

BROAD AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS 2020 FOR RAILROAD RESEARCH



FRA's Office of Research, Development & Technology is dedicated to conducting research that improves railroad safety, promotes innovation, and supports national rail transportation policy. These efforts further U.S. Department of Transportation strategic goals, FRA's mission, and the rail industry as a whole.

FRA releases Broad Agency Announcements (BAA) to solicit proposals on a variety of research topic areas that will have a direct impact on the safety and efficiency of freight and passenger rail operations in the United States. Submissions will undergo evaluation and selection by the Office of Research, Development & Technology.

For 2020, there are two announcements:

General BAA providing opportunities to conduct applied technology research in FRA's four research areas:

- Human Factors
- Rolling Stock
- Train Control & Communication
- Track

BAA focused on Intelligent Railroad System research:

- Restricted to university and university-led teams as qualifying applicants

For more information about each BAA, including program guidelines, specific research topics under consideration, and submission deadlines, visit: <https://railroads.dot.gov/program-areas/research-and-development-funding/broad-agency-announcement>.



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