

## FACT SHEET: Odot's role in rail

### ODOT's role and authority

- Safety oversight, including inspections and enforcement of federal and state railroad regulations, rail-roadway crossing safety, project development and funding programs.
- Incident response (e.g. derailments, highway crashes.)
- Coordinate and collaborate with railroads on state investments that benefit the public.
- Partner with Amtrak Cascades and Washington state on passenger rail operations.



### What isn't regulated by ODOT

- Commodities transported.
- Routing and hours of operation.
- Grade crossing blockages.
- Private road crossings.
- Train length, train speeds and horn blowing.

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