DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on the Interstate 395 High Occupancy (HOV) Vehicle Ramp at Seminary Road Project in Virginia

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Limitation on Claims for Judicial Review of Actions by FHWA.

SUMMARY: This notice announces actions taken by the FHWA that are final within the meaning of 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). The actions relate to the Interstate 395 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Ramp at Seminary Road project in the City of Alexandria, Virginia. Those actions grant licenses, permits, and approvals for the project.

DATES: By this notice, the FHWA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency actions on the project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before January 2, 2013. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a claim arising under Federal law seeking judicial review of a permit, license, or approval issued by a Federal agency for a highway or public transportation capital project shall be barred unless it is filed within 180 days after publication of a notice in the Federal Register announcing that the permit, license, or approval is final pursuant to the law under which the agency action is taken, unless a shorter time is specified in the Federal law pursuant to which judicial review is allowed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John Simkins, Planning and Environment Team Leader, Federal Highway Administration, 400 North 8th Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; telephone: (804) 775–3342; email: John.Simkins@dot.gov. The FHWA Virginia Division Office’s normal business hours are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Eastern Time). For the Virginia Department of Transportation: Mr. Robert Josco, Environmental Program Manager, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, Virginia 22030; telephone: (703) 259–2764; email: Robert.Josco@VDOT.Virginia.gov. The Virginia Department of Transportation’s normal business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Eastern Time).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that FHWA has taken final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1) by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the following project in the State of Virginia: Interstate 395 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Ramp at Seminary Road. The project would involve construction of a ramp between the Interstate 395 HOV lanes and Seminary Road. The actions taken by FHWA, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the Environmental Assessment, the May 10, 2012 letter revising the Environmental Assessment and requesting a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), the FONSI that was issued on June 12, 2012, and in other documents in the FHWA project records. The Environmental Assessment, the letter revising the Environmental Assessment and requesting a FONSI, and the FONSI can be viewed on the project’s Internet site at http://www.vamegaprojects.com/about-megaprojects/mark-center-taskforce/. These documents and other project records are also available by contacting FHWA or the Virginia Department of Transportation at the phone numbers and addresses provided above.

This notice applies to all Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:


2. Air: Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401–7671(q)].


5. Historic and Cultural Resources: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [16 U.S.C. 470(f) et seq.].


(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)


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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2012–0050]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received a request for a waiver of compliance from certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner’s arguments in favor of relief.

The Lake Railway LLC (LRY) petitioned FRA for a waiver from the requirements of 49 CFR 231.30 regarding their locomotive, LRY #2809, a 1985 EMD Model GP49.

As stated by the petitioner, this locomotive has been in service with the current step arrangement for decades, as it was modified for specific use by its original owner, Alaska Railroad. The current configuration of the front ladder does not present a safety hazard to LRY crews that are regularly assigned to use this locomotive. In summary, the configuration of the front ladder arrangement is equivalent to that for a locomotive built prior to April 1, 1977.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA–2012–0050) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

• Web site: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

• Fax: 202–493–2251.


Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be