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To: [FOIA Metra](#)
Subject: Metra FOIA request regarding Nov. 9 incident in Mokena
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Dear FOIA officers;

I am a journalist with the Chicago Transportation Journal and with TRAINS magazine. Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.), I respectfully request the following:

A copy of the cab car outward-facing video from Metra train 506 immediately before, during and after reaching the 191st St. crossing on the Rock Island Line in Mokena on Nov. 9, supposedly around 8:45 am. The purpose of this request is to show the train's movement through the crossing at that time, whether gates were lowered and warnings lights activated, and how vehicle traffic responded. If this request needs to be defined more precisely, or more fully and/or accurately, please let me know.

As you know, FOIA requires an agency to reduce or waive duplication fees where the disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activity of government. As such, I may use the information as the basis for journalism advancing the public interest.

Therefore, I respectfully request a waiver of all duplication fees associated with this request.

I believe all the information I have requested is subject to public disclosure pursuant to the FOIA. If, however, you decide to withhold all or part of the requested information, I would like a detailed statement of the reasons for denial. I expect you to release all legally disclosable portions of otherwise exempt material.

As required by the FOIA, I expect a response to my request within five working days. Please provide the requested material by the most expeditious means possible, via email preferably, postal mail or fax.

If the material is the subject of another FOIA request, I ask that my request be piggybacked with this request and thus expedited and/or released as soon as possible.

If you have questions, please contact me. Thank you for your cooperation.

Regards and best wishes,

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