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BLOCKED CROSSING REPORTING FORM

Use this form to report a blocked crossing. Please report only once for each blocked crossing.

There are no federal laws or regulations pertaining to blocked crossings. Therefore, this information is only being used to track the location and impacts of blocked crossings. FRA's purpose of collecting this information is to learn where, when, for how long, and what impacts result from blocked highway-rail grade crossings. FRA may share this information with stakeholders, including railroads, state and local governments, and other federal authorities. There may be legitimate operating and/or safety-related reasons for a crossing to be occupied by a slow or idling train.

1. Where was the crossing?

City _____

State _____

Street _____

Nearest Cross Street (optional) _____

DOT Crossing Number. This information can be found on the blue Emergency Notification System Sign posted at the crossing. (optional, if known) _____

Railroad Name (optional, if known) _____

2. What was the reason the crossing was blocked? (check one)

A stationary train

A slow-moving train

No train was present but the lights and/or gates were activated

3. When did you observe that the crossing was blocked?

Date _____

Time _____ : _____ AM/PM

4. If you witnessed the train stop and start, how long was the duration that the crossing was blocked?

____ hours: ____ minutes OR From: ____ AM/PM To: ____ AM/PM OR ____ NA

5. For this event, were you aware of any immediate impacts from the crossing blocked? (Check all that apply):

First responders were observed being unable to cross the tracks

Pedestrians were observed climbing on, over, or through the train cars

Other _____

6. Any additional comments about this event? (i.e. school arrival/dismissal disrupted; postal or other deliveries delayed; fewer customers visiting businesses, traffic congestion/gridlock, etc.)
