

On August 5, 1998, the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the City of Manchester was substantially complete within the requirements of section 158.25 of Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than November 3, 1998.

The following is a brief overview of the impose and use application.

*PFC Project #:* 98-08-C-00-MHT.

*Level of the proposed PFC:* \$3.00.

*Charge effective date:* October 1, 2016.

*Estimated charge expiration date:*

April 1, 2017.

*Estimated total net PFC revenue:*

\$2,978,000.

*Brief description of project:* Relocate Kelly Avenue.

Class or classes of air carriers which the public agency has requested not be required to collect PFCs: Air Taxi/ Commercial Operators (ATCO).

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at the Manchester Airport, One Airport Road, Suite 300, Manchester, New Hampshire 03103.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts on August 6, 1998.

**Vincent A. Scarano,**

*Manager, Airports Division, New England Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Notice of Intent To Rule on Application To Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at Victoria Regional Airport, Victoria, TX

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to rule on application.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Victoria Regional Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Public Law 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158).

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before September 14, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate copies to the FAA at the following address: Mr. Ben Guttery, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0610.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Patrick Rhodes, Manager of Victoria Regional Airport at the following address: Mr. Patrick Rhodes, Airport Manager, Victoria Regional Airport, 609 Foster Field Drive, Victoria, Texas 77904.

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of the written comments previously provided to the Airport under Section 158.23 of Part 158.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Ben Guttery, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0610, (817) 222-5614.

The application may be reviewed in person at this same location.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Victoria Regional Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Public Law 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

On August 4, 1998, the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the Airport was substantially complete within the requirements of Section 158.25 of Part 158. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than November 27, 1998.

The following is a brief overview of the application.

*Level of the proposed PFC:* \$3.00.

*Proposed charge effective date:* November 1, 1998.

*Proposed charge expiration date:* November 1, 2001.

*Total estimated PFC revenue:* \$188,872.

*PFC application number:* 98-02-C-00-VCT.

Brief description of proposed projects:

#### Projects To Impose and Use PFC's

Airfield Drainage Improvements (Phase 1) and Upgrade Airfield Guidance Sign System, Airport Master Plan, Drainage Improvements (Phase 2), Airport Entrance Road and Terminal Access Road, Joint Seal/Pavement Repair/Mark Runways 12L/30R and Runway 17/35 and Taxiways A, B, C, and F, and Rehab Runway Lighting Runway 12L/35R.

Proposed class or classes of air carriers to be exempted from collecting PFC's: None.

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** and at the FAA regional Airports office located at: Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, Texas 76137-4298.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at Victoria Regional Airport.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas on August 4, 1998.

**Naomi L. Saunders,**

*Manager, Airports Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement: Washington and Benton Counties, Arkansas

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Washington and Benton Counties, Arkansas.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elizabeth Romero, Environmental Specialist, Federal Highway Administration, 3128 Federal Office Building, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201-3298, Telephone: (501) 324-6430; or Brenda Price, Environmental Scientist, Environmental Division, Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, Post Office Box 2261, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203, Telephone (501) 569-2281.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the

Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal for an improved transportation facility in the Springdale vicinity. The proposal includes several alternatives based on new location corridors and varying termini as well as reconstructing the existing. The approximate length is 27 kilometers (17 miles). This facility would serve northern Washington County and southern Benton County, including Springdale, Tontitown, Bethel Heights, Elm Springs, and Lowell. It will also provide improved access to the Northwest Regional Airport.

The proposed improvements would improve the capacity of the existing route and increase regional mobility along a proposed ultimate east-west route extending from Missouri to Oklahoma. A new location alternative facility would bypass the rapidly growing urban center of Springdale, with its subsequent traffic congestion. The eastern terminus of the proposed improvements will connect to the five-lane U.S. 412 currently under construction just east of Springdale. The western terminus will connect to the existing five-lane U.S. 412 west of Tontitown.

There are no east-west arterials north of existing U.S. Highway 412 across northern Washington County or southern Benton County. The increased development in the area necessitate the prompt identification of the facility alignment so that right-of-way may be preserved.

Alternatives to be considered are:

1. The "Do-Nothing" Alternative where roads are constructed according to the regional plans with the exception of the proposed facility;
2. The "Reconstruction" Alternative where roads on the regional plan are upgraded to handle traffic forecast for the proposed facility, but with less than full control of access;
3. The "New Location" Alternative, considering several different alignments and full control of access.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate federal, state and local agencies and to private organizations, including conservation groups and groups of individuals who have expressed interest in the project in the past and to major Arkansas newspapers. A series of public involvement sessions will be held in the areas to be affected. In addition, a public hearing(s) and a formal scoping meeting(s) will be held. Dates and locations for the meetings will be determined as the project progresses. Public notice will be given

of the time and place of the meetings. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comments prior to the public hearing.

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.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistant Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation of Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### Research and Development Programs Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting at which NHTSA will describe and discuss specific research and development projects. Further, the notice requests suggestions for topics to be presented by the agency.

**DATES AND TIMES:** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will hold a public meeting devoted primarily to presentations of specific research and development projects on September 17, 1998, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and ending at approximately 5:00 p.m. The deadline for interested parties to suggest agenda topics is 4:15 p.m. on August 28, 1998. Questions may be submitted in advance regarding the agency's research and development projects. They must be submitted in writing by September 2, 1998, to the address given below. If sufficient time is available, questions received after the September 2 date will be answered at the meeting during the discussion period. The individual, group, or company asking a question does not have to be present for the question to be answered. A consolidated list of answers to questions submitted by September 2 will be available at the meeting and will be mailed to requesters after the meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Tysons Westpark Hotel, 8401 Westpark Drive, McLean, VA. Suggestions for specific R&D topics as described below and questions for the September 17, 1998, meeting relating to the agency's research and development programs should be submitted to the Office of the Associate Administrator for Research and Development, NRD-01, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 6206, 400 Seventh St., S.W., Washington, DC 20590. The fax number is (202) 366-5930.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In recent years, since April 1993, NHTSA has provided detailed information about its research and development programs in presentations at a series of public meetings. The purpose is to make available more complete and timely information regarding the agency's research and development programs. This is the twenty-first meeting in that series, and it will be held on September 17, 1998, at the Tysons Westpark Hotel, McLean, Virginia.

NHTSA requests suggestions from interested parties on the specific agenda topics to be presented. NHTSA will base its decisions about the agenda, in part, on the suggestions it receives by close of business at 4:15 p.m. on August 28, 1998. Before the meeting, it will publish a notice with an agenda listing the research and development topics to be discussed. The agenda can also be obtained by calling or faxing the information numbers listed elsewhere in this notice or from NHTSA's Web site under Announcements/Public Meetings at URL <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/nhtsa/announce/meetings/>. NHTSA asks that the suggestions be limited to six, in priority order, so that the presentations at the September 17 R&D meeting can be most useful to the audience. Specific R&D topics are listed below. Many of these topics have been discussed at previous meetings. Suggestions for agenda topics are not restricted to this listing, and interested parties are invited to suggest other R&D topics of specific interest to their organizations. Additionally, if any interested parties would like to make a presentation regarding technical issues concerning any of NHTSA's research programs, information concerning the proposed topic and speaker should be submitted in writing by close of business August 28, 1998.

Specific R&D topics are:

Fiscal Year 1999 R&D Research Efforts, International Harmonized Research Activities (IHRA),