

includes a State Coordination Grant that provides support to help States address the issues outlined both by GAO and by the President in the Executive Order.

FTA requested an emergency approval from OMB for the United We Ride State Coordination Grant Initiative in a **Federal Register** notice dated May 21, 2004. OMB approved the request on June 22, 2004. This approval expires on December 31, 2004.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 500 hours.

ADDRESSES: All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FTA Desk Officer.

Comments Are Invited On: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: October 19, 2004.

Ann M. Linnertz,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Transfer of Federally Assisted Land or Facility

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to transfer federally assisted land or facility.

SUMMARY: Section 5334(g) of the Federal Transit Laws, as codified, 49 U.S.C. 5301 *et seq.*, permits the Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to authorize a recipient of FTA funds to transfer land or a facility to a public body for any public purpose with no further obligation to the Federal Government if, among other things, no Federal agency is interested in acquiring the asset for Federal use. Accordingly, FTA is issuing this notice to advise Federal agencies that the Whatcom

Transportation Authority (WTA) intends to transfer a parcel of land with structures to the City of Bellingham, Washington to use in the City's public works division for office space and storage of that division's vehicles and equipment. The parcel was formerly used as WTA's bus maintenance, operations and administrative facility and consists of approximately 29,250 square feet of land on the northeast corner of Nevada Street and Virginia Street in Bellingham, Washington (post office address: 2200 Nevada Street, Bellingham, WA) situated within a heavy commercial and/or light industrial area zoned LM for light manufacturing. The property includes a flex-type building consisting of a front office and/or administration section, a large, attached, multi-purpose shop or warehouse-type rear section and an exterior bus wash facility. The total building coverage is approximately 14,966 square feet.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Any Federal agency interested in acquiring the land or facility must notify the FTA Region X Office of its interest by November 22, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should notify the Regional Office by writing to Richard F. Krochalis, Regional Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, 915 Second Avenue, Room 3142, Seattle, WA 98174.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Theodore Y. Uyeno, Regional Counsel (206) 220-7958.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

49 U.S.C. 5334(g) provides guidance on the transfer of capital assets. Specifically, if a recipient of FTA assistance decides an asset acquired under this chapter at least in part with that assistance is no longer needed for the purpose for which it was acquired, the Secretary of Transportation may authorize the recipient to transfer the asset to a local government authority to be used for a public purpose with no further obligation to the Government. 49 U.S.C. 5334(g)(1).

Determinations

The Secretary may authorize a transfer for a public purpose other than mass transportation only if the Secretary decides:

(A) The asset will remain in public use for at least 5 years after the date the asset is transferred;

(B) There is no purpose eligible for assistance under this chapter for which the asset should be used;

(C) The overall benefit of allowing the transfer is greater than the interest of the Government in liquidation and return of the financial interest of the Government in the asset, after considering fair market value and other factors; and

(D) Through an appropriate screening or survey process, that there is no interest in acquiring the asset for Government use if the asset is a facility or land.

Federal Interest in Acquiring Land or Facility

This document implements the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5334(G)(1)(D) of the Federal Transit Laws. Accordingly, FTA hereby provides notice of the availability of the land or facility further described below. Any Federal agency interested in acquiring the affected land or facility should promptly notify the FTA. If no Federal agency is interested in acquiring the existing land or facility, FTA will make certain that the other requirements specified in 49 U.S.C. 5334(g)(1)(A) through (C) are met before permitting the asset to be transferred.

Additional Description of Land or Facility

The property is a former bus operations and maintenance site consisting of an approximately 29,250 square foot parcel of land at the corner of Nevada and Virginia Streets in Bellingham, Washington. The property is situated within an area zoned LM for light manufacturing use. The parcel is located in a heavy commercial/light industrial area. The property was previously used as a transit bus operations and maintenance facility. The property contains a flex-type building consisting of a front office and/or administration section and a large attached multi-purpose shop or warehouse rear section for a total building coverage of approximately 14,966 square feet. The property includes a bus wash facility connected to the main building section which includes an enclosed control room servicing an exterior bus wash unit of metal framing with ground level guiding tracks for large vehicles and installed brushing and swiping apparatus with automatic operating system and water lines. The subject lot has perimeter dimensions of 130 feet in width from south to north fronting along the east side of Nevada Street and is 225 feet in depth or length from west to east adjacent to the north side of Virginia Street.

The entire tract is level and at-grade in relation to both Nevada and Virginia Streets, which are fully improved, two-

way traffic, local streets serving this part of Bellingham, having parallel concrete curbs and public sidewalks as well as providing curbside vehicular parking. The building improvements consist of concrete foundations, basic concrete slab floors, enameled metal side walls, flat roofs with gutters and downspouts and various entry doors and glass windows. The front office section has exterior dimensions of 26 feet wide and 112 feet long for a total enclosed ground floor area of 2,912 square feet. The interior includes work areas, seven individual offices, several work stations, a lounge, two lavatory rooms and shower room with small closets and storage rooms. The rear building section has exterior dimensions of 80 feet wide by 151 feet long with a ground floor coverage of 12,054 square feet. The space is all open and non-partitioned with a concrete slab floor, exposed metal sidewalls and eleven large metal vehicular size roll-up doors. Miscellaneous site improvements include approximately 12,500 square feet of asphalt surfaced vehicular parking and maneuvering areas and assorted landscaped areas which include shrubberies, trees and ornamentals.

The general condition of the building appears in good overall condition from a structural standpoint and is approximately 26 years old. The bus wash facility is considered obsolete or an unnecessary improvement.

Issued on October 12, 2004.

Richard F. Krochalis,

Regional Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number 2004 19433]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel ALTAIR.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Pub. L. 105-383 and Pub. L. 107-295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by

MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket 2004-19433 at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels.

If MARAD determines, in accordance with Pub. L. 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments.

Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 26, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2004 19433. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Hokana, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR-830 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone (202) 366-0760.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel ALTAIR is:

Intended Use: Boat riding and fishing, snorkeling, scuba diving, whale watching.

Geographic Region: Hawaii.

Dated: October 19, 2004.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number 2004 19432]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel DARIOS DREAM.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Pub. L. 105-383 and Pub. L. 107-295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket 2004-19432 at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with Pub. L. 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments.

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