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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: KANSAS CITY & VICKSBURG SO. R.R.  
C/O WILLIAM A. MULLINS  
2401 PENNSYLVANIA AVE NW- #300  
WASHINGTON DC 20037

DATE: NOV 07 2007

FROM: STATE CLEARINGHOUSE FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS

SUBJECT: REVIEW COMMENTS - Activity:  
KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY CO. & VICKSBURG SOUTHERN RAIL-  
ROAD, INC. INTEND, RESPECTIVELY, TO ABANDON AND DISCONTINUE  
SERVICE OVER APROXIMATELY 4.25 MI. OF RAIL LINE LOCATED IN  
VICKSBURG AND WARREN COUNTY, MS - (STB DOCKET # AB-103 (SUB-  
# 21X); DOCKET # AB-1016X). ENVIRONMENTAL/HISTORIC REP. INCL  
State Application Identifier Number MS070731-001

Location: WARREN

Contact: WILLIAM MULLINS

The State Clearinghouse, in cooperation with state agencies interested or possibly affected, has completed the review process for the activity described above.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS COMPLIANCE:

- We are enclosing the comments received from the state agencies for your consideration and appropriate actions. The remaining agencies involved in the review did not have comments or recommendations to offer at this time. A copy of this letter is to be attached to the application as evidence of compliance with Executive Order 12372 review requirements.
- Conditional clearance pending Archives and History's approval.
- None of the state agencies involved in the review had comments or recommendations to offer at this time. This concludes the State Clearinghouse review, and we encourage appropriate action as soon as possible. A copy of this letter is to be attached to the application as evidence of compliance with Executive Order 12372 review requirements.
- The review of this activity is being extended for a period not to exceed 60 days from the receipt of notification to allow adequate time for review.

COASTAL PROGRAM COMPLIANCE (Coastal area activities only):

- The activity has been reviewed and complies with the Mississippi Coastal Program. A consistency certification is to be issued by the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources in accordance with the Coastal Zone Management Act.
- The activity has been reviewed and does not comply with the Mississippi Coastal Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION  
OFFICE OF BUDGET AND FUND MANAGEMENT

October 8, 2007

Ms. Nancy D. Thomas  
City Attorney  
City of Vicksburg  
P.O. Box 150  
Vicksburg, Mississippi 39181

RE: Proposed abandonment of 4.25 miles of railroad track (Kansas City Southern Railway Company and Vicksburg Southern Railroad, Inc.) and potential conversion as a pedestrian trail, MDAH Project Log #09-082-07, Warren County

Dear Ms. Thomas:

We have reviewed your letter, received on September 19, 2007, concerning the above referenced project. In our previous determination, we found that no cultural resources would be adversely affected. To clarify, that determination included the three bridges identified in the KCSR Environmental Impact Report. As the bridges were found to be ineligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, the City of Vicksburg would be under no obligation to maintain these bridges. Please note, however, that our determination of effect concerned only the abandonment of the railroad track. We were not aware of the potential application by the City of Vicksburg to convert the abandoned rail line to a pedestrian trail. Should the city decide to pursue the trail project, the City, upon taking ownership of the abandoned rail line, should submit a new cultural resources assessment to our office for review, pursuant with our responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR Part 800. Another assessment would be necessary because of the change in scope of work.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (601) 576-6940.

Sincerely,

  
Jim Woodrick  
Review and Compliance Officer

FOR: H.T. Holmes  
State Historic Preservation Officer