

VILLAGE of GLENDALE

GLENDALE, OHIO 45246

INCORPORATED 1855

Date:

December 20, 2019 – Certified Mail

Subject:

Village of Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone

NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW QUIET ZONE

Notice is hereby provided that the Village of Glendale, Ohio (Glendale) has established a New 24-hour Quiet Zone, which is to be called The Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone, in accordance with the regulatory provisions contained in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 222.39(a)(1).

SECTION I: AFFECTED HIGHWAY-RAIL GRADE CROSSINGS

There are three (3) existing public highway-rail crossings and one (1) pedestrian crossing within the Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone as shown in Table 1 below: The Sharon Avenue, Albion Avenue, and the Pedestrian crossings are under the jurisdiction of the Village of Glendale. The Oak Road crossing is owned by the Village of Glendale, however, part of said crossing is located within the Village of Woodlawn. There are no existing private highway-rail or pedestrian crossings within the Glendale Quiet Zone.

Table 1: Crossings within the Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone

DOT Crossing	Milepost	Crossing	Supplemental Safety Measures
152376N	BE 00015.06	Sharon Avenue	Quad Gate System
152375G	BE 00014.76	Albion Avenue	Permanently Close
152374A	BE00014.51	Oak Road	Quad Gate System
153617D	BE 00014.95	Pedestrian Pathway	Permanently Close,
			Relocate to Sharon
			Avenue

The following railroads operate, or will operate, over some or all of the crossings within the Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone:

- CSX Railroad
- Norfolk Southern Corporation
- National Railroad Passenger Corporation, dba Amtrak

SECTION 2 - TIME RESTRICTION

The routine sounding of horns within the Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone will be eliminated twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, except during an emergency or situation defined in Part 222.23. This restriction on the sounding of train horns will go into effect twenty-one (21) days after the date of this notice, specifically <u>January 10, 2020</u>.

SECTION 3 – IMPROVEMENTS

The Glendale Quiet Zone is being established at the four crossings listed below upon the implementation of Supplemental Safety Measures (SSM's) under 49 CFR § 222.39(a)(1) as authorized by The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Case N. 19-646-RR-FED, by Order issued April 17, 2019 (EXHIBIT A).

- 1. Sharon Avenue Quad Gate and signal system.
- 2. Oak Road Quad Gate and signal system.
- 3. Albion Avenue Permanent closure, effectively eliminating vehicular and pedestrian traffic through this crossing.
- 4. Pedestrian Pathway, currently located south of Sharon Avenue Permanent closure and relocation (incorporation) in the Sharon Avenue crossing system.

SECTION 4 – NOTICE OF INTENT

On September 7, 2017, the Village of Glendale sent by Certified Mail a Notice of Intent to Create a New Quiet Zone (<u>EXHIBIT B</u>), in compliance with 49 CFR § 222.39(a)(1) to the Ohio Rail Development Commission and the railroads using the tracks, which will be affected by the quiet zone.

No comments were received from the parties notified on the Notice of Intent.

SECTION 5 – NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN VIA CERTIFIED MAIL BY THE VILLAGE OF GLENDALE TO:

- CSX Transportation, Inc.
 Director Project Management-Public Projects
 500 Water St., J301
 Jacksonville, FL 32202
- Norfolk Southern Corporation
 James A. Squires, Chairman, President & CEO
 1200 Peachtree St., NE (15th)
 Atlanta, GA 30309
- National Railroad Passenger Corporation Amtrak Richard Anderson, President & CEO 60 Massachusetts Ave., NE Washington DC 20002
- Ohio Rail Development Commission Matthew R. Dietrich, Executive Director 1980 W. Broad St, Mail Stop 3140 Columbus, Ohio 43223
- Ohio Department of Transportation Jack Marchbanks, Ph.D., Director 1980 Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43223
- Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety and Chief Safety Officer Federal Railroad Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590
- Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Randall Schumacher
 Chief, Motor Carrier & Rail Enforcement
 Transportation Department
 180 East Broad Street
 Columbus, OH 43215
- Village of Woodlawn Jerry Thamann, Interim Manager 10141 Woodlawn Blvd Woodlawn, OH 45215

SECTION 6: FRA GRADE CROSSING INVENTORY FORMS

EXHIBIT C: Inventory records prior to the Supplemental Safety Measures Implemented for the Quiet Zone

<u>EXHIBIT D</u>: Current Inventory Records after Installation of the Supplemental Safety Measures

SECTION 7: POINT OF CONTACT INFORMATION

Quiet Zone Name: Village of Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone

Date: Notice of Establishment sent December 20, 2019;

Quiet Zone in Effect January 10, 2020

The following individual is responsible for monitoring compliance with 49 CFR § 222:

Name: Walter W. Cordes

Title: Administrator

Organization: Village of Glendale

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Glendale OH 45246

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STATEMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE VILLAGE OF GLENDALE, OHIO

I hereby certify that that responsible officials of the Village of Glendale, which is the public authority responsible for the Glendale Ohio Quiet Zone, have reviewed the documentation prepared by or for the Federal Railroad Administration, filed in Docket No. FRA-1999-6439, sufficient to make an informed decision regarding the advisability of establishing the quiet zone.

Date:

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