

**FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION
RAILROAD TRESPASS PREVENTION SUMMITS**

**October 27, 2021 @ 2:00 PM (Eastern Standard Time)
Northeast Illinois**

Location: Virtual (meeting link will be provided to registrants)
Registration required via: [2021 FRA Railroad Trespass Prevention Summits \(dot.gov\)](https://www.fra.dot.gov/summits)

Draft Agenda

Purpose of Summit – Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), local, and railroad stakeholders will identify and share leading industry practices and explore new local strategies to reduce the number of right-of-way and trespasser incidents and fatalities. Subject matter experts and local authorities will discuss the effects trespassing has on their communities, the roots of trespassing, and recommendations for future actions to reduce incidents.

Time	Focus	Speakers
2:00 PM–2:15 PM	Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcoming remarks FRA’s National Strategy to Prevent Railroad Trespassing 	Monica Shaw , Transportation Specialist and Michail Grizkewitsch , Transportation Analyst – FRA Mike Long , Director of Regional Operations and Outreach – FRA Jennifer “Sis” Killen, P.E., PTOE , Superintendent – Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DOTH)
2:15 PM–3:00 PM	Railroad Trespassing Perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FRA: National overview of railroad trespassing Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DOTH): Overview of local railroad trespassing data Metra: Commuter railroad and suicide prevention perspective 	James Payne , Staff Director, Highway-Rail GXTP Division – FRA Tina Blumenberg , Grade Crossing Inspector – FRA Sam Wright , Transportation Planner – Cook County DOTH Hilary Konczal , Chief Safety & Environmental Officer – Metra
3:00 PM–4:00 PM	Railroad Trespassing & Suicide Prevention Treatments & Tools Trespass Near Miss Research: A First Look Low Cost Treatments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CARE Model Overview of trespassing treatments Railroad Trespassing Data Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Railroad Trespassing Root Causes Law Enforcement Data Collection Tool Railroad Suicide Prevention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide an overview of suicide prevention countermeasures and research topics. 	Francesco Bedini Jacobini , Program Manager – FRA Marco daSilva , Mechanical Engineer – Volpe Center Shala Blue , Engineering Psychologist – FRA Scott Gabree , Engineering Research Psychology – Volpe Center
4:00 PM–5:00 PM	Railroad Trespassing and Suicide Prevention Funding Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> USDOT Funding Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grants 	Samuel Wright John Winkle , Transportation Industry Analyst – FRA

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illinois Funding for Crossing and Trespass Safety Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Overview of the Section 130 Program ○ Highlight the Highway Safety Improvement Program and other Highway Trust Fund programs that are eligible for funds to improve crossings 	Brian Vercruysse – Director, Rail Safety – Illinois Commerce Commission
5:00 PM–5:30 PM	Wrap-Up and Next Steps	James Payne, Samuel Wright, and Hilary Konczal