Senate Transportation Committee Update

February 10th, 2022





Key Discussion Topics

• Amtrak to Burlington

- Amtrak Layover Siding Work in Progress
- Switch Monitors Being Installed
- Sale of Pan Am Railways
 - Decision Anticipated Early April
- VRS Freight
 - 286k Green Mountain Railroad
 - Welded Rail Rutland-Hoosick Jct. Line
- VRS Passenger
 - Anticipate Dinner Trains Resuming This Summer



Amtrak to Burlington



Active Amtrak Projects

- Switch Monitor Installation in Progress
- Part of Requirement for PTC Exemption That Was Granted by FRA in 2021
- Allows For Remote Monitoring of Switches by Train Dispatcher in Rutland



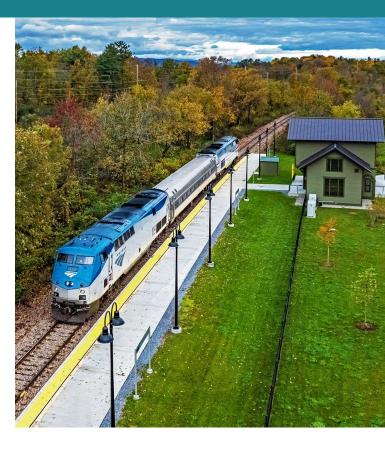
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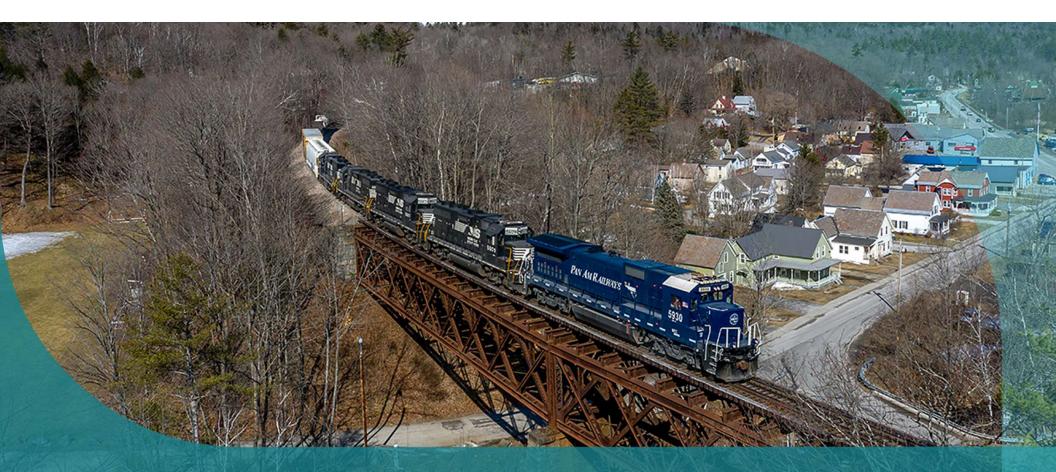
- Burlington Layover Siding
- Construction Started in January
- Scheduled Completion May 2022



Active Amtrak Projects

- Amtrak Started Crew Qualification in October
- Qualification Runs Will Continue This Winter/Spring
- Qualification Run at Restored Station in Vergennes





Pan Am Railways Sale

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- VRS Worked With Our Connecting Partners Throughout 2021 to Address Sale Related Topics
- STB Held a Hearing January 13th-14th on Proposed Transaction
- Decision Expected by Early April



Pan Am Railways Before Sale



Pan Am Railways After Sale







- Granite Business Steady
 - Multiple Moves Scheduled For 2022
 - Consistent Business Last Three Years
- Propane Business Strong
 - ➢ Two Terminals on VRS
 - VRS Customers Working With Multiple Suppliers
- Salt Business Strong



- >286k Needed on Green Mountain Railroad
- Bridge #145 in Cuttingsville Key to 286k at 10 MPH
- Limiting Factor During PAS & Middlebury Detours
- Demand For 286k on GMRC Today
- Bolt Work And Minor Steel Reinforcement Needed on Bridge #145 For 286k at 10 MPH

- 286k Bridge Project Currently Happening on Rutland-Hoosick Jct. Line
- Track North of Manchester Currently 90 lbs. Jointed Rail
- 115 lbs. Welded Rail Will be Needed From Rutland to Manchester to Realize Benefits of 286k Bridge Project



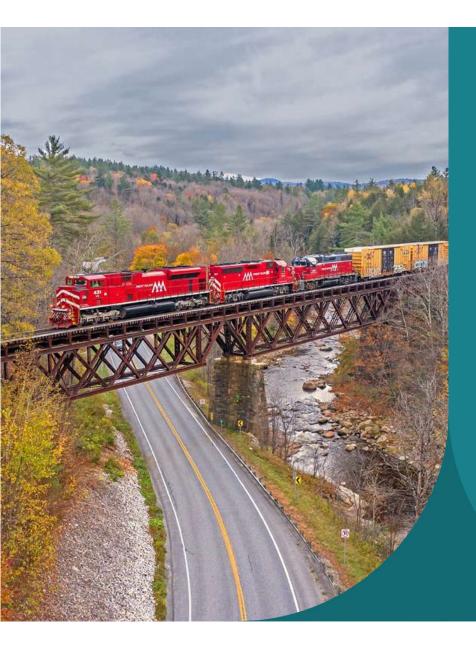


VRS Passenger Update

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- No Scheduled VRS Passenger Trains Since 2019 Due to COVID-19
- Plan to Resume Limited Dinner Trains This Summer Out of Burlington
- > AAPRCO Plans to Visit Vermont Again in 2022



Thank You

 Vermont Rail System Wishes to Thank the State of Vermont, Vtrans, and Secretary Flynn for Their Support and Commitment to our Rail Infrastructure