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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

Docket No. AB 290 (Sub-No. 405X)

NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY—ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION—
IN THE CITY OF CINCINNATI, OHIO AND HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Decided: November 6, 2019

Norfolk Southern Railway Company filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 C.F.R. part 1152 subpart F—Exempt Abandonments to abandon rail service over an approximately 0.64-mile rail line, from milepost CT 3.06 to milepost CT 3.70, including 2,868 feet of unmileposted runaround track located at milepost CT 3.49, in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Hamilton County, Ohio (the Line). Notice of the exemption was served and published in the Federal Register on October 10, 2019 (84 Fed. Reg. 54,716). The exemption is scheduled to become effective on November 9, 2019.

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) served an Environmental Assessment (EA) on October 15, 2019, solicited public comments, and issued a Final EA on November 1, 2019. No environmental or historic preservation issues have been raised by any party or identified by OEA. Accordingly, a finding of no significant impact under 49 C.F.R. § 1105.10(g) will be made pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1011.7(a)(2)(ix).

It is ordered:

1. Abandonment of the Line will have no significant effect on the quality of the human environment and conservation of energy resources or on historic resources.

2. This decision is effective on its service date.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Director, Office of Proceedings.