Public Meeting Notice

LA 23 New Orleans & Gulf Coast Railway Relocation PE/NEPA Project
Jefferson and Plaquemines Parishes, LA
RPC/FRA Grant # FR-RLD-0032-14-01-00; RPC Task LA23RR1

The Regional Planning Commission for Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany and Tangipahoa Parishes (RPC) and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) will host an Open House Public Meeting concerning the preparation of an environmental assessment (EA) to evaluate the environmental impacts associated with relocating a portion of the New Orleans & Gulf Coast (NOGC) Railway in Jefferson and Plaquemines Parishes, LA. The purpose of the EA will be to provide the public, governmental agencies, and all other interested parties with information to assess the proposed rail relocation alternatives that will meet the Project’s purpose and need and to evaluate the environmental impacts associated with the alternatives. The 13-mile portion of the NOGC Railway that is subject to potential relocation extends from the Harvey Canal, through the City of Gretna, and along LA 23/Belle Chasse Highway in Jefferson Parish and a portion of Plaquemines Parish.

The Open House Public Meeting will allow the public to review and comment on the Project purpose and need, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental process, and to receive additional environmental and preliminary engineering (PE) information regarding the project.

The Public Meeting will be held:

Tuesday, September 22, 2015
4:00 - 7:00 PM
Mel Ott Park Multi-Purpose Center
2301 Belle Chasse Highway
Gretna, LA 70053

Please join the RPC to share your thoughts about the project. Written comments will be collected during the meeting and may also be mailed or emailed to the project team by October 6, 2015 to:

LA 23 Railway Project,
P.O. Box 56845
New Orleans, LA, 70156 or
LA23publicinfo@hdrinc.com

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services should contact (504) 488-4745 or LA23publicinfo@hdrinc.com at least five working days prior to the meeting. For more information visit http://www.norpc.org/railroad.html