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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Office of Commercial Space Transportation; Adoption and Notice of Availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for Boost-back and Landing of the Falcon 9 Full Thrust First Stage at SLC-4 West at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California and Offshore Landing Contingency Option

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of the FONSI.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA; 42 United States Code 4321 *et seq.*), Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) NEPA implementing regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] parts 1500 to 1508), and FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*, the FAA is announcing the adoption of, and availability of a FONSI for, the U.S. Air Force's (USAF's) *Environmental Assessment, Boost-Back and Landing of the Falcon 9 Full Thrust First Stage at SLC-4 West, Vandenberg Air Force Base, California and Offshore Landing Contingency Option* (EA).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Daniel Czelusniak, Environmental Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave. SW., Room 325, Washington, DC 20591; email [Daniel.Czelusniak@faa.gov](mailto:Daniel.Czelusniak@faa.gov); or phone (202) 267-5924.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The USAF acted as the lead agency, and the FAA was a cooperating agency, in the preparation of the EA. The EA analyzed the potential environmental impacts of Space Exploration Technologies Corp. (SpaceX) constructing a landing pad and improving infrastructure at Space Launch Complex 4 West (SLC-4W) at Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB), as well as conducting boost-backs and landings of the Falcon 9 first stage booster at SLC-4W or on a special-purpose barge, no less than 31 miles offshore in the Pacific Ocean. The EA was prepared in accordance with NEPA,

CEQ NEPA implementing regulations, the USAF's Environmental Impact Analysis Process (32 CFR 989), and FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*.

As the activities considered in the EA would require Federal actions (as defined in 40 CFR 1508.18) involving the USAF and FAA, the EA was prepared to satisfy the NEPA obligations of both agencies. The FAA's Federal action in this matter pertains to its role in issuing licenses for the operation of commercial launch and reentry vehicles at launch sites. The USAF issued a FONSI on April 26, 2016, which stated that implementing the Proposed Action would not have a significant effect on the human environment. Based upon its independent review and consideration of the EA, the FAA formally adopts the EA—concurring with the EA's analysis of impacts and findings—and issues a FONSI to support the issuance of launch licenses to SpaceX for Falcon 9 boost-back and landing operations at VAFB or in the Pacific Ocean. If, in their license application to the FAA, SpaceX makes changes to their operations which fall outside the scope of the EA, additional environmental review would be required prior to the FAA issuing a license associated with such an application.

After reviewing and analyzing available data and information on existing conditions and potential impacts, the FAA has determined that issuing launch licenses to SpaceX for Falcon 9 boost-back and landing operations at VAFB or in the Pacific Ocean is a Federal action that would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment within the meaning of NEPA. The FAA made this determination in accordance with all applicable environmental laws and FAA regulations.

The FAA has posted the FONSI on the internet at [http://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/ast/environmental/nepa\\_docs/review/launch/](http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ast/environmental/nepa_docs/review/launch/).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; Meeting Notice

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

Title: National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (NEMSAC); Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

**ACTION:** Meeting Notice—National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council.

**SUMMARY:** The NHTSA announces meeting of NEMSAC to be held in the Metropolitan Washington, DC, area. This notice announces the date, time, and location of the meetings, which will be open to the public, as well as opportunities for public input to the NEMSAC. The purpose of NEMSAC, a nationally recognized council of emergency medical services representatives and consumers, is to advise and consult with DOT and the Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services (FICEMS) on matters relating to emergency medical services (EMS).

**DATES:** The NEMSAC meeting will be held on December 1, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. EST, and that afternoon from 4:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., and on December 2, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. EST. A public comment period will take place on December 1, 2016 between 11:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. EST and on December 2, 2016 between 10:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. EDT. NEMSAC committees will meet in the same location on Thursday, December 1, 2016 from 1:15 p.m. to 4 p.m. EST. Written comments for the NEMSAC from the public must be received no later than November 25, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20009. Attendees should plan to arrive 20 minutes early to check in for the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan McHenry, U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., NTI-140, Washington, DC 20590, [susan.mchenry@dot.gov](mailto:susan.mchenry@dot.gov) or 202-366-6540.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.). The NEMSAC is authorized under Section 31108 of the Moving

Ahead with Progress in the 21st Century Act of 2012.

### **Tentative Agenda of the National EMS Advisory Council Meeting**

The tentative NEMSAC agenda includes the following:

*Thursday, December 1, 2016, (8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. EST)*

- (1) Opening Remarks
- (2) Disclosure of Conflicts of Interests by Members
- (3) Approval of September 7–8, 2016 NEMSAC Meeting Minutes
- (4) Federal Liaison Update—Reports and Updates from the Departments of Transportation, Homeland Security, and Health & Human Services
- (5) NEMSAC Committee Updates & Discussion
- (6) Public Comment (11:15 a.m.—11:45 a.m. EST)
- (7) Recess until 4:00pm for Day (11:45 a.m. EST)
- (8) NEMSAC Committees Breakout Sessions from 1:15 p.m.—4 p.m.—(on-site and open to the public)
- (9) Reconvene NEMSAC from 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. for Committee reports on status of changes in preparation for public comment and vote next day

*Friday, December 2 2016 (8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. EST)*

- (1) Reconvene and Introductions
- (2) NEMSAC Committee Reports (see committee list below)
- (3) Public Comment (10:45 a.m.—11:15 a.m. EST)
- (4) NEMSAC Action on Committee Advisories
- (5) Next Steps and Wrap up
- (6) Adjourn—12 p.m. EST

#### *Overview of NEMSAC Committees*

- a. Funding and Reimbursement
- b. Innovative Practices of EMS Workforce
- c. Data Integration and Technology
- d. Patient Care, Quality Improvement and General Safety
- e. Provider and Community Education
- f. Ad Hoc Committee on Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (REPLICA)—completed in September
- g. Ad Hoc Committee on EMS Scope of Practice Model & Administration of Narcotic Antagonists—completed in September

Registration Information: This meeting will be open to the public; however, pre-registration is requested. Individuals wishing to attend must register online no later than November 25, 2016. For NEMSAC please register at: <http://www.cvent.com/d/yvqzc2/4W>.

For assistance with registration, please contact Susan McHenry at [Susan.Mchenry@dot.gov](mailto:Susan.Mchenry@dot.gov) or at 202–366–6540. There will not be a teleconference option for these meetings.

Public Comment: Members of the public are encouraged to comment directly to the NEMSAC during designated public comment periods. In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 5 minutes. Written comments from members of the public will be distributed to NEMSAC members at the meeting and should reach the NHTSA Office of EMS no later than November 25, 2016. Written comments may be submitted by either one of the following methods: (1) You may submit comments by email: [nemsac@dot.gov](mailto:nemsac@dot.gov) or (2) you may submit comments by fax: 202–366–7149.

A final agenda as well as meeting materials will be available to the public online through [www.EMS.gov](http://www.EMS.gov) on or before November 15, 2016.

Dated: November 4, 2016.

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