

• *Originating Office:* Bureau of Management (M/EX), Office of Language Services (LS).

- *Form Number:* DS-7651.
- *Respondents:* General public applying for translator and/or interpreter contract positions.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,000.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,000.
- *Average Time per Response:* 30 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 500 annual hours.
- *Frequency:* On occasion.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

The information collected is needed to ascertain whether respondents are valid interpreting and/or translating candidates, based on their work history and legal work status in the United States. If candidates successfully become contractors for the U.S. Department of State, Office of Language Services, the information collected is used to initiate security clearance background checks and for processing payment vouchers. Respondents are typically members of the general public with varying degrees of experience in the fields of interpreting and/or translating.

Methodology

The Office of Language Services makes the "Office of Language Services Contractor Application Form" (DS-7651) available on the Department of State forms site, <https://eforms.state.gov>.

Respondents can submit the form via email.

Ihab M. Ali,

Director (Acting), Office of Language Services, Department of State.

[FR Doc. 2026-09528 Filed 5-12-26; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4710-24-P

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36922]

OmniTRAX Holdings Combined, Inc., and HGS Railway Holdings, Inc.—Control Exemption—Arkansas Short Line Railroads, Inc. (d/b/a Dardanelle and Russellville Railroad), Camden & Southern Railroad, Inc., and Ouachita Railroad, Inc.

OmniTRAX Holdings Combined, Inc. (OmniTRAX) and HGS Railway Holdings, Inc. (HGS) (together, Omni-HGS),¹ both noncarriers, have filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2) to acquire control of three Class III railroads: Arkansas Short Line Railroads, Inc. (d/b/a Dardanelle and Russellville Railroad (DR)), and DR's two Class III rail carrier subsidiaries, Camden & Southern Railroad, Inc. (CSR), and Ouachita Railroad, Inc. (OUCH) (collectively, Target Carriers).

According to the verified notice, the proposed transaction will occur through OmniTRAX's wholly owned noncarrier subsidiary, ASL Acquisition, LLC, which will acquire 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of DR pursuant to a Stock Purchase Agreement dated February 19, 2026, as amended on April 2, 2026.² Upon consummation, Omni-HGS will obtain indirect control of CSR and OUCH.

The verified notice states that none of the existing Omni-HGS-controlled railroads connect to any of the Target Carriers. Further, according to the verified notice, the transaction: (1) would not connect any of the Omni-HGS carriers with each other, connect any of the Target Carriers with each other, or connect any Omni-HGS carrier to any of the Target Carriers; (2) is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect these

¹ According to the verified notice, OmniTRAX and HGS are under joint managerial and operational control, and together they exercise control over numerous Class III rail carriers through affiliated holding company entities.

² Public and confidential versions of the Stock Purchase Agreement dated February 19, 2026, and the First Amendment dated April 2, 2026, were filed with the verified notice. The confidential version was submitted under seal concurrently with a motion for protective order, which is addressed in a separate decision.

carriers with each other; and (3) no Class I carrier is involved in the transaction. Therefore, the proposed transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

The earliest the transaction may be consummated is May 27, 2026, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. However, 49 U.S.C. 11326(c) does not provide for labor protection for transactions under 49 U.S.C. 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions to stay must be filed no later than May 20, 2026 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

All pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36922, should be filed with the Surface Transportation Board via e-filing on the Board's website. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Omni-HGS' representative, Robert A. Wimbish, Fletcher & Sippel LLC, 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60606-3208.

According to Omni-HGS, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic preservation reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b).

Board decisions and notices are available at www.stb.gov.

Decided: May 7, 2026.

By the Board, Anika S. Cooper, Chief Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel.

Aretha Laws-Byrum,
Clearance Clerk.

[FR Doc. 2026-09453 Filed 5-12-26; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4915-01-P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on Proposed Highway in Tennessee

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of limitation on claims for judicial review of actions by FHWA and other Federal agencies.

SUMMARY: This notice announces action taken by FHWA and other Federal agencies that are final. The actions relate to a proposed highway project, State Route (SR) 66, from SR-34 (US-11E, Andrew Johnson Highway) in Bulls Gap to near Speedwell Road/Old Highway 66, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, for approximately 5.70 miles. The FHWA's Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) provides details on the Selected Alternative for the proposed improvements.

DATES: By this notice, 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 listed highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before October 13, 2026. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For FHWA: Jacinda Russell, Field Operations & Engineering Team Leader; FHWA, Tennessee Division Office; 404 BNA Drive, Building 200, Suite 508, Nashville, Tennessee 37217; (615) 781-5770; Jacinda.Russell@dot.gov. The FHWA, Tennessee Division Office's normal business hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Central Time). For the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT): Sharon Schutz, P.E., Environmental Division Director, TDOT; 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 14th Floor, Nashville, Tennessee, 37243; (615) 806-2914; Sharon.Schutz@tn.gov. The TDOT Environmental Division's normal business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Central Time).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that FHWA has taken final agency actions by issuing a FONSI for the following highway project in the State of Tennessee: widening and realignment of SR 66, from SR-34 (US-11E, Andrew Johnson Highway) in Bulls Gap to near Speedwell Road/Old Highway 66, in Hawkins County, Tennessee, PIN 107579.00. The project extends approximately 5.70 miles and includes widening the existing two-lane roadway to provide two 12-foot travel lanes with paved shoulders. The Build Alternative would generally follow the existing SR-66 alignment, with minor horizontal or vertical shifts in select locations to address existing geometric deficiencies. Project improvements also include an intermittent 12-foot two-way

left-turn lane, sidewalks, curb and gutter, and guardrail installed at various locations along the corridor.

The FHWA's actions, related actions by other Federal agencies, and the laws under which such actions were taken are described in the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project, approved on April 15, 2025, and the FONSI approved on October 17, 2025, and other documents in the project file. The EA and FONSI are available by contacting FHWA or TDOT at the addresses provided above. In addition, these documents can be viewed and downloaded from the <https://www.tn.gov/tdot/projects/projects-region-1/state-route-66.html>.

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. *General:* National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109, 128, and 139].

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

3. *Noise:* Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1970, Public Law 91-605 [84 Stat. 1713]; [23 U.S.C. 109(h) & (i)].

4. *Land:* Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [23 U.S.C. 138 and 49 U.S.C. 303]; Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) [54 U.S.C. 200302-200310].

5. *Wildlife:* Endangered Species Act (ESA) [16 U.S.C. 1531-1544 and Section 1536]; Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661-667(d)]; Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703-712].

6. *Historic and Cultural Resources:* Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [54 U.S.C. 306108 *et seq.*]; Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 [16 U.S.C. 470(aa)-470(mm)]; Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act [54 U.S.C. 312501-312508]; Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) [25 U.S.C. 3001-3013].

7. *Social and Economic:* American Indian Religious Freedom Act [42 U.S.C. 1996]; Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) [7 U.S.C. 4201-4209].

8. *Wetlands and Water Resources:* Clean Water Act (Section 319, Section 401, Section 404) [33 U.S.C. 1251-1387]; Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) [42 U.S.C. 300(f)-300(j)(26)]; Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 [33 U.S.C. 401-406]; Wild and Scenic Rivers Act [16 U.S.C. 1271-1287]; Emergency Wetlands Resources Act [16 U.S.C. 3921, 3931]; Wetlands Mitigation, [23 U.S.C. 119(g) and 133(b)(3)]; Flood

Disaster Protection Act [42 U.S.C. 4001-4131].

9. *Hazardous Materials:* Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) [42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*]; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) [42 U.S.C. 6901-6992(k)].

10. *Executive Orders:* E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; 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),

Issued on May 7, 2026.

Dysha Weems,

*Finance & Administration Team Leader,
Tennessee Division, Federal Highway
Administration.*

[FR Doc. 2026-09496 Filed 5-12-26; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4910-RY-P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2024-0200]

Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse Requirements; Driver Qualification Requirements; Waste Management Holdings, Inc.; Application for Exemptions

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of final disposition; grant in part and deny in part application for exemptions.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to grant in part and deny in part the exemption application from Waste Management Holdings, Inc. (WM) for a period of two years. FMCSA grants WM's request for limited relief from certain driver qualification requirements to allow WM to use the exception for a "single-employer driver" when it transfers drivers among affiliates. FMCSA also grants a limited exemption from the requirement for the driver to undergo controlled substances testing when being transferred among affiliates if the driver has participated in a WM