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Federal Railroad Administration

NOTICE

The FRA Administrator's Declaration of Emergency Event

Pursuant to Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 211.45, the Federal Railroad Administration's (FRA) Chief Counsel, Melissa Porter (as designated Acting FRA Administrator), has determined that the imminent threat of winds, storm surge and other related weather events predicted to occur in Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina as a result of the projected close coastal travel of Tropical Storm Arthur will constitute an "emergency event" as related to railroad operations. In making this determination, the Chief Counsel notes that the National Weather Service cautions the following hazards in the path of the incoming tropical storm: wind, storm surge, and rainfall. Therefore, the Chief Counsel has activated the *Emergency Relief Docket* (FRA-2014-0001) as of July 2, 2014, and the emergency relief provisions of 49 CFR § 211.45 are in effect.