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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

OMB Control Number: 21XX-XXXX.

Title: Request for Comments; Clearance of a New Approval of Information Collection: Pilot Medical Disclosure Decision Making Model for Safety Risk Assessment Survey.

Form Numbers: n/a.

Type of Review: Clearance of a new information collection.

Background: The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on June 10, 2025 (90 FR 24487). The Office of Aerospace Medicine (AVS/AAM) is developing a pilot medical disclosure decision-making model to support current and future safety risk assessments. Following the Mental Health Aviation Rulemaking Committee's recommendation, AVS/AAM and the Office of Safety Standards (AFS) conducted a joint safety risk assessment on pilot medical non-disclosure. The assessment identified the need for a validated model of pilot medical disclosure decision-making to better estimate safety risks.

The survey will consist of approximately 50 questions pertaining to the behavioral and decisions motivation behind medical disclosure. The survey's anticipated completion time is 10–25 minutes. The findings will lead to a final report with a peer-reviewed manuscript submission to a targeted journal.

Respondents: Career Pilots; Part 121 pilots. Qualtrics FedRamp Online Survey.

Frequency: One-time response.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 10–25 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 584 total annual burden hours.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2010–0029]

Amtrak's Request To Amend Its Positive Train Control Safety Plan and Positive Train Control System

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

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This document provides the public with notice that on November 14, 2025, as supplemented on January 5, 2026, the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) submitted a request for amendment (RFA) to one of its FRA-approved Positive Train Control Safety Plans (PTCSP) and Type Approval. As this RFA involves a request for FRA's approval of proposed material modifications to an FRA-certified positive train control (PTC) system, FRA is publishing this notice and inviting public comment on Amtrak's RFA.

DATES: FRA will consider comments received by February 2, 2026. FRA may consider comments received after that date to the extent practicable and without delaying implementation of valuable or necessary modifications to a PTC system.

ADDRESSES: *Comments:* Comments may be submitted by going to <https://www.regulations.gov> and following the online instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and the applicable docket number. The relevant PTC docket number for this host railroad is Docket No. FRA–2010–0029. For convenience, all active PTC dockets are hyperlinked on FRA's website at <https://railroads.dot.gov/research-development/program-areas/train-control/ptc/railroads-ptc-dockets>. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>; this includes any personal information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gabe Neal, Staff Director, Signal, Train

Control, and Crossings Division, telephone: 816–516–7168, email: Gabe.Neal@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In general, title 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) section 20157(h) requires FRA to certify that a host railroad's PTC system complies with title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 236, subpart I, before the technology may be operated in revenue service. Before making certain changes to an FRA-certified PTC system or the associated FRA-approved PTCSP, a host railroad must submit, and obtain FRA's approval of, an RFA to its PTCSP under 49 CFR 236.1021.

Under 49 CFR 236.1021(e), FRA's regulations provide that FRA will publish a notice in the **Federal Register** and invite public comment in accordance with 49 CFR part 211, if an RFA includes a request for approval of a material modification of a signal or train control system. Accordingly, this notice informs the public that, on November 14, 2025, as supplemented on January 5, 2026, Amtrak submitted an RFA to its PTCSP and Type Approval for its Advanced Civil Speed Enforcement System II (ACSES II). Amtrak seeks FRA's approval to deploy new PTC system hardware and software to support system reliability improvements, as further described in its RFA. That RFA is available in Docket No. FRA–2010–0029.

Interested parties are invited to comment on Amtrak's RFA by submitting written comments or data. During FRA's review of Amtrak's RFA, FRA will consider any comments or data submitted within the timeline specified in this notice and to the extent practicable, without delaying implementation of valuable or necessary modifications to a PTC system. *See* 49 CFR 236.1021; *see also* 49 CFR 236.1011(e). Under § 236.1021, FRA maintains the authority to approve, approve with conditions, or deny a railroad's RFA to its PTCSP at FRA's sole discretion.

Privacy Act Notice

In accordance with § 211.3, FRA solicits comments from the public to better inform its decisions. 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.transportation.gov/privacy>. *See* <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). To facilitate comment tracking, we encourage commenters to

provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is optional. If you wish to provide comments containing proprietary or confidential information, please contact FRA for alternate submission instructions.

Issued in Washington, DC.

Carolyn R. Hayward-Williams,

Director, Office of Railroad Systems and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA-2000-7257, Notice No. 98]

Railroad Safety Advisory Committee; Charter Reestablishment

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

ACTION: Announcement of charter reestablishment of the Railroad Safety Advisory Committee (RSAC).

SUMMARY: FRA announces the charter reestablishment of the RSAC, a Federal Advisory Committee established by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act to provide information, advice, and recommendations to the FRA Administrator on matters relating to railroad safety. This charter renewal will be effective for two years from the date it is filed with Congress.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Phil Sung, Acting RSAC Coordinator, philip.sung@dot.gov, 916-224-8826, or Monique Ferguson Stewart, Executive Officer, Office of Program Management, Office of Railroad Safety, monique.stewart@dot.gov, 202-689-4313.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. ch. 10). RSAC comprises 25 representatives from 21 organizations, representing various rail industry perspectives. The composition of the committee ensures the requisite range of views and expertise necessary to discharge its responsibilities. Please see the RSAC website for additional information at <https://rsac.fra.dot.gov/>.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Docket No.: DOT-OST-2025-2085]

Transportation Research and Development Strategic Plan; Request for Information

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R), U.S. Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Request for Information (RFI).

SUMMARY: 49 U.S.C. 6503 requires that the Secretary of Transportation develop a 5-year transportation research and development strategic plan to guide future Federal transportation research and development activities. The statute states that the strategic plan shall describe how the plan furthers the primary purpose of the transportation research and development program. The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R) invites the public and transportation system stakeholders to provide comments to inform the development of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT or Department) Research, Development, and Technology (RD&T) Strategic Plan for fiscal years (FY) 2026-2030. We welcome the views of the transportation research community on the Department's research vision, strategic goals, and priorities, and how our research programs can advance the transportation system of the present and future.

DATES: Comments are due by February 12, 2026. DOT will consider comments filed after this date to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted by email or U.S. mail. Respondents are encouraged to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt. Please include your name, title, organization, postal address, telephone number, and email address.

• **Electronic Submission:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search by using the docket number (provided above). Follow the instructions for sending comments.

• **Email:** rdtplan@dot.gov. Include the docket number in the subject line of the message. Please include the full body of your comments in the text of the electronic message and as an attachment.

• **Mail:** U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, West Building 5th Floor, Room W58-213, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

• **Instructions:** All submissions must include the agency name and docket numbers.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gina Filosa, U.S. DOT Volpe Center, 617-494-3452, rdtplan@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: 49 U.S.C. Chapter 65 outlines the following primary purposes of transportation research:

- Improving mobility of people and goods
- Reducing congestion
- Promoting safety
- Improving the durability and extending the life of transportation infrastructure
- Preserving the environment
- Preserving the existing transportation system
- Reducing transportation cybersecurity risks

In addition to the outlined primary transportation research purposes, the Department's Strategic Plan also guides the Department's research priorities, objectives, and strategies.

To align its research strategy and programs with the Department's goals, the DOT is developing a new RD&T Strategic Plan for FY 2026-2030. OST-R invites the public to provide comments to inform the development of the 5-year strategic plan for transportation RD&T. Comments should regard appropriate RD&T activities to meet the purposes and considerations listed above and/or emerging RD&T challenges, opportunities, and priorities that DOT RD&T should address over the next five years. In particular, comments may respond to any or all of the following questions:

1. How should DOT prioritize and invest in research activities over the next five years? Over the next 25 years?

2. What types of research activities should DOT undertake to meet its strategic goals?

3. What key social, demographic, economic, technological, and/or other trends influence transportation today and into the future?

4. What emerging challenges or opportunities or knowledge gaps in transportation warrant additional DOT RD&T activities or investments?

5. How can DOT best lead and coordinate its RD&T activities with Federal, State, local, tribal and territorial governments, the private sector, non-profit institutions, and international partners?

6. How can DOT best use its research portfolio to develop national standards that can drive interoperability across the multimodal transportation system?

7. What activities should DOT adopt to facilitate deployment of DOT research results into the U.S. transportation system?