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Interstate 74 Quad Cities Corridor Study
Scott County, Iowa and Rock Island County, Illinois

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DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
AND SECTION 4(f) STATEMENT

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The National Environmental Policy Act, as amended
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The signatures are considered acceptance of the general project location and concepts described in the environmental document unless otherwise specified by the approving officials. However, such approval does not commit to approve any future grant request to fund the preferred alternative.

For Federal Highway Administration	For Iowa Department of Transportation	For Illinois Department of Transportation

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The Iowa and Illinois Departments of Transportation, in conjunction with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), have initiated planning and preliminary design studies for the improvement of Interstate 74 in Scott County, Iowa and Rock Island County, Illinois. The project begins at the I-74 interchange with 23rd Avenue in Moline, Illinois, and continues north across the Mississippi River to the I-74 interchange with 53rd Street in Davenport, Iowa. The proposed work consists of upgrading the existing 4-lane interstate by providing mainline capacity improvements, interchange modifications, and realigning I-74 across the Mississippi River. This Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) considers location alternatives for the bridge alignment, alternative interchange configurations, optional lane configurations to increase the mainline capacity, and a No-Action alternative. Potential impacts of the alternatives have been evaluated and include those to wetlands, water resources, historic buildings, homes and businesses, and public facilities and services.

Comments on this draft EIS are due by January 9, 2004, and should be sent to James P. Rost, Iowa DOT, as listed above.