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**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
WASHINGTON, DC 20423**

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Docket No. AB 1073 (Sub-No. 1X)

**Alabama & Florida Railway Company, Inc. – Abandonment Exemption –
In Geneva, Coffee, and Covington Counties, Ala.**

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, Alabama & Florida Railway Company, Inc. (A&F) filed a notice with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) under 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 seeking exemption from the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 10903 in connection with the abandonment of a line of railroad located in Geneva, Coffee, and Covington counties, Alabama. The rail line proposed for abandonment extends approximately 42.9 miles from milepost 581.3 in Andalusia to milepost 624.2 in Geneva, and passes through the towns of Sanford and Babbie, and the cities of Opp, Kinston, and Samson. The Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) served a Draft EA for this proceeding on December 23, 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.