

thereunder, including the removal, modification, continuance, or imposition of any rate of duty or other import restriction.

In paragraph (3) of Proclamation 6763 of December 23, 1994, the President delegated his authority under section 404(d)(3) of the URAA to the United States Trade Representative (USTR). In paragraph (2) of Proclamation 6914 of August 26, 1996, the President determined that it is appropriate to authorize the USTR to exercise his authority under section 604 of the Trade Act to embody in the HTS the substance of any action taken by USTR under section 404(d)(3) of the URAA.

### Modification of the HTS

Effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after September 1, 2013:

1. Additional U.S. note 2 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”. Inserting into the list of countries in such note the terms “Bulgaria,” and “Romania,” such that the entire list is maintained in alphabetical order.

2. Additional U.S. note 16 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”. Deleting the sentence immediately following the list in said note and inserting the following sentence in lieu thereof: “Of the quantitative limitations provided for in this note for the EU 27, Portugal shall have access to a quantity of not less than 353,000 kilograms.”

3. Additional U.S. note 17 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

4. Additional U.S. note 18 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

5. Additional U.S. note 19 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

6. Additional U.S. note 20 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

7. Additional U.S. note 21 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

8. Additional U.S. note 22 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

9. Additional U.S. note 23 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

10. Additional U.S. note 25 to chapter 4 is modified by: Deleting from the list in such note the expression “EC 25” and inserting in lieu thereof the expression “EU 27”.

**Michael B.G. Froman,**

*United States Trade Representative.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Industry Forums on the Next ITS Strategic Plan; Notice of Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** ITS Joint Program Office, Research and Innovative Technology Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Intelligent Transportation System Joint Program Office (ITS JPO) will participate in four industry forums by facilitating workshops to generate feedback for the next ITS Strategic Plan (2015–2019). The workshops are designed to generate ideas and collect viewpoints on multiple areas of interest including multi-modal operations, planning, pricing, standards and architecture, education and training, and connected vehicles. The ITS JPO will lead participants in a fast paced, interactive discussion that will involve hands-on application of critical thinking tools designed to draw out information to identify and validate focus areas for the next ITS Strategic Plan. The ITS JPO also offers an opportunity for the public to share ideas and inputs through an online tool, IdeaScale at <http://itsstrategicplan.ideascale.com>.

• The first facilitated session will take place August 5, 2013 at the Annual Meeting of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) in the Hynes Convention Center in Boston, MA. Persons planning to attend this ITS JPO workshop should register online no later than July 26, 2013 at <http://www.itsa.org/strategicplanwebinar>.

• The second facilitated session will take place August 27, 2013 at the 2013

National Rural ITS Conference (NRITS) in the Rivers Edge Convention Center in St. Cloud, MN. Persons planning to attend this ITS JPO workshop should register online no later than August 13, 2013 at <http://www.itsa.org/strategicplanwebinar>.

• The third facilitated session will take place September 2, 2013 at the IEEE Vehicle Technology Conference at the Wynn Hotel (Encore) in Las Vegas, NV. Persons planning to attend this ITS JPO workshop should register online no later than August 19, 2013 at <http://www.itsa.org/strategicplanwebinar>.

• The last facilitated session will take place September 24–26, 2013 at the Connected Vehicle Public Meeting at the Holiday Inn in Arlington, VA. Persons planning to attend this ITS JPO workshop should register online no later than September 13, 2013 at <http://www.itsa.org/strategicplanwebinar>.

Issued in Washington, DC, on the 23rd day of July 2013.

**John Augustine,**

*Managing Director, ITS Joint Program Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Surplus Property Release at Huntsville International Airport, Huntsville, AL

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to rule on land release request.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of Title 49, U.S.C. 47153(c), notice is being given that the FAA is considering a request from the Huntsville-Madison County Airport Authority to waive the requirement that a 4.58-acre parcel of surplus property, located at the Huntsville International Airport, be used for aeronautical purposes.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before August 28, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on this notice may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Luther H. Roberts, Jr., Deputy Director at the following address: Huntsville-Madison County Airport Authority, 1000 Glenn Hearn Boulevard, Huntsville, AL 35824

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Roderick T. Nicholson, Program Manager, Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307, (601)664-9884. The land release request may be reviewed in person at this same location.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA is reviewing a request by the Huntsville-Madison County Airport Authority to release 4.58 acres of surplus property at the Huntsville International Airport. The property will be purchased by the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT), which is a state transportation organization. The property released will be used for the interchange project off Interstate Route 565. The net proceeds from the sale of this property will be used for FAA approved airport purposes.

Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the request, notice and other documents germane to the request in person at the office of the Huntsville-Madison County Airport Authority.

Issued in Jackson, Mississippi on July 19, 2013.

**Rans D. Black,**

Manager, Jackson Airports District Office, Southern Region.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Highway Administration**

[Docket No. FHWA-2013-0040]

**Proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Assigning Environmental Responsibilities to the State of Texas for Categorical Exclusions**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed MOU and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that the FHWA and the Texas Department of Transportation (State) have developed a proposed MOU, pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 326, under which the FHWA would assign to the State the FHWA's responsibility for determining whether a project is categorically excluded from preparation of an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement under the National

Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq. (NEPA), and for carrying out certain other responsibilities for conducting environmental reviews, consultations, and related activities for Federal-aid highway projects. The public is invited to comment on any aspect of the proposed MOU, including the proposed designations of categorical exclusions and scope of environmental review, consultation and other activities to be assigned.

**DATES:** Please submit comments by August 28, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by DOT Document Management System (DMS) Docket Number FHWA-2013-0040, by any of the methods described below. Electronic or facsimile comments are preferred because Federal offices experience intermittent mail delays from security screening.

1. *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.

2. *Facsimile (Fax):* 1-202-493-2251.

3. *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590.

4. *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For access to the docket to view a complete copy of the proposed MOU, or to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, except for Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael T. Leary, Director of Planning and Program Development, Federal Highway Administration Texas Division, 300 E. 8 St., Room 826, Austin, TX 78701, 7:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. (CST), (512) 536-5940, [michael.leary@dot.gov](mailto:michael.leary@dot.gov).

Carlos H. Swonke, P.G., Director Environmental Affairs Division, Texas Department of Transportation, 125 E. 11th St., Austin, TX 78701, 8:00 a.m.—5: p.m. (CST), (512) 416-2734, [carlos.swonke@txdot.gov](mailto:carlos.swonke@txdot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Electronic Access**

An electronic copy of this notice may be downloaded using a computer, modem and suitable communications software from the Government Printing

Office's Electronic Bulletin Board Service at (202) 512-1661. Internet users may reach the Office of the Federal Register's home page at <http://www.archives.gov> and the Government Printing Office's Web site at <http://www.access.gpo.gov>. An electronic version of the proposed MOU may be downloaded by accessing the DOT DMS docket, as described above, at <http://www.regulations.gov/>.

**Background**

Section 326 of title 23, United States Code (23 U.S.C. 326), allows the Secretary of the DOT (Secretary), to assign, and a State to assume, responsibility for determining whether certain designated activities are included within classes of action that are categorically excluded from requirements for environmental assessments or environmental impact statements pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality under part 1500 of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) (as in effect on October 1, 2003). The FHWA is authorized to act on behalf of the Secretary with respect to these matters.

Under the proposed MOU, the FHWA would assign to the State the responsibility for making decisions on the following types of categorical exclusions:

1. Activities listed in 23 CFR 771.117(c);
2. Activities listed in 23 CFR 771.117(d).

The assignment also would give the State the responsibility to conduct the following environmental review, consultation, and other related activities:

1. *Air Quality*

- Clean Air Act (CAA), 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q. *Any determinations that do not involve conformity.*

2. *Noise*

- Compliance with the noise regulations in 23 CFR 772.

3. *Wildlife*

- Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, 16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, and Section 1536
- Marine Mammal Protection Act, 16 U.S.C. 1361
- Anadromous Fish Conservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 757a-757g
- Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, 16 U.S.C. 661-667d
- Migratory Bird Treaty Act, 16 U.S.C. 703-712
- Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act of