

(ISAB) to take place on June 05, 2023, at the Department of State, Washington, DC.

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. 1009(d), and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), it has been determined that this Board meeting will be closed to the public because the Board will be reviewing and discussing matters properly classified in accordance with E.O. 13526. The purpose of the ISAB is to provide the Department with a continuing source of independent advice on all aspects of arms control, disarmament, nonproliferation, outer space, critical infrastructure, cybersecurity, the national security aspects of associated technologies, international security, and related aspects of public diplomacy. The agenda for this meeting will include classified discussions related to the Board's ongoing studies on current U.S. policy and issues regarding arms control, international security, nuclear proliferation, associated technologies, climate and energy security.

For more information, contact Michelle Dover, Executive Director of the International Security Advisory Board, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, telephone: (202) 736-4930.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on the Spur 399 Extension Project in Texas

AGENCY: Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), U.S. Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of limitation on claims for judicial review of actions by TxDOT and Federal agencies.

SUMMARY: This notice announces actions taken by TxDOT and Federal agencies that are final. The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by TxDOT pursuant to an assignment agreement executed by FHWA and TxDOT. These actions grant licenses, permits, and approvals for the Spur 399 Extension Project, from US 75 to US 380 in Collin County, Texas.

DATES: By this notice, TxDOT is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of TxDOT and Federal agency actions on the Spur 399 Extension Project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before the deadline. For the Spur 399 Extension Project the deadline is October 6, 2023. 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:

Patrick Lee, Environmental Affairs Division, Texas Department of Transportation, 125 East 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701; telephone: (512) 416-2358; email: Patrick.Lee@txdot.gov. TxDOT's normal business hours are 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (central time), Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Spur 399 Extension Project will construct an eight-lane freeway with frontage roads connecting US 75 with US 380. The project will add one travel lane in each direction and an exit ramp within the existing SH 5 corridor extending from the US 75/SH 5/SRT-SH 121 junction to approximately 1,500 feet south of the intersection of FM 546/Harry McKillop Boulevard and SH 5. The project will then extend Spur 399 east on new location crossing Airport Drive/Old Mill Road and continuing further east and south around the southern end of the Airport, then turning north near CR 317 to connect to US 380 east of the Airport. The project is approximately 6.25 miles in length.

The actions by TxDOT and Federal agencies and the laws under which such actions were taken are described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement, Record of Decision (ROD) issued on March 29, 2023, and other documents in the TxDOT project file. The Final Environmental Impact Statement, ROD, and other documents in the TxDOT project file are available by contacting the TxDOT Dallas District Office at 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, TX 75150; telephone: (214) 320-4480.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for the Spur 299 Extension Project are being, or have been, carried out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

Notice is hereby given that TxDOT and Federal agencies have taken final agency actions by issuing licenses,

permits, and approvals for the Spur 399 Extension Project in the State of Texas.

This notice applies to all TxDOT and Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

1. *General:* National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321–4351]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109].

2. *Air:* Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401–7671(q)].

3. *Land:* Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303]; Landscaping and Scenic Enhancement (Wildflowers) [23 U.S.C. 319].

4. *Wildlife:* Endangered Species Act [16 U.S.C. 1531–1544 and section 1536], Marine Mammal Protection Act [16 U.S.C. 1361], Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661–667(d)], Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703–712].

5. *Historic and Cultural Resources:* Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [54 U.S.C. 300101 *et seq.*]; Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 [16 U.S.C. 470(aa)–11]; Archeological and Historic Preservation Act [54 U.S.C. 312501 *et seq.*]; Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) [25 U.S.C. 3001–3013].

6. *Social and Economic:* Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000(d)–2000(d)(1)]; American Indian Religious Freedom Act [42 U.S.C. 1996]; Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) [7 U.S.C. 4201–4209].

7. *Wetlands and Water Resources:* Clean Water Act [33 U.S.C. 1251–1377] (section 404, section 401, section 319); Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) [16 U.S.C. 4601–4604]; Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) [42 U.S.C. 300(f)–300(j)(6)]; Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 [33 U.S.C. 401–406]; Wild and Scenic Rivers Act [16 U.S.C. 1271–1287]; Emergency Wetlands Resources Act [16 U.S.C. 3921, 3931]; TEA–21 Wetlands Mitigation [23 U.S.C. 103(b)(6)(m), 133(b)(11)]; Flood Disaster Protection Act [42 U.S.C. 4001–4128].

8. *Executive Orders:* E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management; E.O. 12898 Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514 Protection and Enhancement of

Environmental Quality; E.O. 13112 Invasive Species.
(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction.)

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Notice of Funding Opportunity for Interstate Rail Compacts

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of funding opportunity (NOFO or notice).

SUMMARY: This notice details the application requirements and procedures to obtain grant funding for eligible projects under the Interstate Rail Compacts Grant Program. The opportunities described in this notice are made available under Assistance Listings Number 20.328.

DATES: Applications for funding under this solicitation are due no later than 5 p.m. ET, July 10, 2023. Applications that are incomplete or received after 5 p.m. ET on July 10, 2023 will not be considered for funding. See Section D of this notice for additional information on the application process.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted via www.Grants.gov. Only applicants who comply with all submission requirements described in this notice and submit applications through www.Grants.gov will be eligible for award. For any supporting application materials that an applicant is unable to submit via www.Grants.gov, an applicant may submit an original and two (2) copies to Mr. Marc Dixon, Office of Rail Program Development, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Mail Stop 20, Washington, DC 20590. However, due to delays caused by enhanced screening of mail delivered via the U.S. Postal Service, applicants are advised to use other means of conveyance (such as courier service) to assure timely receipt of materials before the application deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further project or program-related information in this notice, please contact the FRA NOFO Support

program staff via email at FRA-NOFO-Support@dot.gov. If additional assistance is needed you may contact Mr. Marc Dixon, Office of Rail Program Development, Federal Railroad Administration; email: marc.dixon@dot.gov; phone: 202-493-0614.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Notice to applicants: FRA recommends that applicants read this notice in its entirety prior to preparing application materials. Definitions of key terms used throughout the NOFO are provided in Section A.2. These key terms are capitalized throughout the NOFO. There are several administrative prerequisites and specific eligibility requirements described herein with which applicants must comply. Additionally, applicants should note that the required Project Narrative component of the application package may not exceed 15 pages in length.

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A. Program Description

1. Overview

The Interstate Rail Compacts grant program (Program) is a new competitive program that will provide financial assistance to entities implementing Interstate Rail Compacts pursuant to section 410 of the Amtrak Reform and Accountability Act of 1997 (49 U.S.C. 24101). The purpose of the Program is to improve, promote, and develop intercity passenger rail service, including activities related to the financing of such service, and to encourage multi-state grant applications. Grants under the Program are authorized for costs of administration; systems planning, including studying the impacts on freight rail operations and ridership; promotion of intercity passenger rail operation; preparation of applications for competitive Federal grant programs; and operations coordination.

The Program is authorized in section 22306 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, 2021, Div B, Tit. II, Public Law 117-58 (IIJA); codified at 49 U.S.C. 22910. This NOFO is funded by the advanced appropriations provided under Division J of IIJA. The opportunity described in this NOFO is made available under Assistance

Listings Number 20.328, "Interstate Rail Compacts."

In August 2022, FRA published a Request for Information (RFI) in the **Federal Register** to solicit input from stakeholders about implementing the Program (Docket No. FRA-2022-0064). FRA received nine comments in response to the RFI. FRA considered the comments received in preparing this NOFO. Specifically, FRA incorporated feedback from commenters in providing examples of eligible activities. In addition, the RFI solicited input from stakeholders about technical support or other types of assistance FRA may be able to offer to States interested in establishing IRCs. FRA is continuing to review this feedback as it considers how to provide technical support for such endeavors.

While the discretionary grant awards funded through the Program will not directly fund rail capital projects, the activities supported by the Program will help prepare entities implementing Interstate Rail Compacts to develop rail capital projects that advance safety, economic strength and global competitiveness, equity, climate and sustainability, and transformation, consistent with the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) strategic goals.¹

Section E of this NOFO, which outlines the grant selection criteria, describes the process for selecting grant projects that further these goals. Section F.3 describes progress and performance reporting requirements for selected grant projects. This NOFO uses the term project to describe the set of activities proposed for funding in the application.

2. Definitions of Key Terms

Terms defined in this section are capitalized throughout this NOFO.

a. "Intercity Rail Passenger Transportation" means rail passenger transportation, except commuter rail passenger transportation. See 49 U.S.C. 22901(3). In this notice, "Intercity Passenger Rail Service" and "Intercity Passenger Rail Transportation" are equivalent terms to "Intercity Rail Passenger Transportation."

b. "Interstate Rail Compact" for the purposes of this program, means legislatively enacted agreement or compact that establishes a formal, legally binding relationship between two or more States to prepare for and provide Intercity Passenger Rail Service.

¹ DOT Strategic Goals are identified in the DOT Strategic Plan FY 2022-2026 (March 2022) at https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/2022-04/US_DOT_FY2022-26_Strategic_Plan.pdf.