



Re: 170817079-STB-Cerro Gordo-Union Pacific-Proposed Abandonment and Discontinuance of Rockwell Industrial Lead -STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No-.327X)

Higginbottom, Daniel to: Jeremy M. Berman

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The documentation necessary to support an agency's finding of effect pursuant to section 106 can be found at 36 CFR 800. The SHPO has 30-days to respond to the federal agency's request for a review of their determination of an undertaking's effects upon historic properties.

Daniel K. Higginbottom, Archaeologist
Iowa State Historic Preservation Office

On Wed, Sep 20, 2017 at 2:31 PM, Jeremy M. Berman <jmberman@up.com> wrote:

Mr. Higginbottom,

Thank you for the email. Can you be more specific on what additional information you need from Union Pacific?

It's my understanding that the STB will provide the information requested in your August 25 email when it conducts its environmental/historic review. Please let me know if that is not correct.

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September 20, 2017

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Mr. Berman-

We have received your September 14, 2017 submission to our office including a copy of the Surface Utility Board filing docket AB-33 (Sub-No. 327X. Upon completing a review of its contents we find that it does not comport with documentation standards outlined at 36 CFR 800.11 and therefore does not provide sufficient information upon which our office can begin a formal agency review of this federal undertaking.

We did observe that two of the three bridges located within the proposed line abandonment appear to meet the 50-year age threshold for National Register consideration. The third bridge appears to be of a more recent design but may also fall within that age bracket.

As stated in our August 25 email to Ms. Sara Rief, we require additional substantive information along with the Surface Transportation Board's definitions of the project area of potential effect, scope, and determination of effect before we can begin a formal review.

Sincerely,

Daniel K. Higginbottom, Archaeologist
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On Fri, Aug 25, 2017 at 3:43 PM, Sarah J. Rief <sjrief@up.com> wrote:
Thank you. I will forward this to the UP attorney handling this abandonment and discontinuance .

Sarah J. Rief

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August 25, 2017

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Ms. Rief:

We have received your August 18, 2017 letter regarding the above-referenced federal undertaking. We provide the following response in accordance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and its implementing regulations 36 CFR 800.

We will require substantive information supporting the responsible federal agency's (STB) determination of effect for this undertaking (see 36 CFR 800.11 for applicable documentation standards).

Our office will commence a formal review once we have received the agency's request and relevant supporting documentation.

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