESSES: Those interested in attending the public session should email Tiffany Prather at PratherTA@state.gov. Comments on the Joint Forum meeting agenda and/or the 2018–2021 Work Program should be emailed to PratherTA@state.gov or faxed to Tiffany Prather at (202) 647–5947, with the subject line “United States-Jordan Environmental Cooperation.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tiffany Prather, (202) 647–4548.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States and Jordan announced the establishment of the Joint Forum in the Joint Statement done on October 24, 2000, along with the FTA. The Joint Forum meets regularly and advances environmental protection in Jordan by developing technical cooperation initiatives, which take into account environmental priorities, and which are agreed to by the governments.

The Joint Forum has met four times since 2000, in 2004, 2009, 2012, and 2014, and issued Work Programs to implement the Joint Statement. The United States anticipates the 2018–2021 Work Program will build upon this prior cooperation.

Members of the public, including non-governmental organizations, educational institutions, private sector enterprises, and all other interested persons, are invited to submit written comments regarding items for inclusion in the meeting agenda or in the new Work Program. Please include your full name and identify any organization or group you represent. We encourage submitters to refer to:

- United States-Jordan Joint Statement on Environmental Technical Cooperation;
- United States-Jordan 2014–2017 Work Program on Environmental Technical Cooperation;
- United States-Jordan 2012–2013 Work Program on Environmental Technical Cooperation;
- United States-Jordan 2008–2011 Work Program on Environmental Technical Cooperation;
- Article 5 of the United States-Jordan Free Trade Agreement; and
- Environmental Review of the United States-Jordan Free Trade Agreement.

These documents are available at: <http://www.state.gov/e/oes/eqt/trade/jordan/index.htm>.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Twenty Third Meeting of the NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Twenty Third Meeting of the NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC).

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Twenty Third Meeting of the NextGen Advisory Committee. The NAC is a subcommittee to RTCA.

DATES: The meeting will be held March 14, 2018, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: Harris Corporation, 1395 Troutman Blvd., Palm Bay, FL 32905.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andy Cebula, NAC Secretariat, 202–330–0652, acebula@rtca.org, 1150 18th Street NW, Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036, or by fax at (202) 833–9434, or website at <http://www.rtca.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a meeting of the Twenty Third Meeting of the NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC). The agenda will include the following:

March 14, 2018, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

1. Opening of Meeting/Introduction of NAC Members—Chairman David Bronczek
2. Official Statement of Designated Federal Officer—Dan Elwell, FAA Acting Administrator
3. Review and Approval of October 4, 2017 Meeting Summary
4. Chairman’s Report—Chairman Bronczek
5. FAA Report—FAA
6. NextGen Priorities Status—NextGen Integration Working Group (NIWG) Northeast Corridor Phase Two; Action Item: Consideration for Approval of Northeast Corridor Phase Two Report
7. NextGen Priorities Status—NextGen Integration Working Group (NIWG): Data Communications, Multiple Runway Operations (including Wake ReCategorization), Performance Based Navigation (PBN), Surface Operations & Data Sharing
8. Comm/Nav/Surveillance Equipage Status
9. Drone Advisory Committee Report
10. Other Business
11. Summary of Meeting and Next Steps
12. Closing Comments—DFO and NAC Chairman
13. Adjourn

In order to attend the NAC Meeting at Harris Corporation, you must complete the registration and security form at <https://www.harris.com/event-registration/nac-meetingpublic> by February 27, 2018. Due to security requirements, all guests must provide credentials in advance to attend the event. Please enter your complete name

as it appears on your government-issued photo identification (U.S. driver's license or passport for non-U.S. citizens). Federal PIV cards will not be accepted as a valid form of identification. You will need to show the same identification upon check-in. Please contact HTC@harris.com should you have questions or difficulties with the form. (This submission form is encrypted to protect your personal information.)

With the approval of the Chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-1999-5578; FMCSA-1999-5748; FMCSA-2000-7918; FMCSA-2004-17984; FMCSA-2005-20027; FMCSA-2005-20560; FMCSA-2005-21254; FMCSA-2005-21711; FMCSA-2007-27897; FMCSA-2007-29019; FMCSA-2009-0086; FMCSA-2009-0206; FMCSA-2011-0057; FMCSA-2011-0124; FMCSA-2011-0189; FMCSA-2013-0029; FMCSA-2014-0298; FMCSA-2014-0302; FMCSA-2014-0304; FMCSA-2015-0055; FMCSA-2015-0056]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of exemptions; request for comments.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to renew exemptions for 60 individuals from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) for interstate commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers. The exemptions enable these individuals to continue to operate CMVs in interstate commerce without meeting the vision requirements in one eye.

DATES: Each group of renewed exemptions were applicable on the dates stated in the discussions below and will expire on the dates stated in

the discussions below. Comments must be received on or before February 26, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Christine A. Hydock, Chief, Medical Programs Division, 202-366-4001, fmcsmmedical@dot.gov, FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W64-224, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you have questions regarding viewing or submitting material to the docket, contact Docket Services, telephone (202) 366-9826.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket No. FMCSA-1999-5578; FMCSA-1999-5748; FMCSA-2000-7918; FMCSA-2004-17984; FMCSA-2005-20027; FMCSA-2005-20560; FMCSA-2005-21254; FMCSA-2005-21711; FMCSA-2007-27897; FMCSA-2007-29019; FMCSA-2009-0086; FMCSA-2009-0206; FMCSA-2011-0057; FMCSA-2011-0124; FMCSA-2011-0189; FMCSA-2013-0029; FMCSA-2014-0298; FMCSA-2014-0302; FMCSA-2014-0304; FMCSA-2015-0055; FMCSA-2015-0056 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.
- *Hand Delivery:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.
- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

Instructions: Each submission must include the Agency name and the docket number(s) for this notice. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading below for further information.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The FDMS is available 24 hours each day,

e.t., 365 days each year. If you want acknowledgment that we received your comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard or print the acknowledgement page that appears after submitting comments online.

Privacy Act: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy>.

I. Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA may grant an exemption for five years if it finds “such exemption would likely achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level that would be achieved absent such exemption.” The statute also allows the Agency to renew exemptions at the end of the five-year period. FMCSA grants exemptions from the FMCSRs for a two-year period to align with the maximum duration of a driver's medical certification.

The physical qualification standard for drivers regarding vision found in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10) states that a person is physically qualified to driver a CMV if that person has distant visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in each eye without corrective lenses or visual acuity separately corrected to 20/40 (Snellen) or better with corrective lenses, distant binocular acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in both eyes with or without corrective lenses, field of vision of at least 70° in the horizontal meridian in each eye, and the ability to recognize the colors of traffic signals and devices showing red, green, and amber.

The 60 individuals listed in this notice have requested renewal of their exemptions from the vision standard in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), in accordance with FMCSA procedures. Accordingly, FMCSA has evaluated these applications for renewal on their merits and decided to extend each exemption for a renewable two-year period.

II. Request for Comments

Interested parties or organizations possessing information that would otherwise show that any, or all, of these drivers are not currently achieving the statutory level of safety should immediately notify FMCSA. The Agency will evaluate any adverse evidence submitted and, if safety is being compromised or if continuation of