

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Transit Administration****Limitation on Claims Against Proposed Public Transportation Projects—Austin Light Rail Phase 1 Project, Austin, Travis County, Texas, and 175 Park Ave Project, New York, New York**

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces final environmental actions taken by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regarding two projects: the Austin Light Rail Phase 1 Project in Austin, Texas; and 175 Park Avenue Project in New York, New York. The purpose of this notice is to publicly announce FTA's environmental decisions on the subject projects, and to activate the limitation on any claims that may challenge these final environmental actions.

**DATES:** A claim seeking judicial review of FTA actions announced herein for the listed public transportation projects will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before June 25, 2026.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathryn Loster, Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel, (202) 360–2322, or Saadat Khan, Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Environmental Policy and Programs, (202) 366–6385. FTA is located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that FTA has taken final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l) by issuing certain approvals for the public transportation projects listed below. The actions on the projects, as well as the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the documentation issued in connection with the project to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and in other documents in the FTA environmental project files for the project. Interested parties may contact either the project sponsor or the relevant FTA Regional Office for more information. Contact information for FTA's Regional Offices may be found at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/about/regional-offices/regional-offices>.

This notice applies to all FTA decisions on the listed projects as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including, but not limited to, NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321–4347), Section 4(f)

requirements (49 U.S.C. 303), Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (54 U.S.C. 200305), Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. 306108), the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251), the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (42 U.S.C. 4601), and the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q). This notice does not, however, alter or extend the limitation period for challenges of project decisions subject to previous notices published in the **Federal Register**. The project actions that are the subject of this notice follow:

1. *Project name and location:* Austin Light Rail Phase 1 Project (Austin Project), Austin, Travis County, Texas.

*Project Sponsor:* Austin Transit Partnership, Austin, Texas.

*Project description:* The Austin Project includes construction of approximately 9.8-miles of new light rail transit (LRT) beginning at the intersection of Guadalupe Street and 38th Street, continuing south through downtown Austin before crossing Lady Bird Lake on a new dedicated LRT bridge. South of Lady Bird Lake, the corridor splits into two branches with one continuing further south along South Congress Avenue to Oltorf Street and the other extending east along East Riverside Drive, ending just west of State Highway 71. The Austin Project also includes the construction of 15 new stations, an operations and maintenance facility, one maintenance of way shop, and three park and ride facilities.

*Final agency action:* Section 4(f) use determination, dated January 7, 2026; Section 6(f) use determination, dated January 7, 2026; Section 106 Programmatic Agreement, dated January 7, 2026; and Austin Light Rail Phase 1 Combined Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)/Record of Decision (ROD), dated January 16, 2026.

*Supporting documentation:* Austin Light Rail Phase 1 Combined FEIS/ROD, dated January 16, 2026, and Austin Light Rail Phase 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), dated January 10, 2025. The Combined FEIS/ROD, DEIS, and supporting documents can be viewed and downloaded from: <https://www.atptx.org/milestones/atp-releases-final-environmental-impact-statement-record-of-decision>.

2. *Project name and location:* 175 Park Avenue Project (New York Project), New York, New York.

*Project sponsor:* Commodore Owner LLC.

*Project description:* The New York Project would redevelop 175 Park Avenue, located adjacent to Grand

Central Terminal in New York, New York. The New York Project includes the leasehold acquisition of the site, demolition of the existing hotel, and construction of a new, mixed-use office and hotel building with retail, public space, and large-scale transit and public concourse improvements.

*Final agency action:* Section 106 No Adverse Effect determination, dated October 16, 2025; Section 4(f) no use determination, dated October 16, 2025; 175 Park Avenue Project Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), dated January 9, 2026.

*Supporting documentation:* 175 Park Avenue Environmental Assessment (EA), dated October 16, 2025. The EA, and associated documents can be viewed and downloaded from: <https://175parkproject.nyc>.

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

**Megan Blum,**

*Deputy Associate Administrator for Planning and Environment.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

[Docket No. PHMSA–2026–0133]

**Best Practices Webinar Series Presented by the National Center of Excellence for Liquefied Natural Gas Safety**

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of public webinar.

**SUMMARY:** The National Center of Excellence for Liquefied Natural Gas Safety (National LNG Center) will host a series of informational webinars on best practices for LNG safety, titled “Prioritizing Safety: Best Practices in LNG.” The webinars are free, will be hosted virtually, and will require advance registration. The series will be held monthly using Zoom. Each webinar will be one hour in length and will be recorded. The National LNG Center will provide electronic access to all materials, including recordings, transcripts, and presentations, after conclusion of each webinar. The webinars will cover a different best practice each session.

**DATES:** The first informational webinar will be held in February 2026. Subsequent webinar dates will be announced and posted as they become

available at <https://primis-meetings.phmsa.dot.gov>, along with additional information about these informational webinars, including how to register.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Meeting Location, Presentation Format:* This webinar series of LNG best practices will be held virtually. Visit <https://service.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOTPHMSA/subscriber/new> to sign up and receive notifications of the LNG best practices webinar dates. Recordings and transcripts will be posted following each webinar. Links will be provided on the PHMSA Public Meetings page, which can be found at <https://primis-meetings.phmsa.dot.gov>. Links will also be available on the National LNG Center website, located at <https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/lng/national-center-of-excellence-for-lng-safety>.

*Submitting Comments:* You may submit general questions and comments identified by Docket No. PHMSA–2026–0133 using any of the following methods:

*E-Gov Website:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. This site allows the public to enter comments on any **Federal Register** notice issued by any agency. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

*Mail:* Docket Management System: U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

*Hand Delivery:* U.S. DOT Docket Management System: West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

*Fax:* 1–202–493–2251.

*Instructions:* Please include docket number PHMSA–2026–0133 at the beginning of your comments. If you submit your comments by mail, submit two copies. If you wish to receive confirmation that PHMSA received your comments, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Internet users may submit comments at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

**Note:** Comments are posted without changes or edits to <https://www.regulations.gov> including any personal information provided. There is a privacy statement published on <https://www.regulations.gov>.

*Privacy Act:* DOT solicits comments from the public regarding certain general notices. DOT posts these comments without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <https://www.regulations.gov> as described in the system of records

notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.dot.gov/privacy>.

*Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket. Alternatively, you may review the documents in person at the street address listed above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Sentho White, Director of the National Center of Excellence for Liquefied Natural Gas Safety, by phone at 202–366–2415 or by email at [LNGCenter@dot.gov](mailto:LNGCenter@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National LNG Center is required by section 111(d) of the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety (PIPES) Act of 2020 (Pub. L. 116–260) to “further[] the expertise of the Federal Government in the operations, management, and regulatory practices of LNG facilities through . . . increased communication with LNG experts to learn and support state-of-the-art operational practices,” and to “act[] as a repository of information on best practices for the operation of LNG facilities.”

The National LNG Center will use the best practices webinars to promote information-sharing between LNG industry stakeholders, supporting continuous improvements in LNG facility safety and operational performance while complementing minimum regulatory requirements. The best practices include—but are not limited to—LNG facility management, fire protection and safety, operations, maintenance, system/process design, and other leading industry practices. The best practices may be implemented by various LNG facility types, including—but not limited to—baseload facilities (import/export terminals), peak shavers, satellite, temporary/mobile, transportation fuel, and bunkering.

Identified best practices can be applied in the form of a procedure, technique, process, program, consensus standard, or recommended practice and may merit consideration by organizations for implementation because they have demonstrated value in improving safety or reliability; in offering superior performance beyond compliance; or in introducing innovative methods to enhance effectiveness. Delivering these practices via webinars enables a formal process of sharing information with LNG

stakeholders.<sup>1</sup> Webinars also facilitate broad outreach, interactive questions and answers, and subsequent measurement of impact.

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**Linda Daugherty,**

*Acting Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

[Docket No. PHMSA–2025–0013]

**Pipeline Safety: Request for Special Permit**

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA); U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** PHMSA is publishing this notice to solicit public comments on a request for special permit received from Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC (AGT). The special permit request is seeking relief from compliance with certain requirements in the Federal pipeline safety regulations. At the conclusion of the 30-day comment period, PHMSA will review the comments received from this notice as part of its evaluation to grant or deny the special permit request.

**DATES:** Submit any comments regarding this special permit request by February 25, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should reference the docket number for this special permit request and may be submitted in the following ways:

- *E-Gov Website:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. This site allows the public to enter comments on any **Federal Register** notice issued by any agency.
- *Fax:* 1–202–493–2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Management System: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

<sup>1</sup> LNG sector stakeholders, as defined in section 111 of the PIPES Act of 2020, are defined as Federal regulatory agencies of jurisdiction, LNG facilities operating in the United States, State governments, Indian tribes, units of local government, post-secondary educational institutions, labor organizations, and safety organizations.