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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jorge E. Panteli, Compliance and Land Use Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration New England Region Airports Division, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803. Telephone: 781-238-7618.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2021-0044]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on March 22, 2021, Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 213. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2021-0044.

Specifically, NS is requesting relief from 49 CFR 213.233(b)(3), and (c), which require track inspections to be conducted visually by railroad track inspectors at certain frequencies based on class of track. NS is petitioning to replace 49 CFR 213.233 visual track inspection requirements with a combination of automated and visual inspections. Proposed automated inspections would be performed by Track Geometry Measurement Systems three times per month, and visual inspections would be performed at least twice per month, for each track segment.

In support of its petition, NS references data and analysis from its ongoing Track Inspection Test Program, Docket Number FRA-2019-0099. Through the three phases, NS notes that track geometry defects have a continued downward trend, indicating overall improvement in track quality. NS states that the relief would positively impact safety by increasing defect identification

and remediation, reduce employee exposure to potential hazards, and facilitate maintenance program planning.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, if any, are available for review online at www.regulations.gov.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing for these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Website*: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax*: 202-493-2251.
- *Mail*: Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

Communications received by June 28, 2021 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of www.regulations.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2021-0050]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on March 6, 2021, the Southern California Railway Museum (SCRM) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR 230.17, *One thousand four hundred seventy-two (1472) service day inspection*. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2021-0050.

For locomotive SCRM VC 2, SCRM requests to extend the period in which the 1472 service day inspection must be completed until November 21, 2021, which is the date at which the locomotive's next annual inspection is due. At the end of the proposed extension period, SCRM VC 2 will have a total of less than 320 service days, which is less than 22% of the 1472 service day allowance. SCRM states that the extension would allow it to continue operating the locomotive for fundraising purposes and aligning the 1472 service day inspection with the annual inspection would potentially improve SCRM's financial challenges due to less revenue in the previous year.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

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