



Part II - AB 303 (Sub-No. 46X) - Wisconsin Central/Lake County, IL

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The second of three emails regarding the above-referenced WCL rail line abandonment.

- Rob

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kari Harris
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 2:18 PM
To: Tom Healey; Brian Buchanan; Dave Crader; Raymond Baker; Edd Baswell; Daniel Krause; Martita Mullen; Nathaniel Simpson; Tom Tisa; Michael Matteucci; Paul Sauter
Subject: FW: Waukegan Abandonment (UNCLASSIFIED)

All, below is an email from Mike Machalek, Senior Project Manager with the USACOE Chicago District, stating that there is no permit required for the abandonment. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the attached or the below email consultation.

Thanks.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Machalek, Mike J LRC [mailto:Mike.J.Machalek@usace.army.mil]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 2:06 PM
To: Kari Harris
Subject: RE: Waukegan Abandonment (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Yes, I concur with your analysis. If you are only removing track and ties from the existing RR bed, then we would have no concerns as there is no discharge of any material, and no permit or letter is required.

Thanks,

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Kari Harris [mailto:Kari.Harris@cn.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 12:11 PM
To: Machalek, Mike J LRC <Mike.J.Machalek@usace.army.mil>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Waukegan Abandonment

Hi Mike. I'm writing this email to consult your guidance regarding Wisconsin Central Ltd. abandoning approximately 2.5 miles of existing railroad tracks located from Dahringer Road down to near 10th Street, in Waukegan, Illinois. The proposed activity will include removing existing track and ties from the existing railroad ROW and embankment. There will be no clearing, grubbing, grading or vegetation removal, and the existing embankment will be left in place following removal of the tracks and ties. Can you please confirm that there would be no permit authorization under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act required for this proposed activity? We understand that any activity near federally regulated waters of the US, including wetlands, will be at our own risk; but as long as there is no discharge of fill material within federally regulated waters of the US, including wetlands, no US Army Corps of Engineers permit is required.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I appreciate your response.

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