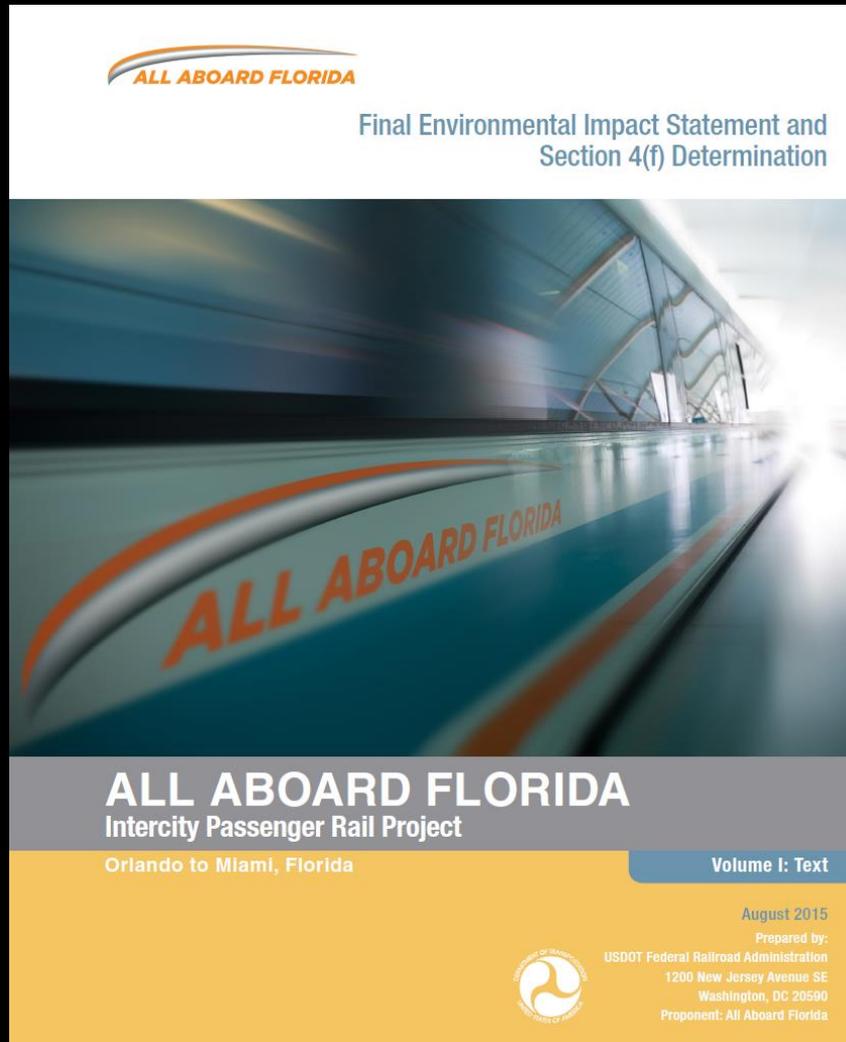


All Aboard Florida Project Update

TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 2015

Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)



Council raised 31 issues for consideration in Final EIS.

Final EIS lacks sufficient data, analysis & mitigation.

Many issues remain unaddressed in Final EIS.

Next step will be issuance of Record of Decision by FRA (date TBD by FRA)

Project Financing

August 2015: FDFC provided authorization for issuance of Private Activity Bonds

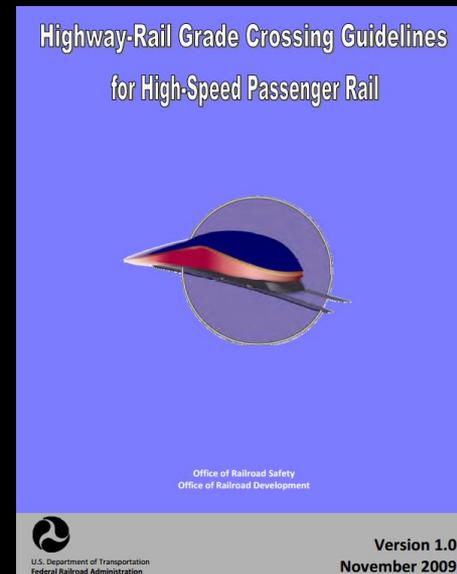
RRIF Loan Application remains pending

Quiet Zones: Technical Workshops

<p>Sept 23 (Wed) Fort Pierce</p>	<p>FRA Workshop: Quiet Zone Overview <i>(for Martin, St. Lucie & Indian River counties)</i></p>
<p>Sept 24 (Thurs) West Palm Beach</p>	<p>FRA Workshop: Quiet Zone Establishment <i>(for AAF Phase 1 – WPB to Boca Raton)</i></p> <p><i>PBC AAF Phase 2 invited (Riviera Beach to Tequesta)</i></p>
<p>2015/2016 TBD</p>	<p>FRA Workshop: Quiet Zone Establishment <i>(for PBC AAF Phase 2 – WPB to Tequesta)</i></p>

Sealed Corridor Requirements & Grade Crossing Infrastructure

- In response to Council, FDOT reaffirmed:
 - AAF must comply with High Speed Rail Guidelines
 - AAF to fund grade crossing vehicular infrastructure
 - Pedestrian infrastructure subject to local agreements
- FRA Engineer has raised concerns about minimum safety requirements.
- FRA has requested Council's assistance for provision of 90% plans for FRA review.



Conclusion

Prior to Issuing the Record of Decision, FRA should:

- 1) Address data deficiencies with regards to land use, transportation, marine navigation, transit systems, bicycle & pedestrian circulation, public safety, air quality, noise & vibrations, and economic conditions;
- 2) Include a more thorough analysis of project costs & benefits and suggested mitigation measures & alternatives;
- 3) Establish stronger measures to more completely mitigate regional & local impacts and provide a better balance among the competing forms of transportation;

Conclusion

- 4) Provide additional data & analysis concerning the proposed grade crossing closures in Indian River, Martin & Palm Beach counties;
- 5) Provide Indian River County, the City of Vero Beach, and the Indian River County MPO an opportunity to review & evaluate the 90% plans regarding AAF's proposed grade crossing improvements; and
- 6) Address concerns regarding safety requirements as identified by FRA in its review of the 90% plans for Martin County.

Recommendation

Council should Approve the
Report and Authorize its
Transmittal to the
Federal Railroad Administration.