

the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) assumed, environmental responsibilities for this project pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327. Notice is hereby given that the Caltrans has taken final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1) by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the following highway project in the State of California: Caltrans proposes to restore the structural integrity of the fender system and upgrade the boat ramps and ferry deck to improve the Real McCoy Ferry's accessibility across Cache Slough on State Route 84 in Solano County. The Project would replace the Real McCoy Ferry's deteriorating timber fender system with a new steel pile fender system; replace the boat ramps with new concrete approach slab ramps that would accommodate larger vehicles, including commercial and emergency vehicles, and extend the ferry boat deck to improve vehicle access on and off the ferry.

The actions by the Federal agencies, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the project, approved on June 27, 2022. The EA, FONSI, and other project records are available by contacting Caltrans at the addresses provided above. The Caltrans EA and FONSI can be viewed and downloaded from the project website at <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-4/d4-popular-links/d4-environmental-docs>, or viewed at the Solano County Library-Rio Vista, 44 S 2nd St, Rio Vista, CA 94571.

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:

1. National Environmental Policy Act
2. Federal Clean Air Act
3. Federal-Aid Highway Act
4. Clean Water Act
5. Fixing American's Surface Transportation Act (Fast Act)
6. Archeological and Historic Preservation Act
7. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
8. Federal Endangered Species Act
9. Migratory Bird and Treaty Act
10. Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act
11. Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act
12. Civil Rights Act, Title VI
13. Farmland Protection Policy Act
14. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act
15. Rehabilitation Act
16. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)
17. Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

(RCRA)

18. Safe Drinking Water Act
19. Occupational Safety and Health Act
20. Atomic Energy Act
21. Toxic Substances Control Act
22. Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act
23. E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management
24. 29. E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations
25. 30. E.O. 12088, Federal Compliance with Pollution Control Standards
26. 31. Park Preservation Act
27. 32. American with Disabilities Act
28. 33. Historic Sites Act
29. 34. Community Environmental Response Facilitation Act of 1992
30. 35. E.O. 13112, Invasive Species (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.)

*Authority:* 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).

**Antonio Johnson,**

*Director, Planning, Environment and Right of Way, Federal Highway Administration, California Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2022-0139]

#### Hours of Service of Drivers: Application for Exemption; Ronnie Brown III

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of application for exemption; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA announces that Ronnie Brown III requests an exemption from the federal hours of service (HOS) and electronic logging device (ELD) regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations. The applicant requests the exemption for himself only for a 5-year period. FMCSA requests public comment on Mr. Brown's request for exemption.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before September 19, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by Federal Docket Management System Number (FDMS) FMCSA-2022-0139 by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). See the Public

Participation and Request for Comments section below for further information.

- *Mail:* Docket Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- *Fax:* (202) 493-2251.

Each submission must include the Agency name and the docket number for this notice (FMCSA-2022-0139). Note that DOT posts all comments received without change to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), including any personal information included in a comment. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

*Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) at any time or visit Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 366-9317 or (202) 366-9826 before visiting Docket Operations.

*Privacy Act:* In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315(b), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its exemption process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). As described in the system of records notice DOT/ALL 14 -FDMS, which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>, the comments are searchable by the name of the submitter.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Richard Clemente, FMCSA Driver and Carrier Operations Division; Office of Carrier, Driver and Vehicle Safety Standards; 202-366-2722 or [richard.clemente@dot.gov](mailto:richard.clemente@dot.gov). If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, contact Docket Operations, telephone (202) 366-9826.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Public Participation and Request for Comments

FMCSA encourages you to participate by submitting comments and related materials.

##### Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (FMCSA-2022-0139), indicate the specific section of this document to

which the comment applies, and provide a reason for suggestions or recommendations. You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so the Agency can contact you if it has questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and put the docket number (“FMCSA–2022–0139”) in the “Keyword” box, and click “Search.” When the new screen appears, click on the “Comment Now!” button and type your comment into the text box in the following screen. Choose whether you are submitting your comment as an individual or on behalf of a third party and then submit. If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit comments by mail and would like to know that they reached the facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. FMCSA will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

## II. Legal Basis

FMCSA has authority under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b) to grant exemptions from certain Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. FMCSA must publish a notice of each exemption request in the **Federal Register** (49 CFR 381.315(a)). The Agency must provide the public an opportunity to inspect the information relevant to the application, including any safety analyses that have been conducted. The Agency must also provide an opportunity for public comment on the request.

The Agency reviews safety analyses and public comments submitted and determines whether granting the exemption would likely achieve a level of safety equivalent to, or greater than, the level that would be achieved by the current regulation (49 CFR 381.305). The decision of the Agency must be published in the **Federal Register** (49 CFR 381.315(b)) with the reasons for denying or granting the application and, if granted, the name of the person or class of persons receiving the exemption, and the regulatory provision from which the exemption is granted. The notice must also specify the effective period (up to 5 years) and explain the terms and conditions of the exemption. The exemption may be renewed (49 CFR 381.300(b)).

## III. Applicant’s Request

Ronnie Brown III requests a five-year exemption from the Federal hours of service (HOS) regulations including the following sections: § 395.3(a)(1), (10 consecutive hour off-duty time requirement); § 395.3(a)(3)(i), (11-hour driving limit); § 395.3(a)(2), (14-hour “driving window”), § 395.3(b)(1) and (2); (respectively, 60 hour in 7 day and 70 hour in 8-day limits) and the electronic logging device (ELD) regulations in 49 CFR part 395 subpart B. Mr. Brown has been operating commercial motor vehicles for over 15 years. The requested exemption is solely for the applicant, who states that the HOS regulations present “safety concerns” and are a “one size fits all set of rules.” He further adds that the ELD and HOS regulations are a “control mechanism by the government” and a violation of his “constitutional right to free movement.” He states he “can safely drive . . . no matter the amount of sleep [he] get[s] or the length of drive time.”

A copy of Ronnie Brown III’s application for exemption is included in the docket for this notice.

## IV. Request for Comments

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315(b), FMCSA requests public comment from all interested persons on Ronnie Brown III’s application for an exemption from various provisions in the Federal HOS and ELD regulations in 49 CFR part 395. All comments received before the close of business on the comment closing date indicated at the beginning of this notice will be considered and will be available for examination in the docket at the location listed under the Addresses section of this notice. Comments received after the comment closing date will be filed in the public docket and will be considered to the extent practicable. In addition to late comments, FMCSA will continue to file, in the public docket, relevant information that becomes available after the comment closing date. Interested persons should continue to examine the public docket for new material.

**Larry W. Minor,**

*Associate Administrator for Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2022–0064]

### Request for Information for the Interstate Rail Compacts Program

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Request for information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** On November 5, 2021, President Biden signed into law the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The BIL provides historic appropriations for the railroad transportation grant programs administered by FRA and authorizes new programs to enhance rail safety and to repair, restore, improve, and expand the nation’s rail network. A new program established under the BIL is the Interstate Rail Compacts Grant Program (the Program), which provides financial assistance to existing interstate rail compacts (IRCs) to strengthen their capability to advance intercity passenger rail service within their regions. The BIL requires the Secretary of Transportation to establish the Program; this responsibility is delegated to FRA. In this RFI, FRA seeks comments on the Program.

**DATES:** Written comments on this RFI must be received on or before September 19, 2022. FRA will consider comments filed after this date to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to docket number FRA–2022–0064 and be submitted at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Search by using the docket number and follow the instructions for submitting comments.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the agency name and docket number (FRA–2022–0064) for this RFI.

*Note:* All comments received, including any personal information, will be posted without change to the docket and will be accessible to the public at <https://www.regulations.gov>. You should not include information in your comment that you do not want to be made public. Input submitted online via <https://www.regulations.gov> is not immediately posted to the site. It may take several business days before your submission is posted.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information related to this RFI, please contact Wynne Davis, Supervisory Transportation Analyst, Program Development and Strategy Division, by email: [Wynne.Davis@dot.gov](mailto:Wynne.Davis@dot.gov) or by telephone: 202–493–6122.