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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Finance Docket No. 32934

BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY ANI) THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND
SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY--CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION
EXEMPTION--STOCKTON. CA

Decided: October 31, 1996

In the above-entitled proceeding, no environmental or historic preservation issues have been raised by any party or identified by the Section of Environmental Analysis. Accordingly, a Finding of No Significant Impact under 49 CFR 1105.10(g) will be made pursuant to 49 CFR 1011.8(c)(10). Notice of the exemption was served by the Board and published in the Federal Register (61 FR 48730) on September 16, 1996. No petitions to stay or for reconsideration were filed by the due date for those petitions. Accordingly, this decision constitutes final Board action under 49 CFR 1150.36, and the exemption will be effective on November 25, 1996.

It is ordered:

1. Construction of the involved rail line will have no potentially 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, David M. Konschnik, Director, office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary