

Matt Krabacher grew up in north Idaho and was a regular rider of the Empire Builder Amtrak line. He is now a resident of Baker City in northeast Oregon and has been working with local communities to advocate for the restoration of the Amtrak Pioneer passenger rail line since 2023. In early 2024 he, and other members of his community, ran a regional petition to outline the needs, and express the desire, for restoration of passenger rail service to their area that was widely successful and was used as support for Oregon legislation to pursue the restoration of this service. He has been the Eastern Oregon Vice President on the Board of AORTA (Association of Oregon Rail and Transit Advocates) since January 2024.