



Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Final Federal Agency Action on Proposed Highway Project in Georgia, the I-285/I-20 East Interchange Project, DeKalb County, Georgia (Atlanta Metropolitan Area)

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Limitations on Claims for Judicial Review of Action by FHWA and other Federal Agencies.

SUMMARY: This notice announces actions taken by FHWA and other Federal agencies that are final. This final agency action relates to the reconstruction of the I-285/I-20 east interchange and improvements along I-20 east of the interchange and I-285 north of the interchange in DeKalb County. The FHWA's Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) provides details on the Selected Alternative for the proposed improvements.

DATES: By this notice, FHWA is advising the public of the final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(*l*)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency actions on the highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before [INSERT DATE 150 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that FHWA has taken a final agency action by issuing a FONSI for the following highway project in the State of Georgia: the I-285/I-20 East Interchange Project located in DeKalb County, Georgia. The proposed project will improve safety and operational efficiency at the I-285/I-20 east interchange through the reconstruction of two directional ramps that accommodate higher design speeds, and through geometric improvements at each of the other ramps within the interchange. This project also includes the extension and/or addition of auxiliary and collector-distributor lanes along the heavily travelled 6.3-mile stretch of I-20 between Lithonia Industrial Boulevard and the I-285/I-20 east interchange and along I-285 north of the interchange to Glenwood Road. The facility will include improvements to approximately 6.6 miles along I-20 and 2.8 miles along I-285. The purpose of the project is to reduce crashes and improve traffic flow within the I-285/I-20 east interchange and along portions of I-20 east of the interchange.

The FHWA's action, related actions by other Federal agencies, and the laws under which such actions were taken are described in the Environmental Assessment (EA) approved on July 29, 2020, in FHWA's FONSI issued on

November 17, 2020, and other documents in the project file. The EA, FONSI, and other project records are available by contacting FHWA or the Georgia Department of Transportation at the addresses listed above. The EA and FONSI can also be reviewed and downloaded from the project website at <https://majormobilityga.com/projects/eastsideic/>.

This notice applies to all Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

1. *General*: National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321–4351]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109 and 23 U.S.C. 128].
2. *Air*: Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401–7671(q)].
3. *Noise*: Noise Control Act of 1972 [42 U.S.C. 4901-4918]; 23 CFR part 772.
4. *Land*: Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303].
5. *Wildlife*: Endangered Species Act (ESA) [16 U.S.C. 1531–1544 and Section 1536]; Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661–667d]; Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703–712].
6. *Historic and Cultural Resources*: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [16 U.S.C. 470(f) *et seq.*]; Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 [16 U.S.C. 470(aa)–470(ll)]; Archeological and Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 469–469c]; Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) [25 U.S.C. 3001–3013].
7. *Social and Economic*: Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000(d) –

2000(d)(1)]; American Indian Religious Freedom Act [42 U.S.C. 1996]; Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) [7 U.S.C. 4201–4209].

8. *Wetlands and Water Resources*: Coastal Zone Management Act [16 U.S.C. 1451–1465]; Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) [16 U.S.C. 4601–4604]; Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) [42 U.S.C. 300(f)-300(j)(6)]; Wild and Scenic Rivers Act [16 U.S.C. 1271– 1287]; Flood Disaster Protection Act [42 U.S.C. 4001–4128].

9. *Hazardous Materials*: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) [42 U.S.C. 9601–9675]; Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA); Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) [42 U.S.C. 6901–6992(k)].

10. *Executive Orders*: E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management; E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514 Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality; E.O. 13045 Protection of Children From Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks; E.O. 13112 Invasive Species.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing E.O. 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities

apply to this program.)

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 139(*l*)(1).

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