

ACTION: Request for applications.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is seeking applications for appointment to membership on the Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC). CTAC provides advice and makes recommendations to the Coast Guard on matters relating to the safe transportation and handling of hazardous materials in bulk on U.S.-flag vessels in U.S. ports and waterways.

DATES: Application forms should reach the Coast Guard on or before October 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: You may request an application form by writing to Commandant (G-MSO-3), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; by calling (202) 267-1217/0081; or by faxing (202) 267-4570. Submit application forms to the same address. This notice and the application form are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>. The application form is also available at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/advisory/ctac/ctac.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Commander James M. Michalowski, Executive Director of CTAC, or Ms. Sara S. Ju, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone (202) 267-1217/0081, fax (202) 267-4570.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) is a Federal advisory committee constituted under 5 U.S.C. App. 2. It provides advice and makes recommendations to the Commandant through the Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection on matters relating to the safe transportation and handling of hazardous materials in bulk on U.S.-flag vessels in U.S. ports and waterways. The advice and recommendations of CTAC also assist the U.S. Coast Guard in formulating the position of the United States on hazardous material transportation issues prior to meetings of the International Maritime Organization.

CTAC meets at least once a year at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC. It may meet more often than once a year as necessary. CTAC's subcommittees and working groups may meet to perform specific assignments as required.

The Coast Guard will consider applications for eight positions that expire in December 2002. To be eligible, applicants should have experience in chemical manufacturing, vessel design and construction, marine transportation of chemicals, occupational safety and health, or marine environmental

protection issues associated with chemical transportation. Each member serves for a term of 3 years. Some members may serve consecutive terms. All members serve at their own expense, and receive no salary, reimbursement of travel expenses, or other compensation from the Federal Government.

In support of the policy of the Department of Transportation on gender and ethnic diversity, the Coast Guard encourages applications from qualified women and members of minority groups.

Dated: June 3, 2002.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Arenac and Iosco Counties, MI

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to withdraw Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public of its intent to withdraw a proposed US-23 freeway project in Arenac and Iosco Counties, Michigan, from further environmental studies and select a NO BUILD alternative.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Kirschensteiner, Assistant Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 315 West Allegan Street, Room 207, Lansing, Michigan 48933, Telephone 517-702-1835.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement on September 14, 1995, for the proposed construction of a new US-23 freeway from the vicinity of Standish, Michigan, northerly to the vicinity of Tawas, Michigan. A public hearing was conducted on October 25 and 26, 1995, to solicit public comments on the proposed freeway. Comments were also solicited from environmental resource agencies, permitting agencies, and others interested in the proposed freeway. Based on comments received from this process coupled with limited funding for a proposed new freeway, the Michigan Department of Transportation and FHWA have decided to select the NO BUILD alternative at this time. Limited traffic improvements along

existing roadways will be pursued in lieu of a freeway or new alignment.

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James J. Steele,

Division Administrator, Lansing, Michigan.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Hernando and Citrus County, FL

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 (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Hernando and Citrus Counties, Florida, concerning the Suncoast Parkway.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Marvin L. Williams, District Transportation Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 227 N. Bronough Street, Room 2015, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-2015, Telephone: (850) 942-9650 extension 3029 or Ms. Catherine J. Bradley, Project Development Engineer, Florida's Turnpike, P.O. Box 613069, Ocoee, Florida 34761.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Florida Department of Transportation, will prepare an EIS for a proposal to extend the Suncoast Parkway (SR 589) into Citrus County, Florida. The proposed project would involve the extension of the Suncoast Parkway from its present terminus at U.S. 98 in Hernando County to U.S. 19, south of the Citrus-Levy County line, a distance of approximately 30 miles. The project is considered a vital link in the Florida intrastate Highway System (FIHS).

Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action; and (2) the construction of a four-lane divided limited access highway on new alignment.

Coordination with appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and private organizations and citizens who have expressed interest in this proposal has been undertaken and will continue. Representative private organizations and citizen groups are being included in the Suncoast Parkway Advisory Group, which will meet periodically throughout the study. A series of public meetings will be held in Citrus County, Florida beginning in late 2002. In