Establishment of Restricted Area R–2511 at Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, California

The Department of the Navy (DON) has prepared and filed the Draft Environmental Assessment—

effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. However, 49 U.S.C. 11326(c) does not provide for labor protection for transactions under 49 U.S.C. 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions to stay must be filed no later than June 24, 2021 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

All pleadings, referring to Docket No FD 36465, should be filed with the Surface Transportation Board via e-filing on the Board’s website. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Holdings’ representative, Bradon J. Smith, Fletcher & Sippel LLC, 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60606–3208.

According to Holdings, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic preservation reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b).

Board decisions and notices are available at www.stb.gov.

Decided: June 14, 2021.
By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Kenyatta Clay,
Clearance Clerk.

Supplementary Information:
The DON action proponent is NAWCWD, and the FAA is a cooperating agency. Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake (NAWSCL) is located in the western Mojave Desert region of California, approximately 150 miles (241 kilometers) northeast of Los Angeles. NAWSCL is host to NAWCWD and other Department of Defense activities. NAWCWD is the primary tenant command supported at NAWSCL. The Department of the Navy Center of Excellence for Weapons and Armaments has responsibility for RDAT&E for the entire spectrum of naval weapons and armaments (i.e., air, surface, and subsurface).

NAWSCL is separated into two range areas: The North and South ranges, which are overlain by two RAs. R–2505 overlies the North Range, and R–2524 overlies the South Range. NAWCWD, as the NAWSCL ranges’ scheduling organization, is the using agency that manages operations conducted within R–2505 and R–2524. The Joshua Control Facility (Joshua Approach) is the controlling agency for R–2505 and R–2524. Access to the SUA is governed by FAA regulations.

Currently, RDAT&E activities between the North and South ranges can be conducted by activating the TCFA. The TCFA is used for free flight weapon systems transitioning from areas within R–2505 to target areas within R–2524 and from launch areas within R–2524 to target areas within R–2505. The TCFA occupies altitudes with a floor of 6,000 feet (ft) (1,830 meters [m]) mean sea level (MSL) and a ceiling up to, but not including, Floor Level 200. Ground elevations under the TCFA range from 1,642 to 3,567 ft MSL (500 to 1,087 m MSL), providing a minimum of 2,433 ft (742 m) between the highest ground level point and the 6,000 ft MSL floor of the TCFA. The proposed R–2511 would have the same dimensions as the TCFA.

The DON distributed the Draft EA to federal agencies with which the DON is consulting and other stakeholders. The DON provided public notice in local newspapers. The R–2511 Draft EA is available for electronic viewing or download at https://R2511EA.com. A hard copy or electronic copy (on compact disc) of the Draft EA will be made available upon written request by contacting “R–2511 Establishment EA—Public Comments” at 901 North Heritage Drive, Suite 204, Ridgecrest, California 93555, Comments@R2511EA.com, or the project website at https://www.R2511EA.com.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:
Establishment of Restricted Area R–2511 at Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, CA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT; Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DON) has prepared and filed the Draft Environmental Assessment—
This notice is published pursuant to 14 CFR 11.85.

Timothy R. Adams,
Acting Executive Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Petitioner: Wittman Regional Airport.
Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected: § 139.101.

Description of Relief Sought: Wittman Regional Airport seeks an exemption from § 139.01(f) of title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations in order to permit certain unscheduled air carrier operations at Wittman Regional Airport (KOSH) at limited times during Experimental Aircraft Association AirVenture 2021.

Supplementary Information: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public’s awareness of, and participation in, FAA’s exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion nor omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Final Federal Agency Action on Proposed Highway Project in Georgia, the Courtesy Parkway Extension From Old Covington Highway to Flat Shoals Road, Rockdale County, Georgia (Atlanta Metropolitan Area)

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

ACTION: Notice of limitations on claims for judicial review of action by FHWA and other federal agencies.

SUMMARY: This notice announces actions taken by FHWA and other Federal agencies that are final. This final agency action relates to the construction of the new roadway, known as the Courtesy Parkway Extension, which would bridge over Interstate 20 (I–20) and tie into Flat Shoals Road east of Old Salem Road in Rockdale County, Georgia. The FHWA’s Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) provides details on the Selected Alternative for the proposed improvements.

DATES: By this notice, FHWA is advising the public of the final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(j)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency actions on the highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before November 15, 2021. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such a claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

For Further Information Contact: For FHWA: Mr. Aaron Hernandez, Environmental Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration Georgia Division, 61 Forsyth Street, Suite 17T100, Atlanta, Georgia 30303; telephone (404) 562–3584; email: aaron.hernandez@dot.gov. The FHWA Georgia Division Office’s normal business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday.

For Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT): Mr. Eric Duff, State Environmental Administrator, Georgia Department of Transportation, 600 Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308; telephone (404) 631–1100; email: eduff@dot.ga.gov. The GDOT Office of Environmental Service’s normal business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday.

Supplementary Information: Notice is hereby given that FHWA has taken a final agency action by issuing a FONSI for the following highway project in the State of Georgia: The Courtesy Parkway Extension located in Rockdale County, Georgia. The proposed project will increase north-south connectivity between residential areas south of I–20 and commercial areas north of I–20, provide congestion relief, and reduce the frequency and severity of crashes along SR 136/ McDonough Highway through the construction of a new location roadway, Courtesy Parkway Extension (N 33.645040, E–83.991673), that would bridge over Interstate 20 (I–20) and tie into Flat Shoals Road Southeast (SE) located approximately 0.5 miles east of Old Salem Road SE and includes connecting roads to Iris Drive. The project would include a new, three-lane, undivided urban roadway from Old Covington Highway to Flat Shoals Road, totaling 1.5 miles. The roadway would bridge over I–20, 1,200 feet east of the existing Courtesy Parkway and would include connection roadways to tie into Iris Drive. The roadway would intersect with Courtesy Parkway alignment from this intersection to Old Covington Highway. The project would include intersection improvements on Flat Shoals Road, Old Covington Highway, and Iris Drive for additional turn lanes. The typical section of the roadway would include curb, gutter, and sidewalk. Five-foot sidewalks are proposed on the existing roads, including Flat Shoals Road and Old Covington Highway as well as the proposed new roadway. Six-foot sidewalks would be added to the proposed bridge.

The FHWA’s action, related actions by other Federal agencies, and the laws