prosecutes or assists in investigation, prosecution or violation of criminal law or enforces, implements or assists in enforcement or implementation of statute, rule, regulation or order; a Federal, State, local or foreign agency or other public authority or professional organization maintaining civil, criminal, and other relevant enforcement or pertinent records such as current licenses; information may be given to a customer reporting agency: (1) In order to obtain information, relevant enforcement records or other pertinent records such as current licenses or (2) to obtain information relevant to an agency investigation, a decision concerning the hiring or retention of an employee or other personnel action, the issuance of a security clearance or the initiation of administrative, civil, or criminal action; Officials of the Department of other government agencies in the letting of a contract, issuance of a license, grant or other benefit, and the establishment of a claim; any private or public source, witness, or subject from which information is requested in the course of a legitimate agency investigation or other inquiry to the extent necessary to identify an individual; to inform a source, witness or subject of the nature and purpose of the investigation or other inquiry; and to identify the information requested; an attorney or other designated representative of any source, witness or subject described in paragraph (j) of the Privacy Act only to the extent that the information would be provided to that category of individual itself in the course of an investigation or other inquiry; by a Federal agency following a response to its subpoena or to a prosecution request that such record be released for the purpose of its introduction to a grand jury. Relevant information may be disclosed from this system to the news media and general public where there exists a legitimate public interest, e.g., to assist in the location of Federal fugitives, to provide notification of arrests, and where necessary for protection from imminent threat to life or property. Also see "Routine Uses" of Prefatory Statement published in the Federal Register.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Hard copy, microfilm, microfiche, tape recordings, electronic media, and photographs.

RETRIEVABILITY:

The system is accessed by individual name, personal identifier, case number, badge number, and Social Security Account Number (for other than visitors), as well as by each "category of record in the system"; but the files may be grouped for the convenience of the user by type, country code, group name, subject, contract number, weapons serial number, or building pass number.

SAFEGUARDS:

All employees of the Department of State have undergone a thorough personnel security background investigation. Access to the Department of State building and its annexes is controlled by security guards and admission is limited to those individuals possessing a valid identification card or individuals under proper escort. Access to Annex 20 also has security access controls (code entrances) and/or security alarm systems. All records containing personal information are maintained in secured file cabinets or in restricted areas, access to which is limited to authorized personnel. Access to computerized files is password-protected and under the direct supervision of the system manager. The system manager has the capability of printing audit trails of access from the computer media, thereby permitting regular ad hoc monitoring of computer usage.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Retention of those records varies depending upon the specific kind of record involved. The records are retired or destroyed in accordance with published schedules of the Department of State and as approved by the National Archives and Records Administration. More specific information may be obtained by writing to the Director, Office of Information Programs and Services (A/RPS/IPS), SA–2, Department of State, Washington, DC 20522–6001.

SYSTEM MANAGER AND ADDRESS:

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Diplomatic Security and Director for the Diplomatic Security Service; Department of State, SA–20, 23rd Floor, 1801 North Lynn Street, Washington, DC 20522–2008 for the Harry S. Truman Building, domestic annexes, field offices and missions; Security Officers at respective U.S. Embassies, Consulates, and missions overseas.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals who have reason to believe that the Bureau of Diplomatic Security may have security/investigative records pertaining to themselves should write to the Director; Office of Information Programs and Services; A/ RPS/IPS, SA-2, Department of State, Washington, DC 20522–6001. The individual must specify that he/she wishes the Security Records to be checked. At a minimum, the individual must include: Name; date and place of birth; current mailing address and zip code; signature; and a brief description of the circumstances which may have caused the creation of the record.

RECORD ACCESS AND AMENDMENT PROCEDURES:

Individuals who wish to gain access to or amend records pertaining to themselves should write to the Director; Office of Information Programs and Services (address above).

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

These records contain information obtained from the individual; persons having knowledge of the individual; persons having knowledge of incidents or other matters of investigative interest to the Department; other U.S. law enforcement agencies and court systems; pertinent records of other Federal, State, or local agencies or foreign governments; pertinent records of private firms or organizations; the intelligence community; and other public sources. The records also contain information obtained from interviews, review of records, and other authorized investigative techniques.

SYSTEMS EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:

Records originated by another agency when that agency has determined that the record is exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552a(j). Also, records contained within this system of records are exempted from 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3) and (4), (d), (e)(1), (2), (3), and (e)(4)(G), (H), and (I), and (f) to the extent they meet the criteria of section (j)(2) of the Act. See 22 CFR 171.36.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5472]

STATE-68 Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization Records

Summary: Notice is hereby given that the Department of State proposes to create a new system of records, STATE–68, pursuant to the Provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C.(r)), and the Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A–130, Appendix I. The Department's report was filed with the Office of Management and Budget on June 1, 2006.

It is proposed that the new system will be named "Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization Records." This system description is proposed in order to reflect more accurately the Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization's recordkeeping system, activities and operations.

Any persons interested in commenting on this new system of records may do so by submitting comments in writing to Margaret P. Grafeld, Director; Office of Information Programs and Services; A/RPS/IPS; Department of State, SA–2; Washington, DC 20522–6001. This system of records will be effective 40 days from the date of publication, unless we receive comments that will result in a contrary determination.

This new system description, "Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization Records, STATE–68" will read as set forth below.

Dated: May 31, 2006.

Frank Coulter,

Acting Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Administration, Department of State.

STATE-68

SYSTEM NAME:

Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization Records.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Department of State; SA-3; 2121 Virginia Avenue, NW.; Washington, DC 20520.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Individuals who have been involved in reconstruction and stabilization activities as an effort to develop lessons learned from past experience; and, individuals who wish to volunteer for potential future overseas reconstruction and stabilization activities; either in a management function based in Washington, DC or in a foreign deployment providing direct support.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Pub. L. 108–447, Div B, Title IV, § 408, 118 Stat. 2904 (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005).

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

We will be collecting forms from individuals who are have expressed interest in deploying overseas or domestically in support of Reconstruction and Stabilization efforts of the U.S. Government. The individuals could be selected to participate in various response mechanisms that the office is developing, such as the Active Response Corps.

Additional forms will collect information from individuals who have served overseas in support of Reconstruction and Stabilization efforts as part of a lessons learned database. These individuals will not be expressing interest in redeploying but rather in sharing their experiences to assist in the U.S. Government effort to determine what did and did not work in past or current operations.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

The information in this system will be used to help the office carry out its mandate to lead coordinate and institutionalize stabilization and reconstruction activities of the United States Government.

The records shall be compiled and used to develop lessons learned from experiences of individuals in reconstruction and stabilization activities, these individuals will not be expressing interest in redeploying but rather in sharing their experiences to assist in the U.S. Government effort to determine what did and did not work in past or current operations.

Additional uses will be to select individuals who have expressed an interest in deploying overseas or domestically in support of Reconstruction and Stabilization efforts of the U.S. Government. The individuals could be selected to participate in various response mechanisms that the office is developing, such as the Active Response Corps.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Electronic media; hard copy.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Individual name, designated specialty in reconstruction and stabilization operations.

SAFEGUARDS:

All employees of the Department of State have undergone a thorough personnel security background investigation. Access to the Department of State building and the annexes is controlled by security guards, and admission is limited to those individuals possessing a valid identification card or individuals under proper escort. All records containing personal information are maintained in

secured filing cabinets or in restricted areas, access to which is limited to authorized personnel. Access to electronic files is password-protected and under the direct supervision of the system manager. The system manager has the capability of printing audit trails of access from the computer media, thereby permitting regular and ad hoc monitoring of computer usage.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

These records will be maintained with published record disposition schedules of the Department of State as approved by the National Archives and Records Administration. More specific information may be obtained by writing to the Director, Office of Information Programs and Services, A/RPS/IPS, SA-2, Department of State, Washington, DC 20522–8100.

SYSTEM MANAGER AND ADDRESS:

Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization; Department of State; SA–3; 2121 Virginia Avenue, NW.; Washington, DC 20520.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals who have reason to believe that the Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization might have records pertaining to them should write to the Director, Office of Information Programs and Services, A/RPS/IPS, SA-2, Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-8100. The individual must specify that he or she wishes the records of the Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization to be checked. At a minimum, the individual should include: Name; date and place of birth; preferably his/her Social Security Number; current mailing address and zip code; signature; a brief description of the circumstances that caused the creation of the record (including the city and/or country and the approximate dates) which gives the individual cause to believe that the Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization has records pertaining to him or her.

RECORD ACCESS AND AMENDMENT PROCEDURES:

Individuals who wish to gain access to or to amend records pertaining to them should write to the Director, Office of Information Programs and Services (address above).

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

These records contain information that is obtained from the individual who is the subject of the records.

SYSTEMS EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(6) records in this system of records may be exempted from 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3).(d).(e)(l).(e)(4)(G). (H). and (I) and (f). L/LM will review at clearance per Brian Egan.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement on Transit Improvements for the Gold Line Corridor

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), U.S. Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Denver Regional Transportation District (RTD), in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate the impacts of rail transit improvements for the Gold Line Corridor which extends from downtown Denver, Colorado west to Ward Road in Wheat Ridge, Colorado. The EIS will be prepared in accordance with regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as well as provisions of the recently enacted Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy of Users. The purpose of this Notice of Intent is to alert interested parties regarding the plan to prepare the EIS, to provide information on the nature of the proposed transit project, to invite participation in the EIS process, including comments on the scope of the EIS proposed in this notice, and to announce that public scoping meetings will be conducted.

DATES: Written comments on the scope of the EIS should be sent to Dave Hollis, RTD Project Manager, by September 25, 2006. Public scoping meetings will be held on August 22nd and 23rd from 5:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. at the locations indicated below.

An interagency scoping meeting will be scheduled after agencies with an interest in the proposed project have been identified.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the scope of the EIS should be sent to Dave

Hollis, Gold Line Corridor Project Manager, Denver Regional Transportation District (RTD), 1560 Broadway, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80202. Comments may also be offered at the public scoping meetings. The addresses for the public scoping meetings are as follows:

Tuesday, August 22, Arvada Center, 6901 Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada, CO 80003.

Wednesday, August 23, Highlands Masonic Center, 3550 Federal Blvd., Denver, CO 80211.

For more information for special assistance needs for the scoping meetings, please contact Dave Hollis at (303) 299–2404 at least 48 hours before the meeting. All meetings will be conducted in wheelchair accessible

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Beckhouse, Community Planner, Federal Transit Administration, Region VIII, 12300 West Dakota Ave., Suite 310, Lakewood, CO 80228–2583, (720) 963–3306.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Proposed Project: The project extends 11 miles from Denver Union Station (DUS) in downtown Denver to Wheat Ridge. The project proposes stations at W. 38th Avenue, Pecos Street, Federal Boulevard, Sheridan Boulevard, Olde Town, Arvada Ridge, and Ward Road.

Purposes of and Need for the Proposed Project: The Gold Line area is forecast to be one of the fastest growing areas of the region over the next 20 years. Growth rates for both population and employment are forecast to increase significantly by 2030. Congestion along north I-25 and I-70 West is already severe, with forecasts indicating increasing severity and duration of congestion. In addition to increasing congestion, access through and from the corridor area to other areas in the metro region is difficult. Many roadways are not continuous, requiring circuitous travel. Existing transit service in the area is minimal and often requires a transfer in Downtown Denver for service to other areas. The project will provide a new rail transportation facility to improve local and regional mobility and accessibility for the west metropolitan

This transit project is included as part of RTD's FasTracks Program, a 12-year comprehensive plan for transit service and facilities in the Denver region. The FasTracks Plan is a \$4.7 billion program that was endorsed by the voters of the Denver metropolitan area in 2004. The voters of the region approved an increase in the regional sales and use

tax from 0.6% to 1.0% in order to provide for the expedited build out of the transit system. FasTracks includes a funding plan for 119 new miles of rail transit, 18 miles of bus rapid transit, 21,000 new spaces in park n Rides and significant improvements to the bus system. The FasTracks projects have been adopted in the current Denver area Regional Transportation Plan.

Alternatives: The NEPA scoping process will include an evaluation of the results of the MIS conducted by RTD between 1998 and 2000 as well as the Three Corridors Scoping Study that was completed in October 2005. The locally preferred alternative (LPA) of the MIS was LRT on the BNSF alignment (or Gold Line alignment) from DUS to Ward Road. These recommendations were approved by the Denver Regional Council of Governments and included in the fiscally constrained Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the MetroVision 2030 Master Plan.

FTA and RTD propose that the EIS evaluate the following alternatives:

The No-Action alternative is the option of implementing nothing more than the existing and committed road and transit improvements.

The Transportation System Management (TSM) alternative includes various transportation improvements beyond the existing and committed projects plus enhanced bus transit service in the Gold Line Corridor.

The MIS LPA will be evaluated as the proposed project. The EIS will also consider any additional reasonable alternatives identified during scoping that provide similar transportation benefits while reducing or avoiding

adverse impacts.

The EIS Process and the Role of Participating Agencies and the Public: The purpose of the EIS process is to explore in a public setting potentially significant effects of implementing the proposed action and alternatives on the physical, human, and natural environment. Areas of investigation include, but are not limited to, land use, development potential, land acquisition and displacements, historic resources, visual and aesthetic qualities, air quality, noise and vibration, energy use, safety and security, and ecosystems, including threatened and endangered species. Measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate any significant adverse impacts will be identified. Regulations implementing NEPA, as well as provisions of the recently enacted Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), call for public involvement in the EIS process. Section 6002 of SAFETEA-LU requires that FTA