

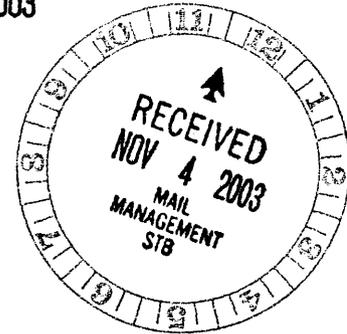
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Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282

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Ms. Victoria J. Rutson  
Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001



Dear Ms. Rutson:

The area in question on the map with the Environmental and Historic Reports for the proposed rail line abandonment of Providence and Worcester Railroad Company for 10.8 miles of rail line from Southbridge through Dudley and Webster, Massachusetts into Thompson, Connecticut, in Worcester County, Massachusetts and Windham County, Connecticut, STB Docket No. AB-254 (Sub-No. 7X), has been reviewed within the areas of National Geodetic Survey (NGS) responsibility and expertise and in terms of the impact of the proposed actions on NGS activities and projects.

As a result of this review, 1 geodetic station marker have been identified that may be affected by the proposed abandonment; a listing of this marker is enclosed. Additional information about these station markers can be obtained via the Internet or NGS CD-ROM. A fact sheet for these two data retrieval methods is enclosed. If there are any planned activities which will disturb or destroy these markers, NGS requires not less than 90 days notification in advance of such activities in order to plan for their relocation.

If further information is needed for this geodetic marker, contact Mr. Frank C. Maida. His address is NOAA, N/NGS2, Room 8736, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282, telephone: 301-713-3198, fax: 301-713-4324, e-mail: Frank.Maida@noaa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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THE SOUTHBRIDGE RUNNING TRACK

IN WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS AND

WINDHAM COUNTY, CONNECTICUT

DOCKET NO. AB-254 (SUB-NO. 7X)

1 GEODETIC CONTROL MARK IN THE PROPOSED ABANDONMENT AREA

PIDS	DESIGNATION	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
MY0761	H 9	N420238	W0715311



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