

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement:
Stark, Columbiana, and Carroll
Counties, OH**

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Project Being Placed on Hold.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that the preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed transportation project in Stark, Columbiana, and Carroll Counties, Ohio is being placed on hold.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dennis A. Decker, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 200 North High Street, Suite 328, Columbus, Ohio 43215, Telephone (614) 280-6896.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA is placing on hold the preparation of an EIS for a proposal to construct a highway improvement in Stark, Columbiana, and Carroll Counties, Ohio. The original notice of intent was issued on March 24, 1999. The project proposed transportation improvements to the U.S. 30 corridor from Trump Road in Stark County to State Route 11 in Columbiana County, Ohio. The project is being placed on hold because the Ohio Department of Transportation has decided not to pursue this project at this time. The project is expected to resume in the future, at which time FHWA will issue a notice alerting the public that the environmental process has resumed.

(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.)

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Dennis A. Decker,

Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Columbus, Ohio.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement:
Butler County, OH**

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Rescind Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that the Notice of Intent published on October 6, 2000 to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed transportation project in Butler County, Ohio is being rescinded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dennis A. Decker, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 200 North High Street, Suite 328, Columbus, Ohio 43215, Telephone (614) 280-6896.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA is rescinding the notice of intent to prepare an EIS on a proposal to construct a highway improvement in the vicinity of Trenton, Ohio. The project termini are approximately US-127, north of the Village of Seven Mile, and the SR-63/SR-4 interchange. The project is being rescinded because the Ohio Department of Transportation has decided not to pursue this project at this time.

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Dennis A. Decker,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Motor Carrier Safety
Administration****Request for Applications for the
Federal Motor Carrier Safety
Administration Medical Review Board**

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Request for applications for the Medical Review Board.

SUMMARY: FMCSA solicits applications from interested physicians to serve on the Agency's Medical Review Board (MRB). The MRB, authorized by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), provides scientific advice to the Secretary of Transportation (the Secretary) and the FMCSA Administrator on medical issues relating to the physical qualification standards for commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers. In 2006,

the Secretary appointed five physicians for 2-year terms to serve on the MRB. In 2008, the Secretary reappointed the physicians to the MRB, with the chairperson currently serving a 2-year term, and the other four members serving staggered 1-year terms. In 2009, the Secretary will appoint three new members to a 2-year term, and reappoint one of the current members to a 1-year term to ensure the MRB will operate continuously with five active members. As a result, the chairperson's and one of the members' terms will expire in 2010 and the other three members' terms will expire in 2011.

DATES: Applications must be received by July 30, 2008. FMCSA will periodically call for applications as deemed necessary.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Mary D. Gunnels, Director, Medical Programs, 202-366-4001, FMCSA, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

FMCSA has current statutory authority under 49 U.S.C. 31502 and 31136 to determine the physical qualifications of interstate CMV drivers. The physical qualifications regulations for commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers in interstate commerce are found in 49 CFR 391.41. Section 391.43 contains instructions to medical examiners for performing physical examinations of CMV drivers. FMCSA medical standards and guidelines are critical medical program components in accomplishing FMCSA's mission to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving large trucks and buses.

In 2005, Congress passed the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (Pub. L. 109-59). Section 4116(a) of SAFETEA-LU (codified at 49 U.S.C. 31149) required FMCSA to establish the MRB to provide scientific advice on matters related to CMV driver health and safety. The Charter for the MRB was originally approved and filed with the General Services Administration on September 20, 2005 [FR 70 57642], and renewed on November 2, 2007.

The MRB promotes CMV safety by providing science-based medical expertise on the medical qualification of CMV drivers, reviewing and revising medical standards, and interpreting medical research. These activities address the appropriateness and

viability of the medical standards in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, the framework that relates driver health to safe CMV operation. The MRB assesses and provides recommendations to FMCSA about regulations that may need to be changed or updated. FMCSA's MRB provides information, advice, and recommendations to the Secretary of Transportation and the FMCSA Administrator on the development and implementation of science-based physical qualification standards applicable to interstate CMV drivers, and implementation of a national registry of medical examiners. The MRB does not hold regulatory development responsibilities, manage programs, or make decisions affecting such programs. The MRB provides a forum for the development, consideration, and communication of information from a knowledgeable, scientific perspective. The MRB began operations in February 2006, with formal deliberations beginning in August 2006. The MRB meets quarterly each year and has issued many recommendations on cardiovascular diseases, seizure disorders, musculoskeletal diseases, and other topics pertinent to the certified driver medical examination.

II. Request for Applications

FMCSA seeks physicians from many different medical specialties to develop science-based CMV physical qualification standards, medical advisory criteria and safety policies. As members of the Agency's MRB, physicians will provide expert guidance on medical guidelines and standards. The Agency is committed to appointing physicians with diverse professional backgrounds and taking into account gender, ethnicity, demographic and socioeconomic factors. To be eligible for appointment, physicians must (a) Be a U.S. citizen; (b) not be a Federal government employee; (c) have a U.S. medical license (as a Medical Doctor or Doctor of Osteopathy) and is in good standing with a State medical licensing authority; (d) be able to attend three to four face-to-face meetings a year and three to five 1 hour teleconferences, and spend approximately 5 hours per month providing additional consultation. Interested physicians should have a commitment to transportation safety and health, an understanding of evidence-based medicine and research methods, knowledge of transportation medical issues, history of excellence in original medical research demonstrated through publications in peer-reviewed journals, experience on panels that develop medical standards and a record

of leadership activities in transportation safety and medical professional organizations.

MRB members are special government employees under the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, Public Law 92-463. While attending meetings or conducting business of the Committee, expenses for travel and subsistence or per diem allowances will be paid by FMCSA.

Applications should be submitted online at <http://www.mrb.fmcsa.dot.gov>. For additional information, please contact Jennifer Musick at 703-998-0189, extension 237, or via e-mail at contactmrb@fmcsa.dot.gov. FMCSA will accept applications through July 30, 2008, and will periodically call for applications as the MRB work continues.

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John H. Hill,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

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Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of exemptions; request for comments.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to renew the exemptions from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for 58 individuals. FMCSA has statutory authority to exempt individuals from the vision requirement if the exemptions granted will not compromise safety. The Agency has concluded that granting these exemption renewals will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

DATES: This decision is effective July 20, 2008. Comments must be received on or before July 30, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket ID FMCSA-99-6156, FMCSA-99-6480, FMCSA-00-7006, FMCSA-01-10578, FMCSA-02-11714, FMCSA-02-13411, FMCSA-03-16241, FMCSA-03-16564, FMCSA-04-17195, FMCSA-05-21711, FMCSA-05-22194, FMCSA-05-23099, FMCSA-05-23238, FMCSA-06-23773, FMCSA-06-24015, FMCSA-06-24783, using any of the following methods.

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- **Hand Delivery or Courier:** West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

- **Fax:** 1-202-493-2251.

Each submission must include the Agency name and the docket number for this Notice. Note that DOT posts all comments received without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information included in a comment. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The FDMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year.

If you want acknowledgment that we received your comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard or print the acknowledgement page that appears after submitting comments on-line.

Privacy Act: Anyone may search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or of the person signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review the DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19476). This information is also available at <http://DocketsInfo.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Mary D. Gunnels, Director, Medical Programs, (202)-366-4001,