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Federal Railroad Administration

The FRA Deputy Administrator's Declaration of Emergency Event: Hurricane Ida

Pursuant to Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 211.45, Federal Railroad Administration Deputy Administrator Amit Bose has determined that the imminent threat of Hurricane Ida with damaging winds, flooding rains, power outages, and coastal flooding conditions predicted to occur along the Gulf Coast of the United States constitutes an "emergency event" as related to railroad operations.

In making this determination, the Deputy Administrator notes that the National Weather Service has predicted strong winds, heavy rains, and life-threatening flooding will impact Louisiana and states along the Gulf Coast of the United States. Louisiana has issued a State of Emergency in anticipation of the impending storm. Therefore, the Deputy Administrator has activated the *Emergency Relief Docket* (FRA-2021-0001) as related to Hurricane Ida, as of August 28, 2021, and the emergency relief provisions of 49 CFR § 211.45 are in effect.