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Division: Planning Division

Rule Title: Intermodal Connector Improvement Program Administration

The person to be contacted regarding the proposed rule is: Facility and Records Management Director

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Purpose:

To establish the Department's policy and procedures for the administration of Federal National Highway System funds to eligible intermodal facilities.

Summary:

A field inspection of Mississippi's intermodal connectors, conducted by the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) in 1998 resulted in the determination that intermodal facilities across the state needed improvements. The Mississippi Transportation Commission then made National Highway System Funds available for these improvements.

An intermodal connector is defined as a roadway connecting intermodal facilities to a roadway that is part of the National Highway System.

The full text of the proposed rule is:

All cites herein refer to the most current version of the cited document.

The Mississippi Transportation Commission may at their discretion make available National Highway System Funds to eligible intermodal facilities.

Eligibility will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis when a proposed project involves relocation, new construction, two or more intermodal connectors, or other unique features.

The MDOT will inform eligible facilities of funds availability and solicit applications from them to be due on a date designated each year.

After applications have been received and screened for general acceptability by the MDOT, they will be distributed to a selection committee of intermodal facility representatives for review and analysis. Once review and prioritization is complete, the projects, along with their respective rationale, will be submitted to the Mississippi Transportation Commission for final approval.

The Transportation Commission will announce the selected projects once the project review and selection process is complete and official Commission approval has been given.

Once applicants have been notified that their project has been approved, the project may be initiated by following the procedures found in the Project Development Manual for Local Public Agencies (PDM).

The applicant should submit their Project Activation Request (PAR) form to the MDOT Planning Division within three (3) months of the date of the award notification.