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**Louisville-Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project**  
Jefferson County, Kentucky and Clark County, Indiana

**Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Section 4(f) Evaluation**

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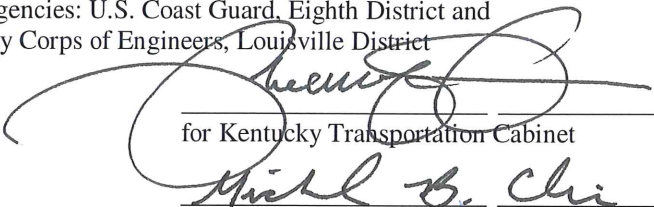
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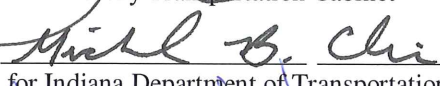
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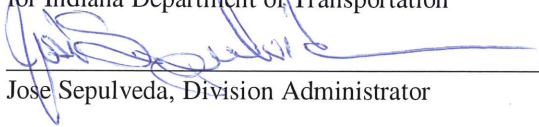
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On April 8, 2003 a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) was prepared for the Louisville – Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project. This was followed by a Record of Decision on September 6, 2003. The preferred alternative as described in the FEIS provides the improvement of cross-river mobility between Jefferson County, Kentucky, and Clark County, Indiana. The preferred alternative is a two bridges/highway alternative. It provides for a new Ohio River Bridge between Louisville, KY and Jeffersonville, IN immediately upstream and adjacent to the existing I-65 and for a second new Ohio River bridge, approximately 8 miles upstream of the existing I-65 crossing, which provides connections in the eastern part of Jefferson and Clark Counties between KY 841 (Gene Snyder Freeway) in Kentucky and SR 265 in Indiana. The preferred alternate also provides for the reconstruction of the Kennedy Interchange (Interstates I-65, I-64, and I-71) near Downtown Louisville and the approaches in Jeffersonville to the new Ohio River bridge.

On February 15, 2011, a Notice was placed in the *Federal Register* establishing that a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) would be prepared for the project. This Supplemental DEIS provides a discussion of new circumstances or relevant information to environmental concerns that have risen since completion of the FEIS. This document will discuss modifications that have occurred in the basic design, effects associated with consideration of tolling as a financing mechanism, and environmental elements that might have changed because of the passage of time since the completion of the original EIS.

This Supplemental DEIS is expected to be published in the *Federal Register* on Friday, November 25, 2011. Comments on this Supplemental DEIS are due by January 9, 2012. Comments are to be sent to the individuals listed above.

