

depicted on a noise exposure map submitted under § 47503 of the Act, it should be noted that the FAA is not involved in any way in determining the relative locations of specific properties with regard to the depicted noise contours, or in interpreting the NEMs to resolve questions concerning, for example, which properties should be covered by the provisions of § 47506 of the Act. These functions are inseparable from the ultimate land use control and planning responsibilities of local government. These local responsibilities are not changed in any way under 14 CFR Part 150 or through FAA's review of NEMs. Therefore, the responsibility for the detailed overlaying of noise exposure contours onto the map depicting properties on the surface rests exclusively with the airport operator that submitted those maps, or with those public agencies and planning agencies with which consultation is required under § 47503 of the Act. The FAA has relied on the certification by the airport operator, under 14 CFR 150.21, that the statutorily required consultation has been accomplished.

The FAA has formally received the noise compatibility program amendment for Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport, also effective on June 25, 2007. Preliminary review of the submitted material indicates that it conforms to the requirements for the submittal of noise compatibility programs, but that further review will be necessary prior to approval or disapproval of the program amendment. The formal review period, limited by law to a maximum of 180 days, will be completed on or before December 21, 2007.

The FAA's detailed evaluation will be conducted under the provisions of 14 CFR 150.33. The primary considerations in the evaluation process are whether the proposed amendment measures may reduce the level of aviation safety, create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce, or be reasonably consistent with obtaining the goal of reducing existing non-compatible land uses and preventing the introduction of additional non-compatible land uses.

Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed program with specific reference to these factors. All comments, other than those properly addressed to local land use authorities, will be considered by the FAA to the extent practicable. Copies of the NEMs, the FAA's evaluation of the maps, and the proposed noise compatibility program amendments are available for examination at the following locations:

Federal Aviation Administration Detroit Airports District Office, 11677 South Wayne Road, Suite 107, Romulus, Michigan 48174.

City of Springfield, Office of the City Manager, 76 E. High Street, Springfield, Ohio 45502.

Questions may be directed to the individual named above under the heading, **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Issued in Romulus, Michigan: June 25, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement; Whiteside County, IL

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for proposed transportation improvements between U.S. Route 30 and IL Route 136 intersection near Fulton, Illinois eastward to the U.S. Route 30 and IL Route 40 intersection in Rock Falls, Illinois.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Norman R. Stoner, P.E., Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 3250 Executive Park Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703, Phone: (217) 492-4600. George F. Ryan, P.E., Deputy Director of Highways, Region Two Engineer, Illinois Department of Transportation, 819 Depot Avenue, Dixon, Illinois 61021, Phone: (815) 284-2271.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on potential transportation improvements along an approximately 24-mile long corridor of U.S. Route 30 in Whiteside County, Illinois. Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to enhance mobility and improve system continuity.

Primary environmental resources that may be affected are: agricultural land, wetlands, floodplains, and streams. Compatibility with the regional land use plans and context sensitivity will also be important considerations.

Alternatives to be evaluated will include (1) Taking no action; (2) widening portions of the existing two-lane highway to four lanes; and (3) constructing a four-lane limited access highway on new location.

To help ensure that a full range of issues related to this proposed project are identified and addressed, a comprehensive public involvement program is underway. Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this project. A series of public informational meetings are being held and additional meetings will be held with community advisory groups, local and State officials, and public interest groups. A project web site and project hotline are established. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS are invited from all interested parties and should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above. A public hearing will be held after the draft EIS is published and made available for public and agency review. Public notice will be given of the time and place of meetings and the public hearing.

(Catalog of Federal of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, 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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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

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#### Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Renewals; Vision

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

**ACTION:** Notice of final disposition.

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA previously announced its decision to renew the exemptions from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety