

delegation of authority to adjudicate and waive claims of or against the Department of State.

Section 3. General Provisions

(a) This Delegation of authority shall be published in the **Federal Register** and is effective upon the date of my signature.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this Delegation of Authority, the Secretary of State, the Deputy Secretary of State, or the Under Secretary of State for Management may at any time exercise any function delegated by this delegation of authority.

(c) Functions delegated by this delegation of authority may not be redelegated.

(d) Any reference in this delegation of authority to any act, executive order, determination, delegation of authority, regulation, or procedure shall be deemed to be a reference to such act, order, determination, delegation of authority, regulation, or procedure as amended from time to time.

Dated: October 22, 2003.

Grant S. Green, Jr.,

*Under Secretary of State for Management,
Department of State.*

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Office of the Secretary

[Public Notice: 4542]

Extension of the Restriction on the Use of United States Passports for Travel to, in, or Through Libya

On December 11, 1981, pursuant to the authority of 22 U.S.C. 211a and Executive Order 11295 (31 FR 10603), and in accordance with 22 CFR 51.73(a)(3), all United States passports were declared invalid for travel to, in, or through Libya unless specifically validated for such travel. This restriction has been renewed yearly because of the unsettled relations between the United States and the Government of Libya and the possibility of hostile acts against Americans in Libya. The American Embassy in Tripoli remains closed, thus preventing the United States from providing routine diplomatic protection or consular assistance to Americans who may travel to Libya.

In light of these events and circumstances, I have determined that Libya continues to be a country "where there is imminent danger to the public health or physical safety of United

States travellers" within the meaning of 22 U.S.C. 211a and 22 CFR 51.73(a)(3).

Accordingly, all United States passports shall remain invalid for travel to, in, or through Libya unless specifically validated for such travel under the authority of the Secretary of State.

This Public Notice shall be effective upon publication in the **Federal Register** and the restriction herein shall expire at midnight November 24, 2004, unless extended or sooner revoked by Public Notice. The Department of State will review this restriction every three months while it remains in effect.

Dated: November 17, 2003.

Colin L. Powell,

Secretary of State, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Fond du Lac & Sheboygan Counties, Wisconsin

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement (EIS) will be prepared for the proposed improvements of STH 23 between CTH K east of Fond du Lac in Fond du Lac County and CTH P west of Plymouth in Sheboygan County, Wisconsin.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Johnny M Gerbitz, Field Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 567 D'Onofrio Drive, Madison, Wisconsin 53719-2814; telephone: (608) 829-7511. You may also contact Mr. Eugene Johnson, Director, Bureau of Equity & Environmental Services, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 7965, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7965; telephone: number 608-267-9527.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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Government Printing Office's database at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html>.

Background

The FHWA, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement to construct a four-lane facility on STH 23. The project begins at CTH K east of Fond du Lac in Fond du Lac County and extends approximately 19 miles to CTH P west of Plymouth in Sheboygan County, Wisconsin.

The anticipated format for the EIS will be Screening Worksheets rather than the typical narrative form. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation has developed a series of Environmental Screening Worksheets which are divided into Basic Sheets and Factor Sheets. The Screening Worksheets provide a flexible means of addressing the requirements for an Environmental Document.

The improvements to this highway are considered necessary to decrease the potential for crashes, lower congestion, and complete the construction of a multi-lane highway facility between the Fond du Lac and Sheboygan urban areas.

Planning, environmental, and engineering studies are underway to develop transportation alternatives. The EIS will assess the need, location, and environmental impacts of alternatives within the study area. These alternatives include (1) *No Build*—this alternative assumes the continued use of existing facility with the maintenance necessary to ensure its continued use; (2) *Upgrade the Existing Facilities*—this alternative would improve the safety and traffic handling capabilities of the existing route; (3) *Construction of Added Lanes on Existing or New Alignment*—This alternative would involve one or more proposals for construction of two new lanes adjacent to the existing highway or another local roadway, constructing four lanes on new locations, or a combination of add lanes and a new location. All alternatives will examine improvements to bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Information 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, or are known to have interest in this proposal. A series of public meetings will be held in the project corridor throughout the data gathering and development of alternatives. In addition, a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the