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Mr. Terence Hynes
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RE: SHPO Case No. 08-1481
Central OR & Pacific RR (CORP) Abandonment Project
Multiple legals, Various, Coos/Douglas/Lane County

Dear Mr. Hynes:

We have reviewed the materials submitted on the project referenced above, and we do not concur with your determination that the property is ineligible for the National Register. We believe that the rail line is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as a linear district in accordance with 36 CFR Part 60.4.

Although we believe the property is eligible, we also believe that a no adverse effect finding is warranted for the abandonment of this line if the Central Oregon and Pacific Railroad, Inc. does not plan to remove any of the features of the rail line. If removal is planned, then additional documentation and coordination should occur with this office to mitigate for the adverse effect.

Our response here is to assist you with your responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (per 36 CFR Part 800). Please feel free to contact me if you have further questions, comments or need additional assistance.

Sincerely,

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