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March 25, 2009

Ms. Victoria Rutson  
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Washington DC 20423-0001

In future correspondence please refer to:

Log: 090208-55-STB  
Property: BNSF Railway Abandonment Exemption AB-6 (Sub #464X)  
Re: NO Adverse Effect

Dear Ms. Rutson:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP). The above referenced project has been reviewed on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer under provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (as amended) and 36 CFR Part 800. My review is based upon documentation contained in your communication.

I concur with Kenneth Blodgett that the current project as proposed will have "NO ADVERSE EFFECT" on National Register eligible or listed historic and cultural resources. If additional information on the project becomes available, or if any archaeological resources are uncovered during construction, please halt work in the area of discovery and contact the appropriate Native American Tribes and DAHP for further consultation.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Subject RE: BNSF Railway abandonment exemption AB-6 (Sub-No.  
464X)

Kenneth,

Thank you for helping me close the loop on this. This is exactly what I  
needed. Hope all is well over on your side of the world.

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DAHP's new office hours! 7:00am to 5:30pm Monday through Thursday

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

From: Kenneth.Blodgett@stb.dot.gov [mailto:Kenneth.Blodgett@stb.dot.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2009 11:23 AM

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Subject: BNSF Railway abandonment exemption AB-6 (Sub-No. 464X)

In the Environmental Assessment for AB-6 (Sub-No. 464X) (BNSF's proposed  
abandonment of a 5.60 mile rail line located between milepost 5.00 at  
Kennydale and milepost 10.60 at Wilburton in King County, Washington),  
we determined that the line itself may be eligible and recommended a  
condition for BNSF to take no steps to alter the historic integrity of  
all sites and structures on the right-of-way that are eligible for  
listing or listed in the National Register until completion of the  
Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C.  
470f.

Based on additional information received from BNSF, STB has since  
determined that the proposed abandonment in AB-6 (Sub-No. 464X) will  
have "No Adverse Effect" on the eligible line pursuant to 36 CFR  
800.5(b).

Please provide your concurrence if you agree. If so, we will remove the  
Section 106 condition attached to this decision.

Thanks for you help.



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