

RAIL SHARE

November 28–29, 2023

Kansas City, MO



Draft Agenda (Subject to Change)

Monday, November 27

3:00 – 7 p.m. Registration

Tuesday November 28, 2023

6:30 – 8:30 a.m. Registration

General Session – Count Basie Ballroom

Time	Topic	Presenter
8:30 – 8:45 a.m.	Safety Briefing and Call to Order	Brian Reilly , Human Performance Specialist – Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)
8:45 – 9:15 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Amit Bose , Administrator – FRA
9:15 – 9:45 a.m.	FRA Regulatory and RSAC Update	Karl Alexy , Associate Administrator for Safety – FRA
9:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Break	
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Keynote Address	Honorable Jennifer Homendy , Chair – National Transportation Safety Board
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.	FRA’s Safety Culture Assessment on Class I Railroads	Dr. Amanda Emo , Senior Engineering Psychologist – FRA

11:30– 1:00 p.m. Lunch (not provided)

Breakout Room 1 – Andy Kirk Room

Time	Topic	Presenter
1:00 – 1:50 p.m.	Developing the Next Generation of Railroaders – Leaders in Safety Start Day 1	Will Gebhardt , Senior Manager, Engineering Training – Canadian National Railway (CN) Dean Luchik , Senior Manager, Transportation Training – CN Matt Jozwiak, Sr. Manager Mechanical Training – CN
2:00 – 2:50 p.m.	Rail Industry Technology	Lee Verhey , Executive Director – Railway Supply Institute
3:00 – 3:50 p.m.	PATH’s Scenario-Based Training	Antionette Walker , Principal Program and Training Manager – PATH
4:00 – 4:50 p.m.	Rail Transit Safety Updates	Joe DeLorenzo , Associate Administrator for Transit Safety and Oversight – Federal Transit Administration

Breakout Room 2 – Julia Lee Room

Time	Topic	Presenter
1:00 – 1:50 p.m.	FRA Blocked Crossing Initiatives	James Payne , Staff Director – FRA
2:00 – 2:50 p.m.	Smart Railroad Crossing Project	David Lindsey , Regional System Administrator – City of Houston Mayor’s Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security Douglas Pasley , Vice President of Field Operations – Haystax
3:00 – 3:50 p.m.	Top 100 At-Risk Crossings	Rocky Scott , Deputy Staff Director – FRA Frank Frey , General Engineer – FRA
4:00 – 4:50 p.m.	Trespassing Deterrence and Mitigation Program	Michael Hendley , Transportation Services Manager – Capital Corridor Joint Powers Authority

Breakout Room 3 – Bennie Moten Room

Time	Topic	Presenter
1:00 – 1:50 p.m.	Safety Culture and the Criticality of Leadership Buy-In	Larry Day , Transit Division Manager – Transportation Safety Institute
2:00 – 2:50 p.m.	Dominoes, Cheese, and Trees: Understanding How Accidents Happen and How We Investigate Them	Troy Jackson , Director – Transportation Safety Institute
3:00 – 3:50 p.m.	C3RS – Year in Review	Mike Ballard , C3RS Expert Analyst – National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
4:00 – 4:50 p.m.	Communication Breakdown – C3RS Analysis	Leonard Weaver , C3RS Project Manager – NASA

Breakout Room 4 – Mary Lou Williams Room

Time	Topic	Presenter
1:00 – 1:50 p.m.	FRA's Safety Management System Regulations	Darrell Fizer , Transportation Specialist – FRA Dr. Rachel Grice , Senior Engineering Psychologist – FRA
2:00 – 2:50 p.m.	RRS Innovations and Standards	Matt Brewer , Staff Director – FRA
3:00 – 3:50 p.m.	Fatigue Risk Management Program – Amtrak's Implementation Plan Update	Tim Tyran , Director, System Safety Programs – Amtrak Bartley Beasley , Senior Manager, Fatigue Risk and Human Performance – Amtrak
4:00 – 4:50 p.m.	FRA Public Safety Site Overview	Lindsay Peters-Dawson , Program Analyst – FRA

Wednesday November 29, 2023

Breakout Room 1 – Andy Kirk Room

Time	Topic	Presenter
8:00 – 8:50 a.m.	Safety Shortfalls in Rail Car Inspection	Dave Arouca – Brotherhood of Railroad Carmen
9:00 – 9:50 a.m.	Impact of Trains Longer Than 7,500 Feet	Andrew Martin , Program Analyst – FRA
10:00 – 10:50 a.m.	Union Pacific Railroad – Precision Train Building	Taylor Weisbeck – Senior Director Operating Practices and System Compliance – Union Pacific Railroad
11:00 – 11:50 a.m.	Norfolk Southern – Train Make Up	Shannon Mason , General Road Foreman – Norfolk Southern (NS) Randy Hunt , Senior Director Operations Safety – NS

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8:00 – 8:50 a.m.	Rail Information Sharing Environment (RISE)	Dr. Neeraj Koul , Senior Data Scientist – FRA Dr. Starr Kidda , Supervisory Engineering Psychologist – FRA
9:00 – 9:50 a.m.	Supporting Rail Employees Through Critical Incident Stress: Current Practices and Opportunities	Dr. Shala Blue , Engineering Psychologist – FRA Megan France-Peterson , Engineering Psychologist – Volpe Danielle Hiltunen , Engineering Psychologist – Volpe
10:00 – 10:50 a.m.	Safety and Smiles	Mary Carlson Bis – Amtrak
11:00 – 11:50 a.m.	Caltrain's Path to a Strong Safety Culture and Roadway Worker Protection	Mike Meader , Chief Safety Officer – Caltrain

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8:00 – 8:50 a.m.	Training for Maintenance of Way: What is Required, When It's Required, and Recurrent Training	Lance Hawks , Human Performance Specialist – FRA Les Hanlon , Director of Compliance and Development – National Railroad Safety Services
9:00 – 9:50 a.m.	National Registered Apprentice Program and Part 243	Michele Malski – SPRING Dave Harrison – Fastport
10:00 – 10:50 a.m.	Moving Beyond Compliance – Safety Processes That Can Move the Needle	Kellie Andrews , Vice President of Safety, Security, Quality and Environment – Keolis
11:00 – 11:50 a.m.	Safety Technology and Advancements	Steve Ladislaw – Amtrak Kevin McCarthy – Amtrak

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8:00 – 8:50 a.m.	Voluntary Safety Reporting	Matt Hardison , Senior Principal – MITRE
9:00 – 9:50 a.m.	Railroads and First Responders: A GIS Link	Jeremy Kramer , Vice President – Louisville and Indiana Railroad
10:00 – 10:50 a.m.	Update on APTA Standards for Passenger Equipment	Brian Sooter , Director, Standards – American Public Transportation Association
11:00 – 11:50 a.m.	FRA Back2Basics	John Brahaney , Railroad Specialist – FRA

11:50– 1:20 p.m. Lunch (not provided)

General Session – Count Basie Ballroom

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1:20 – 3:00 p.m.	Train Make-Up Best Practice and Lessons Learned	Class I Railroads Round Table FRA Facilitator
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Break	
3:15 – 4:30 p.m.	Ask the FRA	FRA Leadership