



Withdrawal from Great River Rail Commission Joint Powers Agreement

Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority

August 24, 2021

- 18-member body representing communities from St. Paul to La Crosse, WI
- Advocacy to improve passenger rail service from St. Paul to Chicago
- Focus on Twin Cities Milwaukee Chicago (TCMC) 2nd Train
- Member since 2009 with revised JPA signed in 2019

TCMC Second Train Status



- \$31.8M Federal Railroad Administration grant awarded
 - \$6.2M WI match secured
 - \$5M Amtrak match secured
 - \$10M MN match secured
- \$12.6M FRA grant secured for operation startup costs
 - No local match required.

GRRRC Membership Considerations



- No further work on TCMC anticipated
- Annual membership dues= \$4K
- No stations within Dakota County
- JPA requires 90-day written notice

- Proposed withdrawal from Third Amended and Restated JPA of the Great River Rail Commission consistent with terms of the agreement.