

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement:
Jefferson County, NY**

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 the proposed highway project in Jefferson County, New York.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: R. Carey Babyak P.E., Regional Director, 317 Washington Street, Watertown, NY 13601, Telephone: (315) 785-2333; or Robert Arnold, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, New York division, Leo W. O'Brien Federal Building, 9th Floor, Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207, Telephone: (518) 431-4127.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to improve the transportation link between Interstate Route 81 and U.S. Route 11 north of the City of Watertown, in Jefferson County, New York. The proposed improvement would involve the construction of a new highway or the reconstruction of an existing highway in the towns of Pamela and LeRay for a distance of about 7.7 kilometers (4.8 miles). Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to provide for the existing and projected operational needs of the Fort Drum Army Base, address current and projected highway capacity issues, and enhance the traffic safety of the transportation system.

Alternatives under consideration include: (1) Taking no action; (2) creating a new interchange and alignment north of exit 48 on Interstate Route 81; (3) improving the interchange at exit 48 on Interstate Route 81 and reconstructing the existing highway network; and (4) rebuilding the interchange at exit 47 and creating a new alignment south of exit 48 on Interstate Route 81. Incorporated into and studied with the various build alternatives will be design variations of grade and alignment.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed interest in this proposal. A series of public information meetings

will be held in the Towns of Pamela and LeRay between September, 2004 and December, 2005. In addition, at least one public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearings. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment. No formal NEPA scoping meeting is planned at this time.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposal 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 NYSDOT or FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, 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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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

September 2, 2004.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20220.

Dates: Written comments should be received on or before October 13, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

Bureau of the Public Debt (PD)

OMB Number: 1535-0111.

Form Number: SB 2362, 2378 and 2383.

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Authorization for Purchase and Request for Change U.S. Savings Bonds.

Description: These forms are used to authorize employers to allot funds from

employee's pay for the purchase of Savings Bonds.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,300,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 1 minute.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden Hours: 21,667 hours.

Clearance Officer: Vicki S. Thorpe, (304) 480-6553, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, West VA 26106-1328.

OMB Reviewer: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., (202) 395-7316, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Lois K. Holland,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

August 30, 2004.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

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Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1032.

Form Number: IRS Form 8869.

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Allocation of Individual Income Tax to the Virgin Islands.

Description: Form 8869 is used by U.S. citizens or residents as an attachment to Form 1040 when they have Virgin Islands source income. The data is used by IRS to verify the amount claimed on Form 1040 for taxes paid to the Virgin Islands.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 800.