

attention focused on key issues. The resource areas considered included compatible land use; Section 4(f) lands and farmlands; noise; visual resources and light emissions; historical, architectural, archaeological, and cultural resources; air quality; water quality, wetlands, wild and scenic rivers, coastal resources, and floodplains; fish, wildlife, and plants; hazardous materials, pollution prevention, and solid waste; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and children's environmental health and safety risks; and energy supply and natural resources. Construction impacts and secondary (induced) impacts are also considered. Additional analyses considered in the appendices include geology and soils; mineral resources; air space; health and safety; and transportation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stacey M. Zee (AST-100), Office of Commercial Space Transportation, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 331, Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-9305; e-mail stacey.zee@faa.gov.

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Michael McElligott,

Manager, Space Systems Development Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

1st Meeting—Special Committee 221—Aircraft Secondary Barriers

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA special committee 221 meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 221: Aircraft Secondary Barriers.

DATES: The meeting will be held December 3–4, 2008 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., MacIntosh-NBAA and Hilton-ATA Rooms, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 833-9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site <http://www.rtca.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–

463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 221, Aircraft Secondary Barriers. The agenda will include:

- Opening Plenary (Welcome/ Introductions/Administrative Remarks, Agenda Overview, RTCA Overview).
- Secondary Barrier—Background/ History.
- Current Committee Scope, Terms of Reference Overview.
- Presentation, Discussion, Recommendations.
- Organization of Work, Assign Tasks and Workgroups.
- Presentation, Discussion, Recommendations.
- Assignment of Responsibilities.
- Closing Plenary (Other Business, Establish Agenda for Next Meeting, Date and Place of Next Meeting, Adjourn).

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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Francisco Estrada C.,
RTCA Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Buy America Waiver Notification

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information regarding the FHWA's finding that a Buy America waiver is appropriate for certain steel products used in Federal-aid construction projects in Oregon and the City of San Diego, CA.

DATES: The effective date of the waiver is November 19, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about this notice, please contact Mr. Gerald Yakowenko, FHWA Office of Program Administration, (202) 366-1562, gerald.yakowenko@dot.gov. For legal questions, please contact Mr. Michael Harkins, FHWA Office of the Chief Counsel, (202) 366-4928, michael.harkins@dot.gov. Office hours for the FHWA are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15

p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the **Federal Register's** home page at: <http://www.archives.gov> and the Government Printing Office's database at: <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

Background

The FHWA's Buy America policy in 23 CFR 635.410 requires a domestic manufacturing process for any steel or iron products (including protective coatings) that are permanently incorporated in a Federal-aid construction project. The regulation also provides for a waiver of the Buy America requirements when the application would be inconsistent with the public interest or when satisfactory quality domestic steel and iron products are not sufficiently available. This notice provides information regarding the FHWA's finding that a Buy America waiver is appropriate for two specific cases.

In accordance with section 130 of Division K of the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008" (Pub. L. 110-161), the FHWA published on its Web site two notices of intent to issue Buy America waivers: (1) A waiver for two custom built motor control centers and stainless steel products for the Siuslaw River moveable bridge project in Oregon <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/waivers.cfm?id=21> on September 23rd; and (2) a waiver for bridge suspender cable, spider fittings, wire mesh, and grade 2205 plate (for experimental research) in the City of San Diego, CA, <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/waivers.cfm?id=20> on September 30th. The FHWA received no comments in response to the two custom built motor control centers in Oregon which suggested that the custom built motor control centers may not be available domestically. Further investigation and inquiry revealed that the product is not available domestically. The FHWA received two comments in response to experimental use of stainless steel products for pedestrian bridges in the City of San Diego, CA. The comments suggested that there are companies capable of manufacturing the products domestically. The City of San Diego contacted the companies and verified that Insteel Industries, Inc., does not manufacture stainless steel suspenders. The spider fittings are available domestically, but the companies do not

produce compatible glassware, making it impossible to secure the required 10-year performance warranty for the spider fitting/glassware system. Salit Specialty Rebar does not produce the stainless steel wire mesh for the decorative railings, and the Talley Metals Company does not produce the grade 2205 stainless steel plate. During the 15-day comment period, the FHWA conducted additional nationwide review to locate potential domestic manufacturers for the products. Based on all the information available to the agency, including the responses received to the notices as well as the agency's nationwide review, the FHWA concludes that there are no domestic manufacturers for the two custom built motor control centers and stainless steel products or the bridge suspender cable, spider fittings, wire mesh and grade 2205 plate.

In accordance with the provisions of section 117 of the "SAFETEA-LU Technical Corrections Act of 2008" (Pub. L. 110-244, 122 Stat. 1572), the FHWA is providing this notice as its finding that a waiver of Buy America requirements is appropriate pursuant to 23 CFR 635.410(c)(1). The FHWA invites public comment on this finding for an additional 15 days following the effective date of the finding. Comments may be submitted to the FHWA's Web site via the links above to the Oregon and the City of San Diego waiver pages noted above.

(Authority: 23 U.S.C. 313; Pub. L. 110-161, 23 CFR 635.410.)

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Thomas J. Madison, Jr.,

Federal Highway Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Notice of Limitation on Claims Against Proposed Public Transportation Projects

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of limitation on claims.

SUMMARY: This notice announces final environmental actions taken by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for public transportation projects in the following areas: Denver, Colorado, and Jacksonville, Florida. The purpose of this notice is to announce publicly the environmental decisions by FTA on the subject projects and to activate the limitation on any claims that may

challenge these final environmental actions.

DATES: By this notice, FTA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to Title 23, United States Code (U.S.C.), section 139(l). A claim seeking judicial review of the FTA actions announced herein for the listed public transportation projects will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before May 18, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Zelasko, Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Planning and Environment, 202-366-0244, or Christopher Van Wyk, Attorney-Advisor, Office of Chief Counsel, 202-366-1733. FTA is located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that FTA has taken final agency actions by issuing certain approvals for the public transportation projects listed below. The actions on these projects, as well as the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the documentation issued in connection with the project to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and in other documents in the FTA administrative record for the project. The final agency environmental decision documents—Records of Decision (ROD) or Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI)—for the listed projects are available online at http://www.fta.dot.gov/planning/environment/planning_environment_documents.html or may be obtained by contacting the FTA Regional Office for the metropolitan area where the project is located. Contact information for the FTA Regional Offices may be found at <http://www.fta.dot.gov>.

This notice applies to all FTA decisions on the listed projects as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including, but not limited to, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321-4375], Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303], Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 470f], and the Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q].

The projects and actions that are the subject of this notice are:

1. *Project name and location:* Denver Union Station, Denver, Colorado. *Project sponsor:* Regional Transportation District (RTD). *Project description:* The FTA and RTD have

completed a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for modifications to turn the historic Denver Union Station into a multimodal transportation center for the Metro Denver Region. Modifications to Denver Union Station include construction of two light rail transit tracks near the consolidated mainline track; construction of eight at-grade passenger tracks from Amtrak, Ski Train, and RTD's East, North Metro, Northwest, and Gold Line corridors; construction of a regional and commercial bus facility; and improved pedestrian and bicycle access. RTD also plans to reconstruct street infrastructure around the station to improve traffic flow and build a 150 parking space structure over the passenger rail station. *Final Agency Actions:* ROD signed on October 17, 2008; Section 106 Memorandum of Agreement signed on September 3, 2008; Project-level Air Conformity determination; and Section 4(f) finding. *Supporting documentation:* Denver Union Station Final EIS signed on July 24, 2008.

2. *Project name and location:* Phase One Downtown Environmental Assessment. *Project sponsor:* Jacksonville Transportation Authority, Jacksonville, Florida. *Project description:* Jacksonville Transportation Authority will implement a bus rapid transit project to service downtown Jacksonville. Project elements include reconstructed bus routes, dedicated bus lanes during peak hours of operation, purchase of new low floor vehicles, traffic signal priority, and real-time traveler information. The Phase One project also includes new bus super stops that will include a boarding area between 60 and 120 feet long, will be located every quarter of a mile, and will have shelters with route and schedule information. *Final agency actions:* FONSI signed on October 8, 2008; Section 106 Finding of No Historic Properties Affected. *Supporting documentation:* Jacksonville Rapid Transit System Phase One Environmental Assessment signed on June 9, 2008.

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Susan Borinsky,

Associate Administrator for Planning and Environment, Washington, DC.

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