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Need for and Use of Information: TVA is committed to involving the public in developing plans for managing aquatic plants in individual TVA lakes under a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement completed in August 1993. This proposed survey will provide a mechanism for obtaining input into this planning process from a representative sample of people living near each lake. The information obtained from the survey will be factored into the development of aquatic plant management plans for mainstream Tennessee River lakes.

Jacklyn J. Stephenson,

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Meeting of the Regional Resource Stewardship Council

AGENCY: Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Regional Resource Stewardship Council (Regional Council) will hold a meeting to consider various matters. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, (FACA).

The meeting agenda includes the following briefings:

1. Feedback from TVA on the Recommendations Submitted to the TVA Board of Directors
2. Recommendation on Appropriations Funding of TVA Nonpower Programs
3. Recommendation from the Water Quality Subcommittee on Water Use Management
4. Public Comments
5. Progress Report on the Reservoir Operations Study
6. Discussion of Recommendations
7. Status of the Council Report from TVA

It is the Regional Council's practice to provide an opportunity for members of the public to make oral public comments at its meetings. Public comment session is scheduled from 1 to 2 p.m. Central time. Members of the public who wish to make oral public comments may do so during the Public

comment portion of the agenda. Up to one hour will be allotted for the Public comments with participation available on a first-come, first-served basis. Speakers addressing the Council are requested to limit their remarks to no more than 5 minutes. Persons wishing to speak register at the door and are then called on by the Council Chair during the public comment period. Handout materials should be limited to one printed page. Written comments are also invited and may be mailed to the Regional Resource Stewardship Council, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT 11A, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, January 31, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time. Public comments are scheduled to begin at 1 p.m., ending by 2 p.m. Central Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Huntsville Marriott, 5 Tranquility Base, Huntsville, Alabama 35805, and will be open to the public. Anyone needing special access or accommodations should let the contact below know at least a week in advance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra L Hill, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT 11A, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, (865) 632-2333.

Dated: January 3, 2002.

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Executive Vice President, River System Operations and Environment, Tennessee Valley Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

New Mail Delivery/Document Filing Information Relating to Department of Transportation Informal Rulemaking Proceedings and Certain Preemption Determination Proceedings

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation now is receiving all United States Postal Service (USPS) deliveries. However, actions taken over the last three months in response to the September 11 terrorist attacks and to contain the anthrax threat have significantly delayed or prevented our receipt of mail sent to DOT. These actions may have caused filings related to DOT informal rulemaking and certain preemption determination proceedings to arrive after the close of the comment

period or not at all. We are providing notice of alternative methods for ensuring that your filings come to us. We also want to assure you that we will do everything that we can to consider comments that we otherwise would have received before the close of the comment period.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gwyneth Radloff, Office of the General Counsel, 400 Seventh St. SW., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-9319. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Dorothy Beard, Chief, Dockets, Department of Transportation, telephone 202-366-5149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: After the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, overnight shippers, e.g., FEDEX, advised the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) offices that they faced delivery delays because the airlines had been grounded. In addition, DOT requested that, beginning October 16, 2001, the United States Postal Service (USPS) halt most mail deliveries until it could put in place appropriate safety measures to address the potential threat from anthrax-contaminated mail. Mail caught in transit between October 13 and October 22 at DC's Brentwood Facility, where testers found traces of anthrax, may be part of quarantined mail that we might never receive (although we did get one delivery on October 22, 2001). Mail sent to DOT from mid-October to November 27 has been significantly delayed. DOT began receiving mail again on November 28. Even now, the USPS continues to irradiate first class and express mail bound for DOT. This means that we will receive mail after delays of a week or more. We do not know the full extent of the impact delayed or blocked mail delivery will have on our informal rulemaking proceedings and preemption determination proceedings for the Research and Special Programs Administration and Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

We wish to advise the public that we will take this interruption of mail service into account, with respect to DOT rulemakings or preemption determination proceedings with comment periods that closed before mail delivery resumed on November 28, 2001. In some cases, where feasible, our agencies are extending or reopening comment periods. In other cases, we will do everything possible to ensure that we consider comments that we otherwise would have received before the close of the comment period. For example, we generally have the authority to consider late-filed

comments and will do so to the extent practicable. We will also take note of the date of the USPS postmark for late-filed comments. Please note that Docket Office time stamps all items as they receive them.

Because we cannot be sure if we received filings sent just before October 13 or when, if ever, we will receive filings and comments caught in Brentwood between October 13 and November 27, please check our Dockets Web page (<http://dms.dot.gov>) to see if we received and processed your document(s). If your document is not in the electronic docket, we may not have received it. Please bear in mind that processing a document into the electronic system after receipt may take up to eight business days, especially since the DOT Mail Room must x-ray and screen all package deliveries prior to their acceptance into the DOT Docket Management System. If you do not have the electronic capability to check the docket, many public libraries have computers that you can use to electronically search the DOT dockets. Also, you can come to DOT and use the reading room computers in our Dockets Office, which is located on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, and is open between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

If your check of the docket reveals that we have not received your document, please fax us a copy at 202-493-2251 or resubmit your document with a notation that you are resending it. Please send it to the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Please make sure the docket number is noted on the first page. We ask you to take these steps as soon as possible so that we will be able to consider your comments if we still can.

This notice addresses only preemption determination proceedings of the Research and Special Programs Administration and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and informal rulemaking proceedings conducted by any of the Department's agencies: the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Maritime Administration, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Office of the Secretary, the Research and Special Programs Administration,

the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, and the U.S. Coast Guard.

We currently are accepting U.S. mail delivery by the USPS and deliveries from alternate delivery carriers. We also are accepting hand-delivered packages in the Docket Office, which is located on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. In addition, where possible, we encourage filers to use our Electronic Submission System on the DOT Dockets Web page (<http://dms.dot.gov>) by clicking on ES Submit and following the online instructions.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 31, 2001.

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General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Opportunity To Participate, Criteria Requirements and Change of Application Procedure for Participation in the Military Airport Program (MAP)

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

ACTION: Notice of criteria and application procedure for designation or re-designation, for the fiscal year 2002 MAP.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the criteria, application procedures and schedule to be applied by the Secretary of Transportation in designating or re-designating, and funding capital development annually for 15 current (joint-use) or former military airports seeking designation or re-designation to participate in the MAP. This Notice reflects and incorporates changes made to MAP in the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century.

The MAP allows the Secretary to designate current (joint-use) or former military airports for which grants may be made under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). The Secretary is authorized to designate an airport (other than an airport so designated before August 24, 1994) if: (1) The airport is a former military installation closed or realigned under the Title 10 U.S.C. 2687 announcement of closures of large Department of Defense installations after September 30, 1977, or under section 201 or 2905 of the Defense

Authorization Amendments and Base Closure and Realignment Acts; or (2) the airport is a military installation with both military and civil aircraft operations. The Secretary shall consider for designation only those current or former military airports, at least partly converted to civilian airports as part of the national air transportation system, that will reduce delays at airports with more than 20,000 hours of annual delays in commercial passenger aircraft takeoffs and landings, or will enhance airport and air traffic control system capacity in metropolitan areas or reduce current and projected flight delays (49 U.S.C. 47118(c)).

DATES: Airport sponsors should address written applications for new designation and re-designation in the MAP to the FAA Regional Airports Division or Airports District Office that serves the airport. That office of the FAA must receive applications on or before February 14, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit an original and two copies of Standard Form (SF) 424, "Application for Federal Assistance," prescribed by the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-102, available at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/grants/index.html>, along with any supporting and justifying documentation. Applicant should specifically request to be considered for designation or re-designation to participate in the fiscal year 2002 MAP. Submission should be sent to the Regional FAA Airports Division or Airports District Office that serves the airport. Applicants may find the proper office on the FAA Web site <http://www.faa.gov/arp/arphome.htm> or may contact the office below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Murdock (oliver.murdock@faa.gov) or Leonard C. Sandelli (len.sandelli@faa.gov), Military Airport Program Branch (APP-420), Office of Airport Planning and Programming, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, (202) 267-8244, or (202) 267-8785, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

General Description of the Program

The MAP provides capital development assistance to civil airport sponsors of designated current (joint-use) military airfields or former military airports that are included in the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS). Airports designated under the program may obtain funds from a set-aside (currently four-percent) of AIP discretionary funds to undertake eligible airport development, including