

used to collect the information from the representatives. This information collection will not require complex statistical analysis and will not be published for general public consumption. The collection will be used to support further research in developing and evaluating a methodology to set and support National and State highway safety performance measures and targets. *Respondents:* State DOT's the District of Columbia, and select MPOs and local departments of transportation (160 total).

Frequency: Annually.

Estimated Average Burden per

Response: It will take approximately 30 minutes per participant.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: Approximately 30 hours annually.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the U.S. DOT's performance, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the U.S. DOT's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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Michael Howell,

Acting Chief, Management Programs and Analysis Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[FHWA Docket No. FHWA-2011-0125]

Section 4(f) Policy Paper

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice; Request for comments.

SUMMARY: This is a notice and request for comments on a draft Section 4(f) Policy Paper that will provide guidance on the procedures the FHWA will

follow when approving the use of land from publicly owned public parks, recreation areas, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and public or private historic sites for Federal highway projects.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 3, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand deliver comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, or fax comments to (202) 493-2251. Alternatively, comments may be submitted to the Federal eRulemaking portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments must include the docket number that appears in the heading of this document. All comments received will be available for examination and copying at the above address from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard or you may print the acknowledgment page that appears after submitting comments electronically. Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments in any one of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, or labor union). Anyone may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70, Pages 19477-78), or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about the notice discussed herein, contact Ms. MaryAnn Naber, Federal Preservation Officer, FHWA Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty, (202) 366-2060, or via email at MaryAnn.Naber@dot.gov. For legal questions, please contact Ms. Diane Mobley, Attorney Advisor, FHWA Office of the Chief Counsel, (202) 366-1366, or via email at Diane.Mobley@dot.gov. Business hours for the FHWA are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access and Filing

You may submit or retrieve comments online through the Federal eRulemaking portal at: <http://www.regulations.gov>. The Web site is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Electronic submission and retrieval help and guidelines are available under the help section of the Web site.

An electronic copy of this document may also be downloaded from Office of

the Federal Register's home page at: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register and the Government Printing Office's Web page at: <http://www.fdsys.gov>. Late comments will be considered to the extent practicable.

Background

A copy of the proposed Section 4(f) Policy Paper is available for download and public inspection under the docket number noted above at the Federal eRulemaking portal at: <http://www.regulations.gov>. The FHWA invites comments on the proposed policy paper. The FHWA requests that commenters cite the page number of the policy paper for which each specific comment to the docket is concerned, to help make the FHWA's docket comment review process more efficient.

The Section 4(f) Policy Paper was written primarily to aid FHWA personnel with administering Section 4(f) in a consistent manner across the country and is intended to supplement the FHWA's regulations governing Section 4(f). Section 4(f) concerns the use of land from publicly owned parks, recreation areas, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and public or private historic sites for Federal highway projects. Although these requirements are now codified at 23 U.S.C. 138 and 49 U.S.C. 303, the subject matter remains commonly referred to as "Section 4(f)" because the requirements originated in Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-670, 80 Stat. 931). The FHWA's Section 4(f) regulations, entitled "Parks, Recreation Areas, Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges, and Historic Sites," were promulgated in 2008 and are codified at 23 CFR Part 774. When finalized, this draft Section 4(f) Policy Paper will replace the previous Section 4(f) Policy Paper that was issued by FHWA in 2005. Congress amended Section 4(f) in Section 6009 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (Pub. L. 109-59, Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1144). This draft Section 4(f) Policy Paper incorporates the changes required by Section 6009 of SAFETEA-LU and the 2008 regulations.

Comments on the draft Section 4(f) Policy Paper are welcome from any interested party, including highway project applicants; Federal, State, and local resource agencies; industry trade groups; environmental organizations; and the general public. The FHWA will consider all comments received during the comment period prior to finalizing the Section 4(f) Policy Paper.

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 101, 109, 138 and 139; 23 CFR 1.32 and 774; 49 U.S.C. 303; and, 49 CFR 1.48(b).

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Victor M. Mendez,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Notice of Limitation on Claims Against Proposed Public Transportation Projects

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of limitation on claims.

SUMMARY: This notice announces final environmental actions taken by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for projects in the following locations: New York, NY; Charlotte, NC; Savannah, GA; and Irving and Grapevine, TX. The purpose of this notice is to announce publicly the environmental decisions by FTA on the subject projects and to activate the limitation on any claims that may challenge these final environmental actions.

DATES: By this notice, FTA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to Section 139(l) of Title 23, United States Code (U.S.C.). A claim seeking judicial review of the FTA actions announced herein for the listed public transportation project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before July 2, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy-Ellen Zusman, Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel, (312) 353-2577 or Terence Plaskon, Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Human and Natural Environment, (202) 366-0442. FTA is located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., EST, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that FTA has taken final agency actions by issuing certain approvals for the public transportation projects listed below. The actions on these projects, as well as the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the documentation issued in connection with the project to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and in other documents in the FTA administrative record for the projects. Interested parties may contact either the

project sponsor or the relevant FTA Regional Office for more information on the project. Contact information for FTA's Regional Offices may be found at <http://www.fta.dot.gov>.

This notice applies to all FTA decisions on the listed projects as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including, but not limited to, NEPA [42 U.S.C. 4321-4375], Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303], Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 470f], and the Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q]. This notice does not, however, alter or extend the limitation period of 180 days for challenges of project decisions subject to previous notices published in the **Federal Register**. The projects and actions that are the subject of this notice are:

1. *Project name and location:* East Side Access, New York, NY. *Project sponsor:* Metropolitan Transportation Authority. *Project description:* The East Side Access Project will connect the Long Island Rail Road's (LIRR) Main and Port Washington Lines in Queens to a new LIRR terminal beneath Grand Central Terminal in Manhattan. Various project changes have been evaluated in five technical memoranda. *Final agency actions:* FTA determination that neither a supplemental environmental impact statement nor a supplemental environmental assessment is necessary. *Supporting documentation:* Technical Memorandum No. 6, assessing design changes to the 48th Street Entrance, dated November 2011.

2. *Project name and location:* LYNX Blue Line Extension Northeast Corridor Light Rail Project, Charlotte, NC. *Project sponsor:* Charlotte Area Transit System. *Project description:* The project will add approximately 9.4 miles of light rail line and 11 new stations to the existing light rail system. This will extend service from Ninth Street in Center City through the North Davidson and University areas to UNC Charlotte. *Final agency actions:* Section 4(f) *de minimis* impact determination; Section 106 finding of no adverse effect; project-level air quality conformity; and Record of Decision, dated December 2011. *Supporting documentation:* LYNX Blue Line Extension Northeast Corridor Light Rail Project Final Environmental Impact Statement, August 2011.

3. *Project name and location:* Chatham Area Transit Downtown Intermodal Terminal, Savannah, GA. *Project sponsor:* Chatham Area Transit Authority (CAT). *Project description:* The proposed change in the project consists of the construction of a

Downtown Intermodal Terminal for bus operations in Savannah, GA. The facility will be constructed in an existing transportation building that currently is used by the Greyhound Bus Service. The building will be renovated to allow for joint operations of both the local transit system operated by CAT as well as the intercity transit system operated by Greyhound. *Final agency actions:* Section 4(f) *de minimis* impact determination; a Section 106 Memorandum of Agreement; project-level air quality conformity; and Revised Finding of No Significant Impact (Revised FONSI), dated December 2011. *Supporting documentation:* Chatham Area Transit Environmental Assessment, dated September 2008.

4. *Project name and location:* Dallas Area Rapid Transit Orange Line Dallas/Fort Worth (DFW) Airport Extension (Irving-3), Irving and Grapevine, TX. *Project sponsor:* Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART). *Project description:* The project consists of a 5.17-mile light rail transit (LRT), double track alignment that extends northwest from the Belt Line Station (current terminus of the Orange Line) before turning south along International Parkway to end near Terminal A. The alignment is primarily at-grade but also consists of portions of retained earth and aerial structures. A storage yard, the DFW Airport LRT Station and its pedestrian linkages are included as part of the project. *Final agency actions:* no use of Section 4(f) resources; Section 106 finding of no adverse effect; project-level air quality conformity; and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), dated October 2011. *Supporting documentation:* Orange Line DFW Airport Extension (Irving-3) Environmental Assessment, September 2011.

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Lucy Garliauskas,

Associate Administrator for Planning and Environment, Washington, DC.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

Release of Waybill Data

The Surface Transportation Board has received a request from Michael Behe representing FRN, LLC (WB604-10-12/14/11) for permission to use certain data from the Board's 2010 Carload Waybill Sample. A copy of this request may be obtained from the Office of Economics.