Southeast Florida Rail Network & Proposed “All Aboard Florida” Route

LEGEND

- **CSX**: (existing freight, Amtrak & Tri-Rail)
- **FEC rail corridor**: (existing freight, possible Tri-Rail & Amtrak)
- **FECI**: (proposed “All Aboard Florida” route)
**All Aboard Florida (AAF) Proposal**  
**Applicant:** Florida East Coast Industries (FECI)

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<th>Operation of high-speed express intercity passenger rail service on Florida East Coast (FEC) Rail Corridor &amp; SR 528</th>
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<td><strong>Station Locations</strong></td>
<td>Miami, Fort Lauderdale, West Palm Beach, Orlando (235-mile route)</td>
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<td><strong>Service Frequency:</strong></td>
<td>16 hourly trains in each direction (6 AM – 9 PM)</td>
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| **Project Timeframe:** | Construction (2014)  
Initial Service (2016)                                |
| **Current Permit Activity:** | Pending Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)  
*(expected May/June 2014)* |
Minimum Considerations of an EIS

14. Contents of an Environmental Impact Statement (n): Analysis should be focused on areas of significant impact: beneficial and adverse; direct, indirect, and cumulative; and both long and short-term. There should be evidence of consultation with appropriate Federal, State and local officials. At a minimum, the following areas should be considered in the environmental analysis …

1. Air quality.
2. Water quality.
3. Noise and vibration.
4. Solid waste disposal.
5. Natural ecological systems.
6. Wetlands.
7. Endangered species.
8. Flood hazard evaluation & floodplain management.
9. Coastal zone management.
10. Production & consumption of energy.
11. Use of natural resources other than energy, such as water, minerals, or timber.
12. Aesthetic environment & scenic resources.
13. Transportation.
15. Land use.
16. Socioeconomic environment.
17. Public health.
18. Public safety.
19. Recreation areas & opportunities.
21. Sites of historical, archeological, architectural, or cultural significance.
22. Construction impacts.
• Information Request to FECI:
  – Corporate Structure
    – Corporate Organization & Subsidiaries
    – Operating Rights
  – Financial Projections
    – Ridership & Cost Estimates
  – Engineering Issues
    – Signal Warning Time
    – Communications Equipment
    – FECI Listing of Improvements
Correspondence Request to Local Governments:
- Submit Request to FRA to Extend Draft EIS Public Comment Period from 45 to 90 days
- NOTE: FECI has suggested 75 days

Request to FDOT:
- Implementation of FRA “On-Site Engineering Field Report”
- Follow FRA “Sealed Corridor” Safety Recommendations
• **Request to FRA & Federal Agencies:**
  - EIS Process Requires FRA Collect Public Comments (by local governments, agencies, public)
  - Request FRA & Federal Agencies Participate in Workshop in Region to Confirm Acknowledgement of Key Issues & Concerns

• **Amended FRA Request:**
  - Reduce track impacts in St. Lucie Village
  - Shift “storage tracks” North or South of Village.
Noted Activities & Updates

• **TIGER Grant Submittal:**
  - Applicant: Palm Beach & Broward MPOs
  - Purpose: “Grade Crossing Safety Improvements”
  - Amount: $20.275 M

• **Legislative Quiet Zone Appropriation ($10M):**
  - Establishes FDOT Grant Program
  - 50/50 Match Towards Local/Other Dollars
  - Awaiting Approval by Governor

• **Corridor “Field Tour” for Legislative Delegation**
  - Martin MPO, St. Lucie TPO & Indian River MPO
Noted Activities & Updates

- **Continued Public Outreach to Local Governments & Others**

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Noted Activities & Updates

• Adoption of SFRTA/FECI “Non-Compete” Clause

• FRA Processing Council Request (3/21/2014)
  • Key Issues to be Addressed in EIS
  • “EIS Process” Workshop in Region
  • 90-Day Extension for Public Comments

• TCRPC “AAF Clearinghouse” on Website
  • Project Summary
  • Project Permits
  • Project History & Timeline
  • Public Agency Documents & Resources
  • Comments & Presentations
  • Contact Information
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