

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR REVISED SECTION 4(F) DE MINIMIS FINDING ON THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Project: DOT&PF Sterling Highway: Sterling Safety Corridor Improvements, 82.5 to 94
Project No.: CFHWY00130

DOT&PF requests public comment on a proposed Section 4(f) de minimis impact finding. The project would impact Scout Lake State Recreation Site (SRS), protected by Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Act of 1966. The project would require the permanent acquisition of approximately 14.56 acres from three undeveloped parcels within Scout Lake SRS to realign Scout Lake Road with Lois Street, construct a new backage road connecting Lois Street to Corey Street, and relocate utility poles. In consultation with the officials with jurisdiction over the resource, DOT&PF has assessed the proposal's impacts to Scout Lake SRS and intends to make a finding of de minimis impact (a determination that the project will not adversely affect the features, attributes, or activities that qualify the property for protection after consideration of impact avoidance, minimization, and mitigation or enhancement measures). A copy of the draft de minimis finding is published on the project website – www.SterlingSafetyImprovements.com. Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to begin in Spring 2026.

To ensure that all possible factors are considered, please provide comments via email or mailing address to the following address by January 3, 2026.

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The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by DOT&PF pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated April 13, 2023 and executed by FHWA and DOT&PF.

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