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**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
WASHINGTON, DC 20423**

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 804X)

**CSX Transportation, Inc. – Abandonment Exemption –
in Frederick County, Md.**

ABANDONMENT TYPE

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

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

(X) NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

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In this proceeding, CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) filed a notice of exemption under 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 seeking exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 10903 in connection with the abandonment of a line of railroad in Frederick County, Maryland. The rail line proposed for abandonment extends approximately 0.59 miles from Val Sta. 1728+23 to Val Sta. 1759+25 on the Old Main Line Subdivision of CSXT's Baltimore Division. The Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) served a Draft EA for this proceeding on May 7, 2021 for public review and comment. In the Draft EA, OEA recommended no 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, Danielle Gosselin, Acting Director, Office of Environmental Analysis.