

227-1570, Passcode: 5555. Details are also available on the ARAC calendar at <http://www1.faa.gov/avr/arm/arac/aracalendar.cfm>.

To ensure that sufficient telephone lines are available, please notify the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of your intent by June 12. Callers outside the Renton, Washington area will be responsible for paying long distance charges.

The public must make arrangements by June 12 to present oral statements at the meeting. Written statements may be presented to the committee at any time by providing 25 copies to the Assistant Executive Director for Transport Airplane and Engine issues or by providing copies at the meeting. Copies of the documents to be presented to ARAC for decision or as recommendations to the FAA may be made available by contacting the person listed under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

If you are in need of assistance or require a reasonable accommodation for the meeting or meeting documents, please contact the person listed under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Sign and oral interpretation, as well as a listening device, can be made available if requested 10 calendar days before the meeting.

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Florence L. Hamn,

Acting Director, Office of Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Draft Environmental Impact Statement Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation: Montgomery & Prince George's Counties, MD

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation will be prepared for a proposed transportation project in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nelson J. Castellanos, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, The Rotunda—Suite 220, 711 West 40th Street, Baltimore,

Maryland 21211, Telephone: (410) 962-4440.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Maryland Department of Transportation and the Maryland State Highway Administration is preparing a Draft EIS/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation for the proposed Intercounty Connector (ICC) transportation improvement project. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will be invited to participate as cooperating agencies. The proposed ICC project is intended to provide a multi-modal highway between I-270 in Montgomery County and I-95/US 1 in Prince George's County, Maryland, a distance of about 18 miles. The project has been designated a high priority project for expedited agency reviews under Executive Order 13274, Environmental Stewardship and Transportation Infrastructure Project Reviews.

Project studies pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) concerning the ICC project were most recently conducted in the early to late-1990s resulting in the completion of a Draft EIS/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation in 1997. Study alternatives were presented at four Location/Design Public Hearings in May and June 1997. The State of Maryland put the ICC project on hold shortly after the hearings.

The ICC project will involve the consideration of a reasonable range of alternatives that address the project goals. Consistent with NEPA, a full range of multi-modal highway alternatives will be considered, ranging from a No-Action Alternative to a limited access roadway on new location.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State and local agencies, private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in this project. Public information Meetings are tentatively scheduled for Summer 2003 with a Location/Design Public Hearing tentatively scheduled for late Fall/early Winter 2004. Public notice will be given of the time and place for the Public Information Meetings, Location/Design Public Hearing and other public meetings as they occur.

The Draft EIS/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing. Several scoping meetings for the public, agencies, and Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments will be conducted prior to publication of the Draft EIS/Draft

Section 4(f) Evaluation. Informational meetings and public outreach will be conducted throughout the project.

Comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties to ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are identified and addressed. Comments or questions concerning these proposed actions and the proposed Draft EIS/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided previously.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation of Federal Programs and activities apply to this program)

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Nelson J. Castellanos,

Division Administrator, Baltimore, Maryland.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Child Passenger Protection Education Grants

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Announcement of grants for child passenger protection education.

SUMMARY: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) announces a grant program under Section 2003(b) of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) to implement child passenger protection programs that are designed to prevent deaths and injuries to children, educate the public concerning the proper installation of child restraints, and train child passenger safety personnel concerning child restraint use. This notice solicits applications from the States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Territories and the Indian Tribes through the Secretary of the Interior.

DATES: Applications must be received by the office designated below on or before July 9, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to the appropriate National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Regional Administrator.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For program issues contact Ms. Judy A. Hammond, Office of Injury Control Operations and Resources, NTI-200, NHTSA, 400 Seventh Street, SW.,