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Re: R.J. Corman Railroad Property Abandonment in Scott, Campbell and Anderson Counties, Tennessee, AB-1296

Dear Ms. Brown:

As organizations that promote low-impact uses of natural areas, we are promoting the idea that the rail line being proposed for abandonment by RJ Corman might be developed as a biking and hiking trail. Alternatively, we are hopeful that if the rail line is maintained for commercial use that it is done in a responsible way that doesn't detract from the natural beauty of the New River Valley. For example, we are concerned that some might be interested in using the line for storing out-of-use railcars. Does use as a rail car storage facility constitute continuation of rail service as required for rail lines whose ownership is transferred under the auspices of the Surface Transportation Board?



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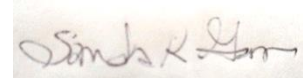


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