

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
SECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

POST POST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN STB DOCKET NO. AB-55 (Sub-No. 699X)

December 2, 2009

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) has expired in this:

☒ Notice of Exemption ☐ Petition for Exemption ☐ Regulated Abandonment

☐ **NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED**

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SEA served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on October 16, 2009 for public review and comment. In the EA, SEA recommended one environmental condition and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment. On November 2, 2009, SEA issued a Post Environmental Assessment (Post EA) recommending that the condition recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority.

Comments

SEA received one comment after issuance of the Post EA. On December 2, 2009, CSXT submitted a letter from the Tennessee Historical Commission, Department of Environment and Conservation (State Historic Preservation Officer or SHPO) dated November 23, 2009 stating that there are no National Register of Historic Places listed or eligible properties affected by the proposed abandonment.

Therefore, SEA recommends that the section 106 historic preservation condition imposed in the October 16, 2009 decision and the Post EA be removed.

Conclusions

SEA recommends that the Section 106 historic preservation condition recommended in the EA and in the Post EA be removed.

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