

TAWS Train Approaching

Warning System



TAWS® is a simple, automatic and autonomous signaling solution aiming at improving safety by generating light & sound alarm at critical locations of a rail network (schools, community areas, populated neighborhoods, nonguarded crossings, tunnels, blind curves, etc.) to announce a train approaching. It is remotely controlled and can be monitored by traffic regulators.



Add Safety to the Track

Main Features

TAWS[®] is composed of:

- One or two stainless steel poles at each site equipped with beacon, solar panels, batteries, local intelligence and communication device(s)
- A central software to monitor in real time the position/speed of each locomotive and the working status of each TAWS pole
- Data communications devices (GPRS and satellite modem are standard, Tetra or VHF radio are optional extras)

On board locomotives (option 1):

- A specific software for the loco driver using his DMI/HMI display or a standalone Android device (smartphone/tablet/etc.)
- An intelligent GPS tracker on board each locomotive Alternatively (option 2):
- A tailormade interface with third party TCS (Train Control System) to know the geoposition of the trains

Innovations along the Track

Technical Specifications

Security

TAWS® pole main components:

Circuit board Microcontroller-based local intelligence with resilient logic firmware Light signal Class1 360° Super-LED flashing beacon Sound signal Adjustable high output siren SAT modem Satellite-cellular Communication Terminal Solar panel Solar 50W polycrystalline panel **Batteries** 12 volt 90Ah dry fit solar battery Regulator Solar charge IP65 controller

Anti-theft, anti-vandalism sensors



Robust, Efficient, Indispensable.

Main Characteristics

TAWS® has been designed to meet challenging operating conditions:

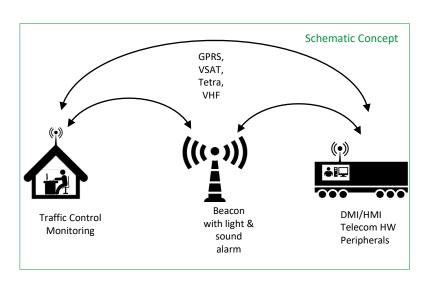
- State-Of-The-Art technology
- Autonomous: fully automatic operations, self-diagnostic features, no external cables
- Strategic: providing critical warning functionality to enhance operational safety
- Robust: anti-theft design, onboard technology, limited theft-prone track side equipment
- Energy-low consumer: powered by solar energy
- Innovative: remote control of local intelligent logic, individually customizable
- Connectivity: may integrate other operational systems such as:
 - ATRAC On-Board ®
 - Train control system ("TCS") providing safe line clearance/authority to proceed
 - Automatic level crossings
 - Motorized rail switches



Driver Smartphone/HMI showing next TAWS signals and their status

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TAWS® has been designed and is now produced by FUTURE RESOURCES sa, a Belgian company developing innovative and cost effective solutions for small to medium size railways in Africa and South America.

TAWS® and its portable version **MobiTAWS**® were developed in collaboration with railway engineering partners and railway operators.

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