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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
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**Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub. No. 468X); BNSF Railway Company—Abandonment
Exemption – in Kootenai County, ID**

Dear Ms. Brown:

Please reference the STB decision served on November 27, 2009, in the above-referenced docket. Pursuant to the condition requiring BNSF to retain its interest in the line until completion of the Section 106 process, enclosed is a letter from the Idaho State Historical Society ("SHPO") stating its finding of "no effect" for purposes of compliance with Section 106 Review (36CFR800).

Therefore, BNSF requests that the Section 106 condition of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 470f, be removed.

If you have any questions, please call me at (817) 352-3394.

Sincerely,


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cc: Victoria Rutson, STB
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RE: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 468); BNSF Railway Company –
Abandonment Exemption – Kootenai County, Idaho.

Dear Ms. Clark,

Thank you for your letter of July 17, 2009, and the follow-up information and historic report regarding the abandonment of the 6.24 mile rail line in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Based on that information, neither the railroad route, nor the bridge at milepost 7.61, meet the eligibility criteria for the National Register of Historic Places. The proposed abandonment, therefore, constitutes a finding of "no effect" for purposes of compliance with Section 106 Review (36CFRPart800).

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

for Susan Pengilly
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer



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