

statement explaining the reason that the applicant thinks their trip is in the national interest, including proposed travel dates and the applicant's role and responsibilities on the trip; and supporting documentary evidence. For those seeking a multiple-entry special validation, applicants must also identify they are seeking the multiple-entry type of special validation and submit the following: documentation showing the applicant or their organization has a well-established history of traveling to the DPRK to work on well-monitored projects with compelling humanitarian considerations; the applicant's draft itinerary, including dates of travel and what specific work they intend to perform on each trip; and documentation that shows the applicant's humanitarian work requires that they make multiple trips to the DPRK in the next two-year period. Those who are approved for a multiple-entry special validation must also submit a final itinerary detailing dates and purpose of travel at least one month (30 days) prior to each trip to the DPRK while using their multi-entry special validation U.S. passport. Failure to provide the requested information may result in denial of a special validation to use a U.S. passport to travel to, in, or through a restricted country or area.

Effective September 1, 2017, upon determining that there is imminent danger to the public health or physical safety of U.S. travelers in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), the former Secretary of State imposed a passport restriction with respect to travel to the DPRK. Such restriction was further renewed in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and most recently in 2023 for one year, effective September 1, 2023. The estimated number of recipients represents the Department of State's estimate of the annual number of special validations requests individuals will submit who wish to use their U.S. passport to travel to the DPRK, based on the current number of requests following the implementation of the Secretary of State's passport restriction. At this time, there are no other countries or areas that are the subject of passport restrictions pursuant to 22 CFR 51.63.

Methodology

Instructions for individuals seeking to apply for a special validation to use a U.S. passport to travel to, in, or through a restricted country or area is posted on a web page maintained by the Department (travel.state.gov). The web page directs applicants to submit the requested information via email to the Passport Services Directorate

(PPTSpecialValidations@state.gov) or by mail to Special Validations, U.S. Department of State, CA/PPT/S/A/AP, 44132 Mercure Circle, P.O. Box 1227, Sterling, VA 20166-1227.

Information collected in this manner will be used to facilitate the granting of special validations to U.S. nationals who are eligible. The primary purpose of soliciting the information is to establish whether an applicant is within one of the categories specified in the regulations of the Department of State codified at 22 CFR 51.64(b) and therefore eligible to be issued a U.S. passport containing a special validation enabling him or her to make one or multiple entry round-trips to a restricted country or area, and to facilitate the application for a passport of such applicants.

Donald E. Jacobson,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36745]

Massachusetts Coastal Railroad, LLC—Modified Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Massachusetts Coastal Railroad, LLC (Mass Coastal), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a notice for a modified certificate of public convenience and necessity¹ under 49 CFR part 1150 subpart C—*Modified Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity*, for Mass Coastal to operate the Plymouth line between milepost 1.7 at South Braintree, Mass., and milepost 27.1 at Plymouth, Mass. (the Line).

Mass Coastal states the Line was acquired from Penn Central Transportation Company by Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) subject to an operating easement in Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail). (Am. Notice 5.) Conrail applied to abandon the Line under Section 308(b) of the Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 (45 U.S.C. 748) in Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) Docket No. AB 167 (Sub-No. 388), and an operating subsidy was offered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under agreement filed with the ICC on February 24, 1982. (Am. Notice 5.) According to Mass Coastal, the subsidy ended on May 26, 1982.

¹ Mass Coastal filed a notice on December 15, 2023, and filed an amended notice on March 29, 2023.

(*Id.*) Bay Colony subsequently filed a notice for a modified certificate of public convenience and necessity, and the ICC found the Line qualified for operation under a modified rail certificate. (*Id.*); *see Bay Colony R.R.—Modified Rail Certificate*, FD 29963 (ICC served June 29, 1982). According to Mass Coastal, although Bay Colony's operating agreement with MBTA expired, MBTA agreed in a 1993 letter that Bay Colony would have the first right to negotiate to operate the Line for freight service. (Am. Notice 3–4.) Mass Coastal explains that it has entered into an agreement with Bay Colony to acquire all of Bay Colony's remaining operating rights and rail assets, including its first right to negotiate to operate the Line for freight service.² (*See* Am. Notice 3.) Mass Coastal states that MBTA has consented “to the extent required.” (Am. Notice 3; *see also id.*, Ex. A (Notice to and Consent of MBTA).) Mass Coastal states that it has received an inquiry from a potential freight shipper and has begun discussions with MBTA regarding an operating agreement. (Am. Notice 4.)

The Line qualifies for a modified certificate of public convenience and necessity. *See Common Carrier Status of States, State Agencies & Instrumentalities & Pol. Subdivs.*, FD 28990F (ICC served July 16, 1981); 49 CFR 1150.22. Mass Coastal states that no subsidy is involved and that there will be no preconditions that shippers must meet to receive service. (Am. Notice 6.) Mass Coastal's notice also includes a certificate of liability insurance coverage. (Am. Notice, Ex. B.)

This notice will be served on the Association of American Railroads (Car Service Division), as agent for all railroads subscribing to the car-service and car-hire agreement, at 425 Third Street SW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20024; and on the American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association at 50 F Street NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20001.

Board decisions and notices are available at www.stb.gov.

Decided: April 22, 2024.

² On March 29, 2024, Bay Colony filed, in Docket No. FD 29963, a notice of intent to terminate service on the Line, which will become effective on May 28, 2024. *See* 49 CFR 1150.24. Because Mass Coastal now has authority to commence operations at any time, *see* 49 CFR 1150.23(a) (“Operations may commence immediately on the filing” of the modified certificate), there will be no break in the availability of the Line for freight service.

By the Board, Mai T. Dinh., Director, Office of Proceedings.

Kenyatta Clay,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No.: FAA-2024-0318; Summary Notice No. -2024-12]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Stallion 51 Flight Operations LLC

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, the FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion nor omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before May 15, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2024-0318 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M-30; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12-140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- *Fax:* Fax comments to Docket Operations at (202) 493-2251.

Privacy: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to

<http://www.regulations.gov>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy>.

Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jimeca Callaham, (202) 267-0312, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591.

This notice is published pursuant to 14 CFR 11.85.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 22, 2024.

Brandon Roberts,

Executive Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA-2024-0318.

Petitioner: Stallion 51 Flight Operations LLC.

Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected: §§ 91.9, 91.111(c), 91.315, 119.5(g), and 119.21(a).

Description of Relief Sought: Stallion 51 requests relief from 14 CFR 91.9, 91.111(c), 91.315, 119.5(g), and 119.21(a) to provide a "hands-on" warbird flight experience to the public in its four North American P-51D (TF-51) airplanes certificated as limited category civil aircraft. These former-military aircraft are modified dual-cockpit/dual-control variants of the P-51. Customers, under the supervision of a person who holds a flight instructor certificate, will be given the opportunity to manipulate the controls under specified conditions, including aerobatic flight.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2024-0029]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Notice of Request for Reinstatement of a Previously Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

SUMMARY: The FHWA has forwarded the information collection request described in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to reinstate an information collection. We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on February 9, 2024. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by May 28, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number 0029 by any of the following methods:

Website: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Hand Delivery or Courier: U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wendy McAbee, 202-366-5658, Office of Bridges and Structures, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The comments and FHWA's responses to the 60-day notice published February 9, 2024, at 89 FR 9285 are below:

There was one public comment to the **Federal Register** notice referencing a Consumer Affairs report on roadway pavement conditions nationwide. The comment did not indicate what year the data analyzed for the report was collected nor whether tunnel lane miles were considered in that analysis.

Condition of the roadway wearing surface is collected in the NTI and can be used for analysis and reporting of roadway pavement conditions nationwide. The number of lane miles collected in the NTI is miniscule when compared to the number of lane miles