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NOTICE OF WORKSHOP (Scheduled for July 6, 2022, at 2 p.m.)

RE: Inventory of rail safety oversight by state agencies in identified states compared to the role of state agencies in Washington, TR-210842

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

In the 2021 Transportation Budget, Section 102, (Substitute Senate Bill 5165 or SSB 5165), the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) was directed to prepare an inventory of rail safety oversight conducted by state agencies in other states identified for review by program area as compared to the role of state agencies in Washington. The results of the examination must be reported to the appropriate legislative committees by September 1, 2022, and must include an overview of a stakeholder workshop with interested parties.

The Commission entered into a contract with a consultant team led by David Evans and Associates, Inc. (DEA) to prepare this inventory, facilitate the stakeholder workshop, and interview the states identified in SSB 5165 (New York and California) as well as the states selected by the Commission (Idaho and Oregon).

DEA will facilitate the stakeholder workshop on rail safety oversight inventory on **July 6, 2022**, from **2 p.m.** – **4 p.m.** Pacific Time. This workshop will introduce the consultant team and provide an overview of the project.

WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

The Commission will hold the workshop virtually. Commission headquarters will not be open to the public for in-person participation. Interested persons may listen to the meeting via Zoom by calling (253) 215-8782 and using Meeting ID 847 6921 3323# with the Passcode 241194#. To

participate in the meeting using Zoom on a computer or mobile device, <u>click here to join</u>. If you wish to be placed on the interested parties contact list, please submit your request to the Commission's Records Center at <u>records@utc.wa.gov</u>.

MORE INFORMATION

The Commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to participants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for this workshop, please contact the Commission at least one business day prior to the workshop by calling (360) 664-1132 or by sending an email to human_resources@utc.wa.gov. For TTY service, please call the Washington Relay Service at 7-1-1 or 1-800-833-6384.

If you wish to participate and need an interpreter, one will be provided at no cost to you. If you need an interpreter, please contact the Commission at least one business day prior to the meeting by calling (360) 664-1140 or by sending an email to paige.doyle@utc.wa.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact Commission Rail Operations Manager, Betty Young at 360-292-5470, or by email at betty.young@utc.wa.gov.

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