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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
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FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Docket No. AB 33 (Sub-No. 346X)

Union Pacific Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption –
In Kootenai County, Idaho

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) has expired in this:

() Notice of Exemption (X) Petition for Exemption () Regulated Abandonment

(X) NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

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In this proceeding, Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) filed a petition under 49 U.S.C. § 10502 seeking exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 10903 in connection with the abandonment of a line of railroad in Coeur D’Alene, Kootenai County, Idaho. The rail line proposed for abandonment is part of the Coeur D’Alene Industrial Lead and extends approximately 1.16 miles between milepost 1.09 and milepost 2.25 (the Line). OEA served a Draft EA for this proceeding on November 17, 2020 for public review and comment. In the Draft EA, OEA did not recommend any environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

Conclusions

The Draft EA comment period has ended, and no conditions are recommended by OEA. Accordingly, OEA believes that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

By the Board, Victoria Rutson, Director, Office of Environmental Analysis.