

The program is scheduled to run from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday.

Time permitting, the discussion is expected to focus on developments in a number of areas, e.g., federalism issues in implementing private international law conventions (including the Hague Convention on Choice of Court Agreements, the UNCITRAL E-Commerce and Letter of Credit Conventions, and others); globalization and cross-border corporate insolvency; international arbitration; investment securities, market stability and treaty law; international family law; private international law initiatives in the OAS; on-line dispute resolution; and treaty-based finance law. We encourage active participation by all those attending.

Documents on these subjects are available at <http://www.hcch.net>; <http://www.uncitral.org>; <http://www.unidroit.org>; <http://www.oas.org>, and <http://www.nccusl.org>. We may, by e-mail, supplement those with additional documents.

Please advise as early as possible if you plan to attend. The meeting is open to the public up to the capacity of the conference facility, and space will be reserved on a first come, first served basis. Persons who wish to have their views considered are encouraged, but not required, to submit written comments in advance. Those who are unable to attend are also encouraged to submit written views. Comments should be sent electronically to smeltzertk@state.gov. Those planning to attend should provide name, affiliation and contact information to Trish Smeltzer at 703-812-2382 or Niesha Toms at 703-812-2353, or by e-mail to tomsnn@state.gov. You may also use those contacts to obtain additional information. A member of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise those same contacts not later than October 21st. Requests made after that date will be considered, but might not be able to be fulfilled.

September 15, 2010.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties, CA; Notice of Intent

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Withdrawal/Revised Notice of Intent (NOI).

SUMMARY: The FHWA, on behalf of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), is issuing this notice to advise the public that the Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed New State Route 138 project in Los Angeles County, California (**Federal Register** Vol. 74, No. 16) and the Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed High Desert Corridor project, State Route 18, in San Bernardino County, California (**Federal Register** Vol. 72, No. 197) are being withdrawn. In addition, this notice is being issued to advise the public that a draft EIS will be prepared for a proposed expanded High Desert Corridor—New State Route 138 project in Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties, California.

DATES: Public scoping meetings will be held in:

- (1) Palmdale, CA on September 27, 2010, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- (2) Lancaster, CA on September 28, 2010, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- (3) Apple Valley, CA on September 29, 2010, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- (4) Victorville, CA on September 30, 2010, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

ADDRESSES:

- (1) Palmdale—Larry Chimbole Cultural Center, 38350 North Sierra Highway, Palmdale, CA 93550.
- (2) Lancaster—Lancaster City Hall, Emergency Operations Center, 44933 Fern Avenue, Lancaster, CA 93534.
- (3) Apple Valley—Town of Apple Valley Development Services Building Conference Center, 14955 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307.
- (4) Victorville—City of Victorville Conference Room D, 14343 Civic Drive, Victorville, CA 92393.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ronald Kosinski, Deputy District Director, California Department of Transportation District 7 Division of Environmental Planning, 100 South Main Street, Mail Stop 16A, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Effective July 1, 2007, the FHWA assigned, and Caltrans assumed, environmental responsibilities for these projects

pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327. Caltrans, as the delegated National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) lead agency, initiated studies on the proposed New State Route 138 and High Desert Corridor, State Route 18 projects. NOIs were published in the **Federal Register** on January 27, 2009 (Vol. 74, No. 16) and October 12, 2007 (Vol. 72, No. 197). During the course of conducting studies and coordinating with regulatory and resource agencies for the proposed projects, it was determined that the projects should be combined into one larger High Desert Corridor—New State Route 138 project. A Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared for a proposal to construct a new freeway/expressway, and possibly a toll way, between SR-14 in Los Angeles County and SR-18 in San Bernardino County. The proposed route would run primarily in an east-west direction and extend for approximately 63 miles; it would roughly follow the alignment of the Avenue P-8 corridor near SR-14 in Los Angeles County and Air Expressway near I-15 in San Bernardino County. East of I-15, the proposed route would turn south until it terminates at SR-18. The development of this corridor is considered necessary to provide for the existing and projected traffic demand attributed to large-scale growth and increasing population in the Antelope, Victor and Apple Valley areas of Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties. This growth has resulted in inadequate capacity and accessibility along the existing east-west trending roadways as well as an increase in demand for goods movement corridors and access to regional airports.

Alternatives under consideration are: (1)—No-Build; (2)—Transportation System Management/Transportation Demand Management (TSM/TDM). This includes various operational investments, policies, and easily implemented, low capital cost improvements aimed at improving goods movement, passenger auto and transit travel, and reducing the environmental impacts of transportation for cities and operations in the High Desert Corridor study area; (3)—Freeway/Expressway. This would consist of a route with a controlled-access freeway in some areas and an expressway in others, depending on what is warranted by traffic demand. Interchange locations will be determined based upon traffic projections. Three variations along the main alignment of this alternative will be considered. In Variation A, the freeway/expressway would run slightly

south of the main alignment, approximately between 15th St. East and Little Rock Wash near Palmdale. In Variation B, the freeway/expressway would run slightly south of the main alignment between Oasis Rd. and Caughlin Rd. East of the county line. In Variation C, the freeway/expressway would swing south of the main alignment to tie into SR-18 near Rimrock Rd.; (4)—Freeway/Toll Way. This would consist of engineering geometrics similar to Alternative 3 with alterations made in coordination with a Public Private Partnership (P3) analysis. Variations A, B and C would also be considered; (5)—Avenue P-8 Corridor, SR-138 and SR-18 Improvements. This would consist of engineering geometrics similar to Alternative 3 between SR-14 and approximately 125th St. East. From 125th St. East, the route would curve south until it joins the existing SR-138. The existing SR-138 and SR-18 would be widened between approximately 146th St. East and I-15. One of the segments east of I-15, as described in Alternative 3, would also be built as part of this alternative; (6)—Freeway/Expressway with right-of-way for a potential High Speed Rail facility. This would consist of engineering geometrics similar to Alternative 3 with the consideration of additional right-of-way for a High Speed Rail (HSR) facility. If an HSR facility is proven to be viable, its engineering and environmental analysis would be funded by others at some later time, and; (7)—Freeway/Toll Way with right-of-way for a potential High Speed Rail facility. This would consist of engineering geometrics similar to Alternative 4 with the consideration of additional right-of-way for a High Speed Rail (HSR) facility. This alternative would include a P3 analysis. If a HSR facility is proven to be viable, its engineering and environmental analysis would be funded by others at some later time.

It is anticipated that the proposed project may require the following federal approvals and permits: A Biological Opinion from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, approval of a PM10 and PM2.5 Hot Spot Analysis by the Conformity Working Group for transportation conformity determination under the Clean Air Act, Section 401, 402 and 404 permits under the Clean Water Act, and a Farmland Conversion Impact Rating under the Farmland Protection Policy Act.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State and local agencies, Participating Agencies, Tribal governments, and to private organizations and citizens who have

previously expressed or are known to have an interest in this proposal. NEPA requires the lead agency to conduct an early and open process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed and for identifying the significant issues related to a proposed action. In compliance with NEPA, formal scoping meetings will be held at the dates, times and locations as described above. Public notice will be given of the times and place of each meeting. 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 draft EIS should be directed to Caltrans 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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Cindy Vigue,

Director, State Programs, Federal Highway Administration, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Sunshine Act Meetings; Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors

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

TIME AND DATE: October 14, 2010, 12 noon to 3 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

PLACE: This meeting will take place telephonically. Any interested person may call 877.768.0032 passcode 4856462 to participate in this meeting by telephone.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors (the Board) will continue its work in developing and implementing the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement and to that end, may consider matters properly before the Board.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Avelino Gutierrez, Chair, Unified Carrier Registration Board of Directors at (505) 827-4565.

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Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 20, 2010

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following public information collection requirements to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. A copy of the submissions may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding these information collections should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 11010, Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 25, 2010 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0015.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title: United States Estate (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return.

Form: 706 and schedules.

Abstract: Form 706 is used by executors to report and compute the Federal Estate Tax imposed by IRC section 2001 and the Federal GST tax imposed by IRC section 2601. IRS uses the information to enforce these taxes and to verify that the tax has been properly computed.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 2,046,350 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-0026.

Type of Review: Extension without change to a currently approved collection.

Title: Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation.

Form: 926.

Abstract: Form 926 is filed by any U.S. person who transfers certain tangible or intangible property to a foreign corporation to report information required by section 6038B.

Respondents: Private Sector: Businesses or other for-profits.