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**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
WASHINGTON, DC 20423**

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 803X)

**CSX Transportation, Inc. – Abandonment Exemption –
in Boone County, W.Va.**

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) has expired in this:
(X) Notice of Exemption () Petition for Exemption () Regulated Abandonment

(X) NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

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In this proceeding, CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) filed a notice under 49 U.S.C. § 10502 seeking exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 10903 in connection with the abandonment of a line of railroad in Boone County, West Virginia. The rail line proposed for abandonment extends approximately 9.9 miles from milepost CLN 0.3 to milepost CLN 10.2 (the Line). OEA served a Draft EA for this proceeding on March 22, 2021 for public review and comment. In the Draft EA, OEA recommended no environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment. No comments were received on the Draft EA.

Conclusions

The Draft EA comment period has ended. Accordingly, OEA recommends that no environmental be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority. OEA believes that the proposed action would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

By the Board, Danielle Gosselin, Acting Director, Office of Environmental Analysis.