

## 2. Project (Study) Information

This section contains background information about the project (study): title, proposed scope of work, map of the study corridor (map attachment to SF 424 application is required), descriptions of the corridor, project budget allocated into major tasks, including the source of local match, and time-line for beginning and ending the major tasks.

## 3. Evaluation Criteria

This section contains information for direct use in the evaluation process: demonstrated need, advancing livability, and study approach and outcomes.

### C. Submission Dates and Times

Complete proposals for the Alternatives Analysis program must be submitted electronically through GRANTS.GOV by 11:59 p.m. EDT on April 19, 2012. Proposers are encouraged to begin the process of registration on the GRANTS.GOV site well in advance of the submission deadline. Registration is a multi-step process, which may take several weeks to complete before a proposal can be submitted. Registered proposers may still be required to take steps to keep their registration up to date before submissions can be made successfully: (1) registration in the Central Contractor Repository (CCR) is renewed annually and (2) persons making submissions on behalf of the Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) must be authorized in GRANTS.GOV by the AOR to make submissions.

## IV. Award Administration

### A. Award Notices

At the time the project (study) selections are announced, FTA will extend pre-award authority for the selected projects awarded to current grantees. There is no blanket pre-award authority for these projects before announcement.

### B. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

#### 1. Grant Requirements

If selected, applicants will apply for a grant through TEAM and adhere to the customary FTA grant requirements of the Section 5339 Alternatives Analysis program, including those of FTA Circular 9300.1B, Circular 5010.1D, and the labor protections of 49 U.S.C. Section 5333(b). These grants will be administered and managed by the FTA regional offices. The Alternatives Analysis must be documented in the Unified Planning Work Program

(UPWP) of the MPO for the area before these funds can be used. All discretionary grants, regardless of award amount, will be subject to the Congressional Notification and release process. Technical assistance regarding these requirements is available from each FTA regional office.

#### 2. Standard Assurances

The applicant assures that it will comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal administrative requirements in carrying out any activity supported by the FTA grant. The applicant acknowledges that it is under a continuing obligation to comply with the terms and conditions of the grant agreement issued for its project with FTA. The applicant understands that Federal laws, regulations, policies, and administrative practices might be modified from time to time and may affect the implementation of the project. The applicant agrees that the most recent Federal requirements will apply to the project, unless FTA issues a written determination otherwise. The applicant must submit the Certifications and Assurances before receiving a grant if it does not have current certifications on file.

#### 3. Reporting

Post-award reporting requirements include submission of Federal Financial Reports and Milestone reports in TEAM on a quarterly basis for all projects. Documentation is required for payment. In addition, project sponsors receiving grants for innovative approaches may be required to report on the performance of these approaches.

## V. Agency Contacts and Technical Assistance

Contact the appropriate FTA Regional Office at <http://www.fta.dot.gov> for proposal-specific information and issues. For general program information, please use the contact identified in the front of this notice. During the application period, FTA may post answers to commonly asked questions about the Alternatives Analysis program at [www.fta.dot.gov/alternativesanalysis](http://www.fta.dot.gov/alternativesanalysis).

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**Peter Rogoff,**  
Administrator.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2012-0021]

### National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (NEMSAC); Correction to the Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Correction to notice of the National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council Meeting on March 29, 2012, to alter the start time from 1 p.m. EST to 10 a.m. EDT and to adjust other times from Eastern Standard Time to Eastern Daylight Time.

**SUMMARY:** NHTSA is issuing a correction to a published notice of a meeting of the NEMSAC to be held in the Metropolitan Washington, DC area on March 28-30, 2012. This notice announces the correct date, time, and location of the meeting, which will be open to the public. The purpose of NEMSAC is to provide a nationally recognized council of emergency medical services (EMS) representatives and consumers to provide advice and recommendations regarding EMS to DOT's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

**DATES:** The NEMSAC meeting will take place over two and a half days and be held on

- Wednesday March 28, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT;
- Thursday March 29, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT; and
- Friday March 30, 2012, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. EDT.

NEMSAC committees will meet from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. EDT on March 29, 2012. Public comment periods will be scheduled throughout the day of March 28, 2012, as well as from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EDT on March 29, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held on the 8th floor of the FHI 360 Conference Center at 1825 Connecticut Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20009.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Drew Dawson, Director, U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., NTI-140, Washington, DC 20590, telephone number (202) 366-9966; email [Drew.Dawson@dot.gov](mailto:Drew.Dawson@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.). NEMSAC will meet on March 28-30,

2012, at the FHI 360 Conference Center at 1825 Connecticut Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20009.

### Agenda of National EMS Advisory Council Meeting, March 28–30, 2012

The tentative agenda includes the following:

*Wednesday, March 28, 2012*

- (1) Opening Remarks
- (2) History and Overview of the EMS Education Agenda for the Future
- (3) Panel Discussion #1—Successes and Challenges in Implementing the Current Agenda
- (4) Panel Discussion #2—Opportunities and Challenges in Revising the Agenda
- (5) Panel Discussion #3—The Process to Revise the Agenda
- (6) Next Steps

*Thursday, March 29, 2012*

- (1) Opening Remarks
- (2) Review and Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting
- (3) Update from NHTSA Office of EMS
- (4) Federal Partner Update
- (5) Request for Input from the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS (FICEMS)
- (6) Presentations from NEMSAC Committees
- (7) Public Comment Period

*Friday, March 30, 2012*

- (1) Deliberations of Committee Documents
- (2) Discussion of New and Emerging Issues
- (3) Unfinished Business/Continued Discussion from Previous Day
- (4) Next Steps and Adjourn

Public comment periods will be scheduled throughout the day of March 28, 2012, as well as from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EDT on March 29, 2012. Written comments or requests to make oral presentations must be received by March 21, 2012, by emailing [nemsac@dot.gov](mailto:nemsac@dot.gov). In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 5 minutes.

**Public Attendance:** This meeting will be open to the public. There will not be a teleconference option for this meeting. Individuals wishing to attend must register online at [www.regonline.com/NEMSAC](http://www.regonline.com/NEMSAC) no later than March 26, 2012.

Minutes of the NEMSAC Meeting will be available to the public online through [www.EMS.gov](http://www.EMS.gov).

Issued on: March 6, 2012.

**Jeffrey P. Michael,**

*Associate Administrator for Research and Program Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

**[Docket No. AB 6 (Sub–No. 479X)]**

#### **BNSF Railway Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Page and Fremont Counties, Iowa**

On February 21, 2012, BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon a 5.95-mile rail line between milepost 20.05 in Shenandoah and milepost 26.0 in Farragut, in Page and Fremont Counties, Iowa.<sup>1</sup> The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 51601, 51602, 51603, and 51639, and includes the station of Farragut.

According to BNSF, the line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in BNSF's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, In Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuance of this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by June 8, 2012.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each OFA must be accompanied by a \$1,500 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

All interested persons should be aware that, following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the line, the line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than April 2, 2012. Each trail use request must be accompanied

<sup>1</sup> BNSF states that there is one customer on the line, Green Plains Shenandoah LLC (GPS). After abandonment, BNSF intends to convert a portion of the line between mileposts 20.05 and 21.90 to industry track and sell the track to GPS to stage trains.

by a \$250 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to Docket No. AB 6 (Sub–No. 479X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423–0001; and (2) Karl Morell, Suite 225, 655 15th Street NW., Washington, DC 20005. Replies to the petition are due on or before April 2, 2012.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs and Compliance at (202) 245–0238 or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR pt. 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) at (202) 245–0305. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.]

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by OEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its presentation. Other interested persons may contact OEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA generally will be within 30 days of its service.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at [www.stb.dot.gov](http://www.stb.dot.gov).

Decided: March 6, 2012.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell,  
Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Jeffrey Herzig,**

*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### **Open Meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee on Insurance**

**AGENCY:** Departmental Offices, Treasury.  
**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the proposed topics to be discussed for a meeting of the Department of the Treasury's Federal Advisory Committee on Insurance. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. The FACI will convene its first meeting on Friday,