

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), will prepare an EIS for a proposal to build improvements on Interstate 10 from Buckeye Road to Baseline Road in Maricopa County, Arizona. The proposed project will involve construction of facilities to provide safety, capacity, and operational improvements in the I-10 corridor within the study limits. The evaluation of alternatives will consider the social, economic, and environmental impacts to residential and commercial development, including Sky Harbor International Airport, cultural resources, historic roads and canals, Endangered Species, jurisdictional waters of the U.S., air and noise quality, and hazardous waste. Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to provide for the existing and projected traffic demand. A full range of reasonable alternatives will be considered including (1) no action; (2) alternative travel modes; (3) transportation system management improvements; (4) Collector-Distributor Road System and (5) mainline freeway improvements.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies including the Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Federal Aviation Agency, Arizona State Land Department, Arizona Game & Fish Department, City of Phoenix, City of Tempe, Maricopa County and Maricopa Association of Governments. Letters will also be sent to interested parties including, the South Mountain Village Planning Committee, Central City Village Planning Committee and appropriate Tempe neighborhood associations.

A series of public meetings will be held in the communities within the proposed study area. In addition, a public hearing will be held. Prior to the meetings and hearing, public notice will be provided advising of the time and place. A formal agency scoping meeting is planned between Federal, State, City, and County stakeholders.

To insure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions

are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Morrison County, Minnesota

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Revised notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this revised notice to advise the public that the southern terminus for the environmental impact statement (EIS) being prepared for the proposed reconstruction of Trunk Highway (TH) 371 in Morrison County, Minnesota, has been revised.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As indicated in the Notice of Intent published in the **Federal Register** on September 22, 1999, the FHWA, in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), is preparing an EIS on a proposal to reconstruct and expand TH 371 from a two-lane roadway to a four-lane facility. The notice identified the southerly terminus of the project as County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 46 north of Little Falls. The correct southerly terminus is TH 10, approximately 3.2 kilometers (2.0 miles) south of CSAH 46. Therefore, the EIS will consider alternatives to improve TH 371 from TH 10 to 0.8 kilometer (0.5 mile) north of CSAH 48 in Morrison County, Minnesota,

approximately 12.9 kilometers (8.0 miles).

Coordination has been initiated and will continue with appropriate Federal, State and local agencies, and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in the proposed action. Public meetings have been held in the past and will continue to be held, with public notice given for the time and place of the meetings.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance from certain requirements of its safety regulations. The individual petition is described below including, the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

Norfolk Southern Corporation

[Docket Number FRA-2001-10515]

The Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) seeks a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the *Railroad Operating Practices* regulations, 49 CFR part 218, regarding blue signal protection of workers. Specifically, NS requests that FRA waive the provisions of §§ 218.22(c)(5), 218.22(h), and 221.16 that address inspection, placement and removal of rear end markers and/or end of train devices.

Section 218.22(c) states in part: