

Requests for accommodations to a disability must be received by March 16, 2021.

Requests to speak during the meeting must be submitted by March 9, 2021 to DOT and include a written copy of their remarks. Registrants in the Zoom meeting room will have the opportunity to interact directly with committee members.

Requests to submit written materials to be reviewed during the meeting must be received by DOT no later than March 9, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** The March 23, 2021 meeting will be an internet-only meeting. No physical meeting is planned. Instructions on how to attend the meeting, copies of meeting minutes, and a detailed agenda will be posted on the COMSTAC website at: [https://www.faa.gov/space/additional\\_information/comstac/](https://www.faa.gov/space/additional_information/comstac/).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Hatt, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Transportation, at [james.a.hatt@faa.gov](mailto:james.a.hatt@faa.gov), (202) 549-2325. Any committee related request should be sent to the person listed in this section.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee was created under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), in accordance with Public Law 92-463. Since its inception, industry-led COMSTAC has provided information, advice, and recommendations to the U.S. Department of Transportation through FAA regarding technology, business, and policy issues relevant to oversight of the U.S. commercial space transportation sector.

##### II. Proposed Agenda

DOT/FAA Welcome Remarks  
VIP Remarks  
FAA Updates  
Review of Taskers Assigned at Previous Meetings/COMSTAC Final Recommendations  
Public Comment  
Future COMSTAC Business

##### III. Public Participation

The meeting listed in this notice will be open to the public. The US 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, such as sign language, interpretation, or other ancillary aids, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

There will be at least thirty minutes allotted for oral comments from members of the public joining a COMSTAC meeting. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for each commenter may be limited. Individuals wishing to reserve speaking time during the meeting must submit a request at the time of registration, as well as the name, address, and organizational affiliation of the proposed speaker. If the number of registrants requesting to make statements is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the meeting, the FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers. Speakers are requested to submit a written copy of their prepared remarks for inclusion in the meeting records and for circulation to COMSTAC members. All prepared remarks submitted on time will be accepted and considered as part of the record. Any member of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC.

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Dated: February 10, 2021.

**James A. Hatt,**

*Designated Federal Officer, Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2021-0016]

#### Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System

Under part 235 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), this document provides the public notice that on January 26, 2021, Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval to discontinue or modify a signal system. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2021-0016.

*Applicant:* Norfolk Southern Corporation, Tommy A. Phillips, Senior Director—C&S Operations, 1200 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30309.

Specifically, NS requests permission to discontinue a traffic control system (TCS) on the Guyandot River Branch Line, from milepost (MP) GR 0.2 to MP GR 42.5 and MP GB 11.4 to MP GB 0.5, and the Morri Branch Line, from MP SK

0.0 to SK 11.9, on the Blue Ridge Division. This area includes control points (CPs) Hotwater Road, Paul Green, Itmann, Clevenger, New Richmond, Jazbo, Pinnacle Junction, Pineville, Rockview, Kepler, Mada, Aliff, Indian Creek, Simon, Morri Branch Junction, Lincoln, Cub Creek Junction, Gilbert, Neds, Ben Creek, Pekin, Plunkett, Oceana, and eleven automatic signals. The main track between MP GR 0.5 and MP GR 42.5, MP GB 0.5 to MP GB 11.1, and MP SK 0.0 to SK 11.9 will be converted to NS Rule 171 operation. Operable approach signals will be placed at MP GR 2.3 in approach to CP Elmore and No. 1 Crossover and MP GB 2.0 in approach to CP Jerry. The signaled sidings within application limits will be made non-controlled, other than main track. All slide fences within the application limits will be retired.

NS states the reason for the proposed discontinuance is that operations no longer require TCS.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Website:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by April 5, 2021 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable. Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the

name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://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 also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Issued in Washington, DC.

**John Karl Alexy,**

*Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety,  
Chief Safety Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2021-0014]

#### Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System

Under part 235 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), this document provides the public notice that on January 19, 2021, Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval to discontinue or modify a signal system. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2021-0014.

*Applicant:* Norfolk Southern Corporation, Tommy A. Phillips, Senior Director—C&S Operations, 1200 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30309.

Specifically, NS requests permission to discontinue a traffic control system (TCS) on the Dry Fork Branch of the Blue Ridge Division, from milepost (MP) 10.3 to MP 144.4. This segment includes control points (CPs) Kelly, Mile Branch, Garland, Lester, Atwell, Yukon, Lomax, Rift, Jacobs Fork, Alpha, Dawson, Beech Fork, Asbury, and ten automatic signals. The main track between MP 10.3 and MP 144.4 will be converted to NS Rule 171 operation. Operable approach signals will be placed at MP 112.4 and MP 142.8 in approach to CPs Auville and Dry Fork Branch. The signaled sidings within the application limits will be made non-controlled, other than main track. All slide fences within the application limits will be retired.

NS states the reason for the proposed discontinuance is that operations no longer require TCS.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

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**John Karl Alexy,**

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Chief Safety Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2021-0013]

#### Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System

Under part 235 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), this document provides the public notice that on January 18, 2021, Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval to discontinue or modify a signal system. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2021-0013.

*Applicant:* Norfolk Southern Corporation, Tommy A. Phillips, Senior Director—C&S Operations, 1200 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30309.

Specifically, NS requests permission to discontinue a traffic control system (TCS) on the Bloomington District of the Midwest Division, from milepost (MP) C113.3 to MP C153.0. This segment includes control points Goembel, Osman, Mansfield, Lodge, Mills, and eight automatic signals. The main track between MP C113.3 and MP C153.0 will be converted to NS Rule 171 operation. Two automatic signals at C116.0 and C149.4 will be converted to operable approach signals.

NS states the reason for the proposed discontinuance is that operations no longer require TCS.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

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- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.