

Department regulations provide that individuals whose valid or potentially valid U.S. passports were lost or stolen must report the lost or stolen passport to the Department of State before receiving a new passport so that the lost or stolen passport can be invalidated (22 CFR parts 50 and 51). The Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2002 (8 U.S.C. 1737) requires the Department of State to collect accurate information on lost or stolen U.S. passports and to enter that information into a data system. Form DS-64 collects information identifying the person who held the valid lost or stolen passport and describing the circumstances under which the passport was lost or stolen. As required by the cited authorities, we use the information collected to accurately identify the passport that must be invalidated and to make a record of the circumstances surrounding the lost or stolen passport.

Methodology

Passport bearers may submit the form on the Department of State's website, www.travel.state.gov, where it can be completed, signed, and submitted electronically. The DS-64 is also available at eforms.state.gov where it can be completed online and printed for signature and submission. Additionally, passport bearers have the option to call the National Passport Information Center (NPIC) at 1-877-487-2778 or mail in a hardcopy of the form. The form can be obtained at any passport agency or acceptance facility.

Amanda E. Smith,

Managing Director for Passport Support Operations, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Passport Services, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12456]

Determination Under the Trade Act of 1974, as Amended Extension of Waiver Authority

Pursuant to the authority vested in the President under the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, Public Law 93-618, 88 Stat. 1978 (hereinafter "the Act"), and assigned to the Secretary of State by virtue of section 1(a) of Executive Order 13346 of July 8, 2004, and delegated by Department of State Delegation of Authority 513, of April 7, 2021, I determine, pursuant to section 402(d)(1) of the Act, 19 U.S.C. 2432(d)(1), that the further extension of the waiver authority granted by section 402 of the Act will

substantially promote the objectives of section 402 of the Act. I further determine that continuation of the waiver applicable to Turkmenistan will substantially promote the objectives of section 402 of the Act.

This Determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: June 13, 2024.

Kurt M. Campbell,

Deputy Secretary of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. EP 775]

Growth in the Freight Rail Industry

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The Surface Transportation Board (Board) will hold a public hearing on September 16 and 17, 2024, to gather information about recent trends and strategies for growth in the freight rail industry. The Board requests the attendance of executive-level officials from the BNSF Railway Company, Canadian National Railway Company, Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited, CSX Transportation, Inc., Norfolk Southern Railway Company, and Union Pacific Railroad Company (collectively, "Class I railroads"). The Board also invites and welcomes testimony from industry analysts, other rail carriers, rail customers, rail suppliers, labor organizations, and other interested parties who can contribute to the Board's understanding of how the industry has grown and intends to grow in the future.

DATES: The hearing will be held on September 16 and 17, 2024, beginning at 9:30 a.m. ET each day, in the Hearing Room of the Board's headquarters and will be open for public observation. The hearing will also be available for public viewing on YouTube. Any person wishing to speak at the hearing must file with the Board a notice of intent to participate (identifying the party, proposed speaker, and amount of time requested) no later than August 14, 2024. In addition, written testimony from hearing participants, and written comments by any other interested persons, must be submitted by August 16, 2024.

ADDRESSES: The hearing will be held in the Hearing Room of the Board's headquarters, located at 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001. All filings must be submitted via e-filing on

the Board's website at www.stb.gov under the docket for EP 775, or in writing addressed to 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001. Filings will be posted to the Board's website and need not be served on the other hearing participants, written commenters, or any other party to the proceeding.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jonathon Binet at (202) 245-0368. If you require an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please call (202) 245-0245.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Freight rail is critically important to the nation's economy, and the Board has an interest in the health and growth of the industry and the need for rail customers to move their goods efficiently and reliably. On the subject of freight rail industry growth, while the Board recognizes that some shifts in volume may not be primarily within the control of rail carriers, the Board has observed that over the past ten years carload volumes have not grown, and have in fact decreased.¹ The Board wishes to explore how industry participants are strategizing and innovating to reverse this recent trend and achieve freight rail growth. For example, the Board is interested in the Class I railroads' short-, medium-, and long-term growth strategies, including investments, across traffic types. The Board would also like the perspective of short line railroads, who can present evidence of their own growth strategies. The Board is also interested in shippers' plans or desire for future use of rail, factors that may affect their shipment decisions, and what rail carriers are doing and can do to increase shippers' use of rail. This hearing presents a chance to discuss the opportunities for growth in the freight rail industry, as well as the challenges and effects associated with a failure to grow.

The Board will hold a public hearing to explore these topics on September 16 and 17, 2024, beginning at 9:30 a.m. ET each day, at its headquarters in Washington, DC. In addition to requesting the attendance of executive-level officials from the Class I railroads, the Board invites and welcomes testimony from industry analysts, other rail carriers, rail customers, rail suppliers, labor organizations, and other interested parties. Participation at the hearing will be limited to those who file notices of intent to participate, and the

¹ See Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Rail Freight Carloads, <https://fred.stlouisfed.org/series/RAILFRTCARLOADSDS11> (last updated June 12, 2024) (data collected by U.S. Dep't of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics).

Board will, in a subsequent decision, provide time limits for each speaker.

Board Releases and Transcript Availability: Decisions and notices of the Board, including this notice, are available on the Board's website at www.stb.gov. The Board will issue a separate notice containing the schedule of appearances. A transcript of the hearing will be posted on the Board's website once it is available.

It is ordered:

1. A public hearing will be held on September 16 and 17, 2024, beginning at 9:30 a.m. ET each day, in the Hearing Room of the Board's headquarters, located at 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001.

2. By August 14, 2024, any person wishing to speak at the hearing shall file with the Board a notice of intent to participate identifying the party, the proposed speaker(s), and the amount of time requested.

3. Written testimony from hearing participants and written comments from any other interested persons must be filed by August 16, 2024.

4. Filings will be posted to the Board's website and need not be served on any hearing participants or other commenters.

5. This decision is effective on its service date.

6. This decision will be published in the **Federal Register**.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Tammy Lowery,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[FAA Docket number: FAA-2024-1987]

NextGen Advisory Committee; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC).

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 22, 2024, from 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. ET. Requests to attend the meeting virtually must be received by August 15, 2024. Requests for accommodations for a disability must be received by August

15, 2024. Written materials requested to be reviewed by NAC Members before the meeting must be received no later than August 15, 2024.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591, with a virtual option. Virtual meeting information will be provided on the NAC internet website at least one week in advance of the meeting. Information on the NAC, including copies of previous meeting minutes, is available on the NAC internet website at https://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ang/nac/. Members of the public who wish to observe the meeting virtually or in-person must send the required information listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section to 9-AWA-ANG-NACRegistration@faa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kimberly Noonan, NAC Coordinator, U.S. Department of Transportation, at Kimberly.Noonan@faa.gov or 202-267-3760. Any requests or questions not regarding attendance registration should be sent to the person listed in this section.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Secretary of Transportation established the NAC under agency authority in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, Public Law 92-463, 5 U.S.C. ch. 10, to provide independent advice and recommendations to the FAA and to respond to specific taskings received directly from the FAA. The NAC recommends consensus-driven advice for FAA consideration relating to Air Traffic Management System modernization.

II. Agenda

At the meeting, the agenda will cover the following topics:

- NAC Chair's Report
- FAA Report
- NAC Subcommittee Chair's Report
 - Risk and Mitigations update for the following focus areas: Data Communications, Performance Based Navigation, Surface and Data Sharing, and Northeast Corridor
 - Interim Report and Status Update on NAC Tasking 23-2: National Airspace System (NAS) Airspace Efficiencies
 - Interim Report and Status Update on NAC Tasking 23-3: En Route Data Communication: Joint

Analysis Team Assessment

- NAC Chair Closing Comments

The detailed agenda will be posted on the NAC internet website at least one week in advance of the meeting.

III. Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public. Members of the public who wish to attend are asked to register via email by submitting their full legal name, country of citizenship, contact information (telephone number and email address), name of their industry association or applicable affiliation, and if they would like to attend the meeting in person or virtually. Please email this information to the email address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. When registration is confirmed, registrants who requested to attend virtually will be provided the virtual meeting information/teleconference call-in number and passcode. Callers are responsible for paying associated long-distance charges (if any).

Note: Only NAC Members, NAC working group members, and FAA staff who are providing briefings will have the ability to speak. All other attendees will be able to listen only.

The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to providing equal access to this meeting for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Any member of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time. Written statements submitted by the deadline will be provided to the NAC members before the meeting. Written statements must be submitted to the person listed under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Comments received after the due date listed in the **DATES** section will be distributed to the members but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 9th day of July 2024.

Kimberly Noonan,

Manager, Office of Stakeholder Collaboration, Management Services Office, ANG-A, Office of the Assistant Administrator for NextGen, Federal Aviation Administration.

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