

Transportation, telephone 202-366-5149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

We encourage you to submit comments and related material on the Draft EIS. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this notice (USCG-2003-15797) and give the reasons for each comment. You may submit your comments and material by mail, hand delivery, fax, or electronic means to the Docket Management Facility at the address under **ADDRESSES**; but please submit your comments and material by only one means. If you submit them by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Proposed Action

The project under consideration is a 14-mile monorail line in Seattle, Washington, that will provide transit service serving a number of Seattle communities and destinations. The project is being proposed by the Seattle Popular Monorail Authority (also known as Seattle Monorail Project or SMP), which is a city transportation authority organized under Washington Revised Code Chapter 35.95A. The Green Line would use traditional monorail technology, which consists of linked train cars straddling an elevated guideway beam that provides electric power to propel the train cars. Green Line trains would run on rubber tires that are locked into the beams and would be operated automatically and not require drivers.

The Green Line includes a new bridge crossing of the Lake Washington Ship Canal (near the existing Ballard Bridge), for which a bridge permit from the Coast Guard and environmental review pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) are required. A crossing of the Duwamish Waterway on the existing West Seattle High-Rise Bridge is proposed, and may also require a bridge permit from the Coast Guard depending on final design drawings. Comments regarding impacts that the proposed Green Line bridgework may have on navigation of the Lake Washington Ship Canal or the Duwamish Waterway will be of particular relevance to the Coast Guard's

bridge permitting responsibilities. In order to evaluate indirect and cumulative environmental impacts of the Coast Guard's bridge permit actions, the Coast Guard and the SMP have agreed that the scope of NEPA review should be the entire 14-mile Green Line proposal.

The Green Line is being proposed in accordance with Seattle Citizens' Petition No. 1, which was passed by Seattle voters in November 2002. In Petition No. 1, voters adopted the Seattle Popular Monorail Plan, created the SMP, required the SMP to adopt and implement the Seattle Popular Monorail Plan, and authorized funding for the construction and operation of the Green Line as described in the Plan. The proposed Green Line would run from the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle, through the Interbay and Ballard industrial areas, through downtown Seattle, through the South Downtown (SODO) industrial area, and then to the West Seattle neighborhood. The Green Line would connect the urban neighborhoods in Ballard and West Seattle with the industrial/manufacturing areas in the Interbay and SODO areas and with the downtown urban core and central business district of the City of Seattle.

Procedural

Individuals and representatives of organizations who wish to present testimony at the hearing or who want to be placed on the project mailing list, may submit a request to the Bridge Section at the address listed under **ADDRESSES** clearly indicating name and organization represented, if applicable. Requests to speak should be received no later than September 22, 2003, in order to ensure proper scheduling for the hearing. Attendees at the hearing, who wish to present testimony and have not previously made a request to do so, will follow those having submitted a request, as time permits. Speakers will be called in the order of receipt of the request. Depending upon the number of scheduled statements, the Coast Guard may limit the amount of time allowed for each speaker. Written statements and other exhibits in lieu of, or in addition to, oral statements at the hearing may be submitted to the Bridge Section at the address listed under **ADDRESSES** until October 14, 2003, to be included in the Public Hearing transcript. Beginning at 1 p.m. on the hearing date, Seattle Monorail Project representatives will be available with project display materials adjacent to the hearing room to explain the project and answer questions from the public.

Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities

For information about facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the Commander (oan), Thirteenth Coast Guard District. Please request these services by contacting the Bridge Section at the phone number under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or in writing at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Any requests for an oral or sign language interpreter must be received by September 22, 2003.

Authority: Section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 40 CFR 1503.1, 36 CFR 800.2(d).

Dated: July 30, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4820-N-35]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Application and Re-Certification Packages for Approval of Nonprofit Organizations in FHA Activities

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* October 28, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., L'Enfant Plaza Building, Room 8003, Washington, DC 20410, or Wayne_Eddins@hud.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vance T. Morris, Director, Office of Single Family Program Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW.,