

Rail measures	Unit measure	Measurement period	Measurement frequency	Primary administration priority	Secondary administration priority	Description
Slow Order Miles	Miles .....	.....	Quarterly	Workforce Development, Job Quality, and Wealth Creation.	Safety	The number of miles per quarter within the project area that have temporary speed restrictions ("slow orders") imposed due to track condition. This is an indicator of the overall condition of track. This measure can be used for projects to rehabilitate sections of a rail line since the rehabilitation should eliminate, or at least reduce the slow orders upon project completion.
Gross Ton	Gross Tons .....	.....	Quarterly	Workforce Development, Job Quality, and Wealth Creation.	.....	The annual gross tonnage of freight shipped in the project area. Gross tons include freight cargo minus tare weight of the rail cars. This measures the volume of freight a railroad ships in a year. This measure can be useful for projects that are anticipated to increase freight shipments.
Rail Track Grade Separation.	Count .....	.....	Quarterly	Workforce Development, Job Quality, and Wealth Creation.	Safety	The number of automobile crossings that are eliminated at an at-grade crossing as a result of a new grade separation.
Equity in Contracting	Count of small businesses contracted.	Duration of the Project Performance Period.	Annual	Equity .....	.....	Contracting with socially disadvantaged business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms (each a "Small Business") for the Project].
Justice40	Health, environmental and other benefits.	Duration of the Project Performance Period and/or Beyond.	Annual	Environmental Justice.	Public Health	Any benefits the project is expected to deliver to improve the health, safety, environment and/or well-being of disadvantaged communities.
Fuel Savings/Emissions.	Gallons .....	.....	Annual	Climate Change and Sustainability.	.....	The total gallons of fuel saved as a result of rehabilitating, remanufacturing, procuring, or overhauling locomotives.

e. Program Evaluation

As a condition of grant award, grantees may be required to participate in an evaluation undertaken by DOT, or another agency or partner. The evaluation may take different forms such as an implementation assessment across grant recipients, an impact and/or outcomes analysis of all or selected sites within or across grantee, or a benefit/cost analysis or assessment of return on investment. The Department may require applicants to collect data elements to aid the evaluation. As a part of the evaluation, as a condition of award, grantee must agree to: (1) make records available to the evaluation contractor; (2) provide access to program records, and any other relevant documents to calculate costs and benefits; (3) in the case of an impact analysis, facilitate the access to relevant information as requested; and (4) follow evaluation procedures as specified by the evaluation contractor or DOT staff.

G. Federal Awarding Agency Contacts

For further information concerning this notice, please contact the FRA NOFO Support program staff via email at FRA-NOFO-Support@dot.gov. If additional assistance is needed, you may contact Mr. Bryan Rodda in FRA's Office of Amtrak and Northeast Corridor Program Delivery by email at

Bryan.Rodda@dot.gov or telephone: 202-557-0206; or Mr. Sergio Coronado in FRA's Office of Rail Program Development by email at Sergio.Coronado@dot.gov or telephone: 617-571-1213.

H. Other Information

All information submitted as part of or in support of any application shall use publicly available data or data that can be made public and methodologies that are accepted by industry practice and standards, to the extent possible. If the application includes information the applicant considers to be a trade secret or confidential commercial or financial information, the applicant should do the following: (1) Note on the front cover that the submission "Contains Confidential Business Information (CBI)"; (2) mark each affected page "CBI"; and (3) highlight or otherwise denote the CBI portions.

The DOT regulations implementing the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) are found at 49 CFR part 7 subpart C—Availability of Reasonably Described Records under the Freedom of Information Act which sets forth rules for FRA to make requested materials, information, and records publicly available under the FOIA. Unless prohibited by law and to the extent permitted under the FOIA, contents of application and proposals submitted by

successful applicants may be released in response to FOIA requests. In addition, following the completion of the selection process and announcement of awards, FRA may publish a list of all applications received along with the names of the applicant organizations and funding amounts requested. Except for information withheld under the previous paragraph, FRA may also make application narratives publicly available or share application information within DOT or with other Federal agencies if FRA determines that sharing is relevant to the respective program's objectives.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Hazardous Materials: Notice of Applications for New Special Permits

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: List of applications for special permits.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation’s Hazardous Material Regulations, notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 14, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Record Center, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of

comments is desired, include a self-addressed stamped postcard showing the special permit number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald Burger, Chief, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety General Approvals and Permits Branch, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building, PHH–13, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington, DC 20590–0001, (202) 366–4535.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each mode of transportation for which a particular special permit is requested is indicated by a number in the “Nature of Application” portion of the table below

as follows: 1—Motor vehicle, 2—Rail freight, 3—Cargo vessel, 4—Cargo aircraft only, 5—Passenger-carrying aircraft.

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, East Building, PHH–13, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington DC.

This notice of receipt of applications for special permit is published in accordance with part 107 of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5117(b); 49 CFR 1.53(b)).

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Donald P. Burger,
Chief, General Approvals and Permits Branch.

SPECIAL PERMITS DATA

Application No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of the special permits thereof
21750–N	New Leaf, LLC	173.54(a), 173.54(d), 173.301, 172.401, 173.166.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain safety devices from storage facilities to facilities engaged in recycling or other disposition of the safety devices. (modes 1, 2)
21751–N	New Pig Corporation	172.600, 172.700(a), 172.400, 172.200, 172.300, 173.185(c)(1)(iii), 173.185(f).	To authorize the manufacture, mark, sale, and use of specialized metal drums for the transportation in commerce of the damaged, defective, or recalled lithium cells and batteries, including those contained in equipment or packed with equipment, using alternative hazard communication and where more than one battery may be present in the package. (modes 1, 2)
21756–N	BNSF Railway Company	172.203(c)(2)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of materials identified in the 172.101 Hazardous Substance List as being a “reportable quantity” when a reportable quantity of the substance is not present with a package. (mode 2)
21757–N	BNSF Railway Company	174.85	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain hazardous materials via rail with a reduced number of buffer cars. (mode 2)
21762–N	Ancon Marine	172.301(c), 173.12(b)(3), 176.84.	To authorize the transportation of various waste cyanide lab packs. (mode 1)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Hazardous Materials: Notice of Actions on Special Permits

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of actions on special permit applications.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of

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