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Robert Zoldos,

FAA System Engineer, RTCA Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA Special Committee 147: Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance Systems Airborne Equipment

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special Committee 147 meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 147: Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance Systems Airborne Equipment.

DATES: The meeting will be held May 11-13, 2004 starting at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1828 L St., NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L St., NW., 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 147 meeting. The agenda will include:

- May 11:
 - Opening Session (Welcome and Introductory Remarks, Review/Approve Summary of Previous Meeting, Review of Open Action Items)
 - Special Committee 147 Revised Terms of Reference
 - Working Group Structure
 - FAA Perspectives and Objectives
 - Operational Role of Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System

(TCAS/Airborne Collision Avoidance System (ACAS))

- Relationship of TCAS of Aircraft Surveillance Applications (ASA)/Airborne Separation Assistance Systems (ASAS)/Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B)
- Operations and Surveillance Working Group Activities
 - May 12:
 - Requirements Working Group (RWG) Activities
 - Cockpit Display of Traffic Information (CDTI); SC-186 Developing Minimum Operational Performance Standards (MOPS)
 - FAA/SC-147 Knowledge Services Network (KSN)
 - May 13:
 - Working Group Breakout/Organizational Meeting
 - Closing Session (Future Actions/Activities, 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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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement: Rutherford County, NC

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Rutherford County, North Carolina.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Emily O. Lawton, Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 310 New Bern Avenue, Suite 410, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601, Telephone: (919) 856-4350.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) or environmental impact statement (EIS) addressing proposed improvements to the U.S. 221 corridor from U.S. 74 Bypass to SR 1355 (Mountain Creek Road) in Rutherford County. The proposed action would involve the construction of a multi-lane divided, controlled access highway, possibly on new location. The proposed project will be approximately 12.3 miles long depending on the alternative chosen. The proposed facility is considered necessary to reduce congestion, improve safety, and improve travel time for traffic using the U.S. 221 corridor in the vicinity of Rutherford County. The proposed action is consistent with the thoroughfare plan approved by the towns of Rutherford County and Spindale, Rutherford County, and the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Alternatives under consideration include:

1. Do-Nothing
2. Alternative Modes of Transportation
3. Construction on New Alignment
4. Improve existing U.S. 221

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments have been sent to appropriate Federal, State and local agencies. Public information meetings, meetings with local officials, and a public hearing will be held. Information on the time and place of the public information meetings and public hearing will be provided in the local news media. The EA or draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

To ensure the full range of issues related to the proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments and questions concerning the proposed action should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(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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Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, Raleigh, North Carolina.

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