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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jake Troutman, (202) 683-7788, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591.

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**Lirio Liu,**

*Executive Director, Office of Rulemaking.*

#### **Petition for Exemption**

*Docket No.:* FAA-2018-1057.

*Petitioner:* Near Earth Autonomy, Inc.

*Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected:* Part 21; part 27; §§ 45.23(b); 45.29; 61.113(a) & (b); 91.7(a); 91.9(b)(2); 91.103; 91.109; 91.119; 91.121; 91.151(b); 91.203(a) & (b); 91.405(a); 91.407(a)(1); 91.409(a)(2); 91.417(a) & (b); & 91.150.

*Description of Relief Sought:* The proposed exemption, if granted, would allow the petitioner to operate the Malloy Aeronautics TRV-50 and TRV-80 unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), with maximum takeoff weights of 126 and 254 pounds, respectively, to conduct demonstrations of safety products and services, as well as to conduct surveying, mapping, industrial-site inspection and monitoring, cargo delivery, and other commercial services. Such operations would be in visual line

of sight and over private property with restricted public access.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

##### **Federal Aviation Administration**

**[Summary Notice No. 2019-15]**

##### **Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; DroneSeed Co**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, the FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

**DATES:** Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before May 1, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2017-1157 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M-30; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12-140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

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#### **Petition for Exemption**

*Docket No.:* FAA-2017-1157.

*Petitioner:* DroneSeed Co.

*Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected:*

§§ 61.3(a)(1)(i); 91.7(a); 91.113(b); 91.119(c); 91.121; 91.151(b); 91.405(a); 91.407(a)(1); 91.409(a)(1) & (2); 91.417(a) & (b); 137.19(c) & (d); 137.19(e)(2)(ii), (e)(2)(iii) & (e)(2)(v); 137.31; 137.33; 137.41(c); & 137.42.

*Description of Relief Sought:* The proposed amendment to exemption No. 17936A, if granted, would allow DroneSeed's remote Pilot in Command to simultaneously operate up to five unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), which weigh more than 55 pounds, for aerial agricultural operations, including post-wildfire reforestation efforts in remote operating environments. The proposed operation would utilize Visual Line of Sight and Beyond Visual Line of Sight UAS operations.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

##### **Federal Railroad Administration**

**[Docket Number FRA-2019-0011]**

##### **Petition for Waiver of Compliance**

Under part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on December 19, 2018, the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR 229.21, *Daily inspection*, which requires that each locomotive in use be inspected

once each calendar day. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2019-0011.

Specifically, UPRR seeks the ability to forgo daily inspections on Distributed Power (DPU) locomotives that are en route. Daily inspections on DPU locomotives would still be performed before departing the originating terminal and before the locomotive's next usage after arrival at the train destination. UPRR states that many trains operating along the UPRR network typically arrive at their destination within 48 to 72 hours; with the longest routes operating in an 84- to 96-hour time range. Daily inspections of DPU locomotives performed en route often take place on the main line and in close proximity to other main line live tracks. Train delay created by conducting these inspections can at times result in blocked crossings. These situations can pose an unnecessary safety risk to both the general public and crew members as well.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- **Website:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- **Fax:** 202-493-2251.
- **Mail:** Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
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Communications received by May 28, 2019 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

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**John Karl Alexy,**

*Deputy Associate Administrator Office of Railroad Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2019-0047]

#### Pipeline Safety: Potential for Damage to Pipeline Facilities Caused by Flooding, River Scour, and River Channel Migration

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA); DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of advisory bulletin.

**SUMMARY:** PHMSA is issuing this advisory bulletin to remind all owners and operators of gas and hazardous liquid pipelines of the potential for damage to pipeline facilities caused by severe flooding and actions that operators should consider taking to ensure the integrity of pipelines in the event of flooding, river scour, and river channel migration.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Operators of pipelines subject to regulation by PHMSA should contact the appropriate PHMSA Region Office. The PHMSA Region Offices and their contact information are as follows:

- **Eastern Region:** 609-771-7800  
Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland,

Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia

- **Southern Region:** 404-832-1147  
Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, and Tennessee
- **Central Region:** 816-329-3800  
Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin
- **Southwest Region:** 713-272-2859  
Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas
- **Western Region:** 720-963-3160  
Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming

Intrastate pipeline operators should contact the appropriate state pipeline safety authority. A list of state pipeline safety authorities is available at [www.napsr.org](http://www.napsr.org).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Severe flooding, river scour, and river channel migration are the types of unusual operating conditions that can adversely affect the safe operation of a pipeline and require corrective action under the Federal pipeline safety regulations.

Section 192.613(a) of the pipeline safety regulations (49 CFR parts 190-199) states that “[e]ach operator shall have a procedure for continuing surveillance of its facilities to determine and take appropriate action concerning changes in class location, failures, leakage history, corrosion, substantial changes in cathodic protection requirements, and other unusual operating and maintenance conditions.” Section 192.613(b) further states that “[i]f a segment of pipeline is determined to be in unsatisfactory condition but no immediate hazard exists, the operator shall initiate a program to recondition or phase out the segment involved, or, if the segment cannot be reconditioned or phased out, reduce the maximum allowable operating pressure in accordance with § 192.619(a) and (b).”

Likewise, § 195.401(b)(1) states that “[w]hen an operator discovers any condition that could adversely affect the safe operation of its pipeline system, it must correct the condition within a reasonable time. However, if the condition is of such a nature that it presents an immediate hazard to persons or property, the operator may