

## **NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT**

### **DTIM BTLRRH 28**

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on DTIM BTLRRH 28, Chapter 86, a proposed guidance document.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION**

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website: <https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DTIMBTLRRH28>

2. Mailing written comments to:

Division of Transportation Investment Management  
Wisconsin Department of Transportation  
4822 Madison Yards Way  
PO Box 7913  
Madison, WI 53707-7913

### **WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT**

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at [wisconsin.dot.gov](http://wisconsin.dot.gov) to allow for ongoing comment.

### **AGENCY CONTACT**

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# Railroad crossing improvements

## Assistance programs

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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation works with freight and passenger railroads and other businesses on initiatives that preserve rail service, improve the efficiency of railroad operations, and enhance economic development.

A separate state agency, the [Office of the Commissioner of Railroads \(OCR\)](#), enforces regulations related to railway safety and investigates the safety of highway/rail crossings. In partnership with private rail firms, local governments and citizens, OCR oversees a variety of highway/rail crossing issues including:

- Replacement or enhancement of passive and active warning devices at highway/rail crossings
- Repair of rough highway/rail crossing surfaces
- Installation of highway/rail crossings at new locations
- Alteration of existing highway/rail crossings
- Closing or consolidating existing highway/rail crossings.

### Contact:

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Yash Wadhwa, Commissioner  
4822 Madison Yards Way  
Madison, WI 53705  
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## Statutory references:

- [Chapter 86](#): Miscellaneous highway provisions including highway/railroad grade crossings (86.11, 86.12, 86.13, 86.135)
- [Chapter 189](#): Office of the Commissioner of Railroads, powers and duties
- [Chapter 190](#): Railroads, organization and management including powers of railroads and railroad consolidation; sale or lease of property
- [Chapter 191](#): Railroads, construction, including railroad extensions
- [Chapter 192](#): Railroads, regulations and liabilities including railroad train crews, and trespassing on railroads
- [Chapter 195](#): Railroad regulation, including protecting grade crossings, advance warning signs, rail crossing warning devices (195.28), and new and altered rail crossings (195.29)

## Related information:

- [Railroad safety](#)
- [Freight Rail Preservation Program \(FRPP\)](#)
- [Freight Rail Infrastructure Improvement Program \(FRIIP\)](#)
- [Safety Guide for WisDOT Employees Working on Railroad Right of Way](#)

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