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By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Kulunie L. Cannon,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement: Wayne and Oakland Counties, MI

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), U.S. DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability (NOA) of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Detroit Intermodal Freight Terminal (DIFT) and Section 4(f) Evaluation.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and Section 4(f) Evaluation for the DIFT. This action is pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, as amended and the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508). The FEIS identifies the Preferred Alternative to enhance the intermodal freight terminal at the Livernois-Junction Yard in Detroit, Michigan; describes the environmental impacts of the proposed project and proposed mitigation; and addresses comments received on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Section 4(f) Evaluation issued in April 15, 2005.

**DATES:** Any comments must be received on or before January 29, 2010. The FEIS waiting period ends 49 days after the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency publishes the DIFT's NOA in the **Federal Register** (currently scheduled to be published on December 11th).

#### ADDRESSES:

1. *Document Availability:* Copies of the FEIS are available for public inspection and review at the following locations:

- Ferndale Public Library, 222 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale, MI.
- Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI.
- Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI.
- Bowen Branch of the Detroit Public Library, 3648 W. Vernor, Detroit, MI.

- MDOT Detroit Transportation Service Center, 1400 Howard St., Detroit, MI.
- MDOT Oakland Transportation Service Center, 2300 Dixie Hwy., Waterford, MI.
- MDOT Region Office, 18101 W. Nine Mile Rd., Southfield, MI.
- MDOT Bureau of Transportation Planning, 425 Ottawa St., Lansing, MI.

The document also may be viewed and commented on at [http://www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,1607,7-151-9621\\_11058\\_26215--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,1607,7-151-9621_11058_26215--,00.html).

Copies of the FEIS may be requested from Bob Parsons (Public Involvement and Hearings Officer) at the Michigan Department of Transportation, 425 W. Ottawa Street, P.O. Box 30050, Lansing, MI 48909 or by calling (517) 373-9534.

2. *Comments:* Send any comments on the FEIS to the Michigan Department of Transportation, c/o Bob Parsons (Public Involvement and Hearings Officer), 425 W. Ottawa Street, P.O. Box 30050, Lansing, MI 48909; *Fax:* (517) 373-9255; or *e-mail:* [parsonsb@michigan.gov](mailto:parsonsb@michigan.gov). Information regarding this proposed action is available in alternative formats upon request.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The DEIS for the DIFT was approved in April 2005. Since more than three years has passed since the signing of the DEIS, a re-evaluation of the DEIS was done in accordance with 23 CFR 771.129. This FEIS reflect the comments received during the public hearing process and updated data in all critical areas.

The goal of the project is to provide and/or improve regional intermodal facilities, owned and/or operated by the one or more of the DIFT Rail Related participants—Grand Trunk Western Railroad, Inc. (CN); Canadian Pacific Railway Company (CP); CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX); Norfolk Southern Railway company (NS); and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)—with sufficient capacity and interconnectivity to provide for existing and future intermodal demand and to reduce time, monetary costs, and congestion to the support the economic competitiveness of Southeastern Michigan. This will be done by providing necessary intermodal

terminal capacity and improving the related rail and highway infrastructure within Wayne and Oakland counties.

The Detroit Intermodal Freight terminal Project Pre-Development Plan Agreement was established to further refine the understandings and intentions of the DIFT Rail Related Participants.

**Purpose and Need for the Project:** The purpose of the DIFT is to enhance intermodal operations and economic competitiveness of Southeast Michigan by improving freight transportation opportunities and efficiencies for business, industry, and the military. The need to enhance intermodal operations results from Detroit's need for greater intermodal capacity and improved connectivity.

**Preferred Alternative:** The Preferred Alternative involves consolidating intermodal operations of the CSX, NS, and CP railroads at the Livernois-Junction Yard in Southwest Detroit and improving external connectors to benefit all Class I railroads, including CN.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, as amended and the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508) 23 CFR 771.117; and 23 U.S.C. 139(1)(1).

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**James J. Steele,**

*Division Administrator, Lansing, Michigan.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Tier 1 Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Placer Parkway Corridor Preservation Project

December 2009.

**AGENCY:** United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Tier 1 Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Placer Parkway Corridor Preservation Project and a Section 4(f) Evaluation.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is issuing this notice to advise the public of the availability of a Tier 1 FEIS and Section 4(f) Evaluation for the Placer Parkway Corridor Preservation Project, a proposed transportation corridor in western Placer and eastern Sutter Counties, California. This action is pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, as amended and the