

service day inspection must be completed for one year until June 1, 2023. GGRM states that the annual inspection of #2472 was completed, but the extension would allow GGRM to recover from schedule delays and revenue losses caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 party desires 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 at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Communications received by January 24, 2022 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), the U.S. Department of Transportation (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/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA-2021-0082]

#### Notice of Availability of a Final General Conformity Determination for the California High-Speed Rail System, Burbank to Los Angeles Section

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** FRA is issuing this notice to advise the public that it is issuing a Final General Conformity Determination (FCD) for the Burbank to Los Angeles Section of the California High-Speed Rail (HSR) System.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 (Section 327), the California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA or Authority) has assumed FRA's environmental review responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). However, under Section 327, FRA remains responsible for compliance with the Clean Air Act General Conformity requirements. In compliance with NEPA and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Authority published a Final Environmental Impact Record/Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) for the Burbank to Los Angeles Section of the California High-Speed Rail (HSR) System on November 5, 2021. The Final EIR/EIS is available at <https://hsr.ca.gov/programs/environmental-planning/project-section-environmental-documents-tier-2/burbank-to-los-angeles-project-section-draft-environmental-impact-report-environmental-impact-statement/>.

FRA prepared a Draft General Conformity Determination, pursuant to 40 CFR part 93, subpart B, which establishes the process for complying with the General Conformity requirements of the Clean Air Act. FRA published a notice in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 2021 advising the public of the availability of the Draft Conformity Determination for a 30-day review and comment period.

The Draft Conformity Determination was published at <http://www.regulations.gov>, Docket No. FRA-2021-0082. The comment period of the Draft Conformity Determination closed on October 20, 2021. FRA received one comment expressing support for the project and Draft General Conformity Determination.

FRA prepared the Final General Conformity Determination pursuant to 40 CFR part 93, subpart B, and based on the Authority's coordination with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the California Air Resources Board (CARB), and the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). The analysis found that construction period emissions would exceed the General Conformity *de minimis* threshold for Nitrogen Oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>). However, operation of the Project would result in an overall reduction of regional emissions of all applicable air pollutants and would not cause a localized exceedance of an air quality standard. Consistent with the General Conformity Rule, the Authority will ensure all remaining emissions that exceed the *de minimis* thresholds, after implementation of the impact avoidance and minimization features and onsite mitigation measures, will be offset through an agreement with SCAQMD. The Authority and SCAQMD will enter into an agreement after receipt of construction funding but prior to the start of construction. Based on this commitment, FRA determined the Project will conform to the requirements in the approved State Implementation Plan.

The Final General Conformity Determination is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>, Docket No. FRA-2021-0082, and FRA's website at <https://railroads.dot.gov/environmental-reviews/clean-air-act-california-general-conformity-determinations>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Federal-State Partnership for State of Good Repair Program

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