

# **Association of State Rail Safety Managers**

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# Passenger Rail Division

- Passenger Rail Division:
  - Responsible for Policy & Guidance on all passenger rail issues (Commuter, Intercity & High Speed Rail);
  - Provides support to all New Start Passenger Railroads;
    - Commuter Rail: Orlando, NC, Detroit (2), Denver (3); California (2), Minnesota, NY/NJ Tunnel, Virginia railway Express (contractor change);
    - Up to 20 additional Commuter and Light Rail in various phases of planning.

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- Passenger Rail Division:
  - High Speed Rail – HSR:
    - Working with Desert Express, Cal-HSR & Florida;
  - Work involves:
    - Evaluating alternative standards;
    - Reviewing planned ROW Barrier Protection;
    - Evaluating Emergency Preparedness;
    - Developing specifications for “Rule of Particular Applicability-RPA”;
    - Participating in Engineering Task Force specific to rail equipment alternative standards.

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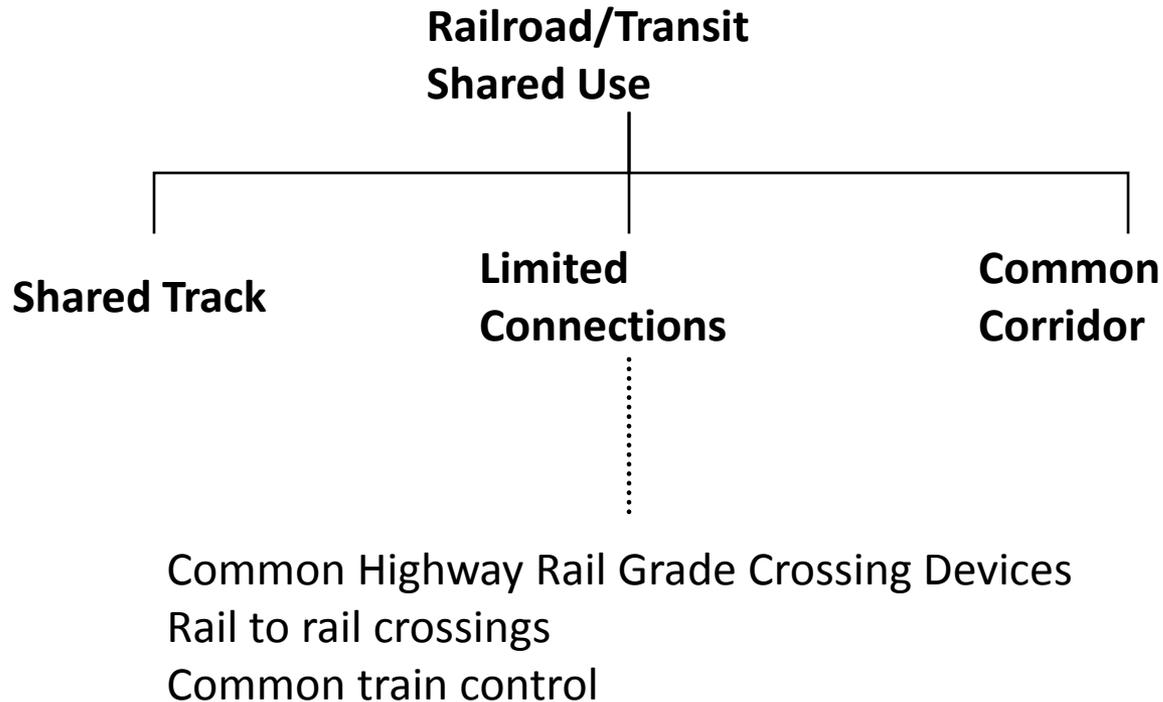
- Passenger Rail Division:
  - Manage Psgr. Rail System Safety Program Plans-SSPP:
    - 26 participating railroads, voluntary program;
    - Developing a Regulation specific to SSPP, regulation will satisfy the requirements of 2008 Safety Act for Risk Reduction Program Regulation;
  - Manage Emergency Preparedness (49cfr239) compliance;
  - Manage Shared Use Program and associated waivers;
  - Coordinate with MP&E, OP, Track & Signal Divisions, APTA & FTA on passenger related issues

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- Passenger Rail Division:
  - Passenger Train, Exterior Side Doors:
    - NPRM pending that will require all passenger side doors be closed before leaving a station & between stations;
    - Set new standard requiring “no-motion” features on all future passenger cars;
    - Set minimum standards for door operation by train crews;
    - Require training.

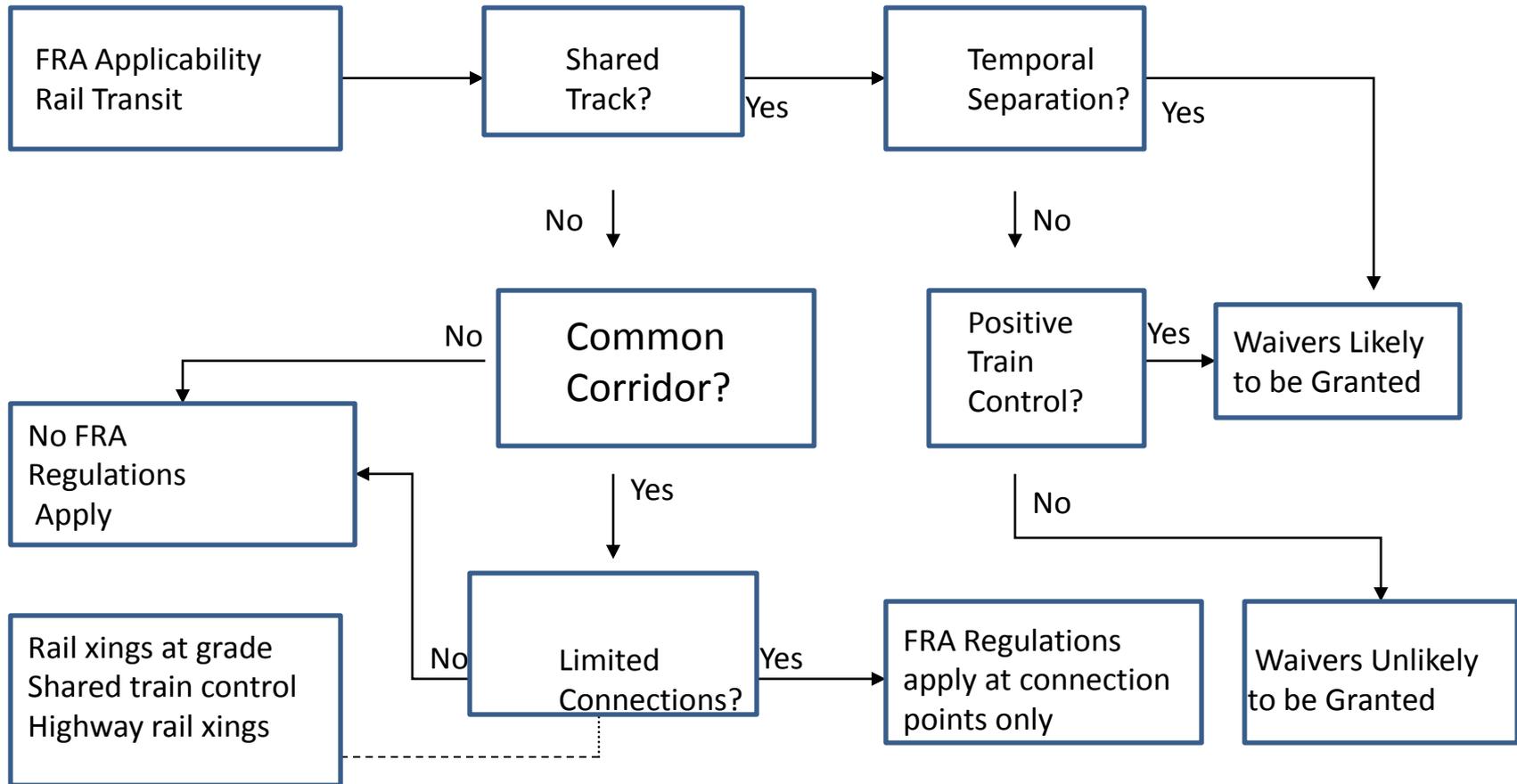


# General System and Rail Transit Common Corridor Safety Program





# Waiver Likely Treatment





# Some Waivers Granted...

