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Subject: NSR - Abandonment Exemption, AB-290 (Sub-No. 415x) - Additional Responses to E&HR / NSR System Diagram Map Question
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Adam,

Diana Wood indicated that you are reviewing NSR's Abandonment Exemption in AB-290 (Sub-No. 415x). Please find two additional letters received from the NC and SC SHPOs attached.

On an unrelated note, NSR is looking for its last filed System Diagram Map, and I noticed that you are the contact for the STB's Railroad Map Depot. We have determined that NSR filed an initial System Diagram Map between March 24, 1997, and June 30, 1997, after NSR's acquisition of some of Conrail's lines. An amendment was then made on March 26, 2004, in SDM_290. However, neither of the records included the actual SDM. Is the actual SDM in the Board's archives?

Thank you,

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November 7, 2024

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Re: Abandon Norfolk Southern W railroad line from Milepost W 26.0, Zirconia North Carolina to Milepost W 57.3, Inman South Carolina, AB-290, Henderson and Polk County, 25-E-0000-0045, 25-E-0000-0067, ER 24-2155

Dear Mr. Plum:

Thank you for your letter of October 7, 2024, regarding the above-referenced undertaking. We have reviewed the submission and offer the following comments.

We have conducted a review of the project and are aware of no historic resources which would be affected by the project. Therefore, we have no comment on the project as proposed.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106 codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comment, contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919-814-6579 or environmental.review@dncr.nc.gov. In all future communication concerning this project, please cite the above referenced tracking number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Renee Gledhill-Earley".

for Ramona Bartos, Deputy
State Historic Preservation Officer

cc: Kadisha Molyneaux, N.C.S.C.H.

state.clearinghouse@doa.nc.gov



November 8, 2024

Scott Plum, Director
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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company, Proposed Abandonment of a 31.3-Mile Segment of Rail Line, draft Combined Environmental and Historic Report, Additional Information Greenville and Spartanburg County, South Carolina
SHPO Project No. 24-JS0428 Docket Number AB-290 (Sub. No. 415X)

Dear Mr. Plum:

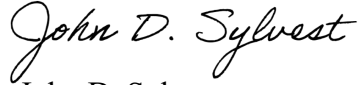
Thank you for your November 4, 2024 email providing additional information regarding the above referenced proposed undertaking that we provided initial comments for on October 30, 2024. We received pictures of the bridges on the rail line as well as a contact address for the STB as supporting documentation for this undertaking. The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is providing comments to the Surface Transportation Board (STB) pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800. Consultation with the SHPO is not a substitution for consultation with Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, other Native American tribes including those with state recognition, local governments, or the public. We will mail STP this and our prior letter.

Based on the description of the undertaking's Area of Potential Effect (APE) and the identification of historic properties within the APE, our office believes that no properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) will be affected by this project.

If archaeological materials are encountered during construction, the procedures codified at 36 CFR 800.13(b) will apply. Archaeological materials consist of any items, fifty years old or older, which were made or used by man. These items include, but are not limited to, stone projectile points (arrowheads), ceramic sherds, bricks, worked wood, bone and stone, metal and glass objects, and human skeletal materials. The federal agency or the applicant receiving federal assistance should contact our office immediately.

Please refer to SHPO Project Number 24-JS0428 in any future correspondence regarding this project. If you have any questions, please contact me at (803) 896-6129 or jsylvest@scdah.sc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John D. Sylvest". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

John D. Sylvest
Supervisor of Survey and Review & Compliance
State Historic Preservation Office