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To: [Tabachnick, Alan](#)
Subject: Please preserve the Embankment!
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Dear Mr. Tabachnick:

I recently learned that the STB is considering authorizing the abandonment of the Harsimus Branch without historic preservation conditions.

Such a decision is potentially - even likely - to lead to the demolition of the Embankment, a historical feature of our downtown Jersey City neighborhood, beloved by me and many others in my community.

The public has had no information about this matter unless they happen to subscribe to an "Embankment Coalition" newsletter, and even then, they would not be aware of the imminence or quality of this decision.

I understand your agency was supposed to have informed and engaged the public in this process at its earliest stages, and that the process is now in a late stage of review without your agency having done so.

I am certain that if all members of our community were informed about what is currently happening, they would - like me - be voicing their concern that a valuable historical construction is in danger of being lost.

Please correct this situation as soon as possible and help us preserve this significant part of our city's industrial and transportation past.

I would appreciate your posting this email as an Environmental Comment, as I am not familiar with your system.

Sincerely,

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