

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA has forwarded the information collection request described in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to renew an information collection. We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on November 21st, 2005. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by March 29, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer. You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. All comments should include the Docket number FHWA-2005-22844.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Rozycki, (202) 366-5059, Highway Systems Performance (HPPI-20), Office of Highway Policy Information, Office of Policy & Governmental Affairs, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS).

OMB Control Number: 2125-0028 (Expiration Date: April 30, 2006).

Background: The HPMS data that is collected is used for management decisions that affect transportation, including estimates of the Nation's future highway needs and assessments of highway system performance. The information is used by the FHWA to develop and implement legislation and by State and Federal transportation officials to adequately plan, design, and administer effective, safe, and efficient transportation systems. This data is essential to the FHWA and Congress in evaluating the effectiveness of the

Federal-aid highway program. The HPMS also provides miles, lane-miles and travel components of the Federal-Aid Highway Fund apportionment formulae. The data that is required by the HPMS is continually reassessed and streamlined by the FHWA.

Respondents: State and local governments of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Estimated Average Burden Per Response: The estimated average reporting burden per response for the annual collection of the data is 1,440 hours for the States, District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The estimated total annual burden for all Respondents is 74,880 hours.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that burdens could be minimized, including use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Electronic Access: Internet users may access all comments received by the U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, by using the universal resource locator (URL): <http://dms.dot.gov>. It is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Please follow the instructions online for more information and help. Internet users may reach the **Federal Register's** home page at <http://www.nara.gov/fedreg> and the Government Printing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2005-22844]

Notice of Request for Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection: A Guide To Reporting Highway Statistics

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas W. Howard, Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Office of Policy, Office of Highway Policy Information, Highway Funding and Motor Fuels (HPPI-10), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics.

OMB Control Number: 2125-0032 (Expiration Date: March 31, 2006).

Background: A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics provides for the collection of information by describing policies and procedures for assembling

statistical data from the existing files of State agencies. The data includes motor-vehicle registration and fees, motor-fuel use and taxation, driver licensing, and highway taxation and finance. Federal, State, and local governments use the data for transportation policy discussions and decisions. Motor-fuel data are used in attributing receipts to the Highway Trust Fund and subsequently in the apportionment formulas that are used to distribute Federal-Aid Highway Funds. The data are published annually in the FHWA's Highway Statistics and Our Nation's Highways. Information from Highway Statistics is used in the joint FHWA and Federal Transit Administration required biennial report to Congress, The Status of the Nation's Highways, Bridges, and Transit: Conditions and Performance Report to Congress, which contrasts present status to future investment needs.

Respondents: State and local governments of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the four territories (American Samoa, Guam, Northern Marianas, and Virgin Islands).

Estimated Average Burden Per Response: The estimated average reporting burden per response for the annual collection of the data is 825.6 hours for the States and the District of Columbia; and 20 hours for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and each of the four territories.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The estimated total annual burden for all respondents is 42,206 hours.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this Information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that burdens could be minimized, including use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

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Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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James R. Kabel,

Chief, Management Programs and Analysis, Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice To Rescind Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement: Benton County, MO

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Rescind Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that we are rescinding the Notice Of Intent (NOI) to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for a proposed project in central Missouri. The NOI was published in the **Federal Register** on April 20, 1994. This rescission is based on a reduction in scope from the 1994 proposal to build a 17.5-mile, four-lane relocation of U.S. Route 65 in Benton County.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peggy J. Casey, Environmental Projects Engineer, FHWA Division Office, 3220 West Edgewood, Suite H, Jefferson City, MO 65109; Telephone: (573) 638-2620 or Mr. Kevin Keith, Chief Engineer, Missouri Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102, Telephone: (573) 751-2803.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This project as now proposed involves widening approximately 15 miles of U.S. Route 65 in Benton County, Missouri, from two lanes to four lanes with consideration of relocation in the vicinity of Lincoln. We will also consider a two plus one improvement, which calls for two lanes with the addition of a passing lane, where needed. The proposed project begins south of the Missouri Route 52 South Junction and proceeds southward to the Missouri Route 7 North Junction at Warsaw.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on

Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Issued on: February 14, 2006.

Peggy J. Casey,

Environmental Projects Engineer, Jefferson City.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Boone County and the City of Columbia, MO

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 proposed improvements between the I-70 and State Route Z interchange and the U.S. Route 63 and State Route AC interchange in Boone County and the City of Columbia, Missouri.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Peggy J. Casey, Environmental Projects Engineer, FHWA Division Office, 3220 West Wedgewood, Suite H, Jefferson City, MO 65109, Telephone: (573) 638-2620 or Mr. Dave Nichols, Director of Project Development, Missouri Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102, Telephone: (573) 751-4586.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), will prepare an EIS for a proposal for improvements between the I-70 and State Route Z interchange and the U.S. 63 and State Route AC interchange in Boone County and the City of Columbia, Missouri. A location study will run concurrently with the preparation of the EIS and will provide definitive reasonable alternatives for evaluation in the EIS. The proposed action will accomplish several goals: (1) Improve safety, (2) decrease congestion, and (3) support community regional development.

The proposed project will include improvements to be located within a study area defined by U.S. Route 63 on the west, State Route PP (Clark Lane) on the north, State Route AC on the south, and State Route Z on the east. The study area is approximately 5 miles in length and 4 miles in width. Known potential impacts include residential and/or commercial relocations and access changes. A Department of Army Section